



The Fifth Bi-Annual Meeting of the Elijah Board of World Religious Leaders, Oxford (UK), March 2012

On the final day of the meeting, leaders were asked to reflect on what had been accomplished. They were asked to consider three questions:

- 1. What does Interreligious Friendship mean to you?***
- 2. How do you practise Interreligious Friendship?***
- 3. What messages and practices of Interreligious Friendship can you take back from this meeting to your community?***

Some chose to respond independently to each question while others integrated their answers.

Imam Sajid



Honest conversation between two people of different cultures, based on unconditional love and care in true praise of God. It may start with a cup of tea or sharing a meal but turn into a loving relationship. This personal conversation requires commitment to do something together for the common good.

I practice this in my home town based on a principle mentioned in the Holy Quran 41:34 that 'evil and goodness cannot be equal. If we change evil with goodness then the person who hates can become friend and intimate.'

I share with my community the rich experience I had here with the Elijah Interfaith Institute 'Friendship Across Religions' conference, held here at the Brahma Kumaris Global Retreat Centre near Oxford and try to build my connection with Elijah on more strong bonds of mutual respect and love.