

# TREASURERS NOTES

FOR THE FEAST OF 'ALA'/LOFTINESS

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## Treasurer's Talking Points

- ★ \$1.4 million was contributed to the National Fund in January 2010.
- ★ In January 2010, 37 new contributors gave directly to the National Fund for the first time.
- ★ "Hope is welling up in my anxious, overburdened heart that the North American Baha'i Community may yet emerge triumphant over the prevailing crisis, demonstrate its capacity to preserve its hard-won prizes and redeem its pledges through a further display of its qualities of unconquerable faith, unbreakable solidarity, dauntless valor and heroic self-sacrifice, and vindicate its right to primacy in the world community of the followers of Baha'u'llah." ~Shoghi Effendi



National Fund Contributions



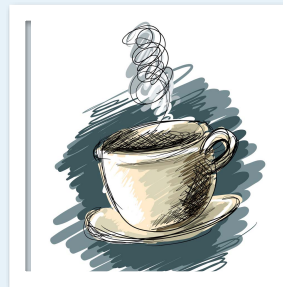
Chilean Temple Initiative Contributions

## Vignettes of Giving

We were very touched by this unique act of devotion and sacrifice displayed by this believer:

"The bi-monthly money orders this past year have been from the coffee lattes I gave up on my Saturday mornings so I could give something extra to the Fund."

*(From a letter sent with a contribution)*



Hi Kids!

Have you ever heard the word "capacity"? Let's try it this way: How fast can you walk? Or have you ever tried holding your breath for a few seconds? Your speed for walking or the amount of time you can hold your breath is called your "capacity"- it is something you can easily do. Well, that is the same thing with giving to the Funds and learning prayers! Different people can give different amounts - the important thing is the level of sacrifice involved. It's the same with prayers: some of us know many prayers and some of us know a few prayers, but what matters is that we can pray from our hearts whenever we need to.

Click on the link below and try out these capacity exercises. There's also a bonus question that you can answer before you color the drawing in the activity.

<http://www.bahaitreasurer.us/files/liang-feast-of-ala-activity-1-1.pdf>

Enjoy!