October Events

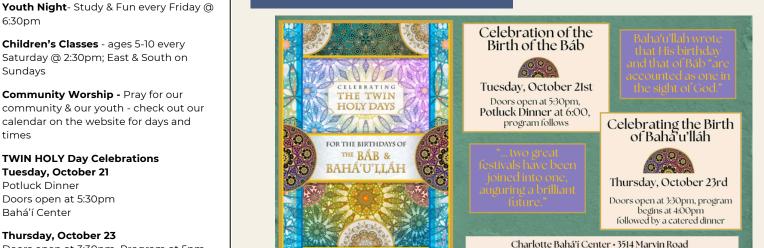
6:30pm

Sundays

times

CHARLOTTE AREA BAHÁ'Í CLUSTER COMMUNTIY

FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE WORLD



Potluck Dinner

TWIN HOLY Day Celebrations

Doors open at 5:30pm Bahá'í Center

Tuesday, October 21

Thursday, October 23

Doors open at 3:30pm, Program at 5pm Catered dinner Bahá'í Center

Overcoming Racism - October 26 2pm-6pm **Environmental Justice** Presentation by: cleanAIREnc Bahá'í Center

Cluster Reflection Gathering

November 8th 11am-3pm

For more info:

Everett: 612-986-8619 Ade: 336-999-1401

www.bahaicharlotte.com

November 8th

Cluster Reflecting Gathering

Saturday, 11am-3pm Charlotte Bahá'í Center

Stories from around the cluster, nuclei and neighborhoods, friends and networks of friends, sharing the learnings - through stories - from the cycle ending October 31, 2025 and plans for the upcoming cycle which ends January 31, 2026!



TWIN HOLY DAYS

Tuesday, beginning at sunset, Bahá'ís everywhere will take part in the joyous and radiant first celebration of the Twin Holy Days — the birthday of the Báb, the founder of the Bábi Faith.

Thursday's Twin Holy Days celebration honors the birthday of Bahá'u'lláh, the Prophet and Founder of the Bahá'í Faith – whom the Báb, Bahá'u'lláh's predecessor and Herald, came to announce.

During both of these days - from sunset on October 22st to sunset on the 23rd - the world's Bahá'ís and their friends and families will celebrate and joyously commemorate the twin birthdays of the prophets who brought the Bahá'í teachings to humanity – remembering, as the Báb wrote, that "God desireth not to see ... any soul deprived of joy and radiance."

The Báb was born on the first day of the lunar month named Muharram, and Bahá'u'lláh was born on the second day, while the Báb's birth took place in 1819 and Bahá'u'lláh was born two years earlier in 1817. Bahá'ís observe the two holy birthdays as one continuous 48hour "day," as Bahá'u'lláh proclaimed: "... two great festivals have been joined into one, auguring a brilliant future."

Like the observances of the birthday of any prophet of God multiplied by two, these Bahá'í holy days mark one of the happiest and most delightful times of the year all across the global Bahá'í community.

In a sense, however, Bahá'ís aren't just celebrating the birthdays of two messengers of God on the Twin Holy Days – they're also celebrating the coming of a new global consciousness and the dawn of world citizenship. Even before the advent of Bahá'u'lláh and the Bahá'í teachings of the oneness of religion and the unity of humanity, the Báb wrote:

"Become as true brethren in the one and indivisible religion of God, free from distinction, for verily God desireth that your hearts should become mirrors unto your brethren in the Faith, so that ye find yourselves reflected in them, and they in you. This is the true Path of God, the Almighty, and He is indeed watchful over your actions."

You Never Know

You never know how a small act can open the door to something wonderful.

A Bahá'í child in fifth grade had one main teacher and several who rotated in for science, music, and art. One afternoon, her science teacher walked the class out to the buses, calling out cheerfully, "Bye! See you tomorrow!"

The little girl grinned and said, "No you won't—I'm not coming tomorrow."

Puzzled, the teacher asked why.

"Tomorrow is the Birth of the Báb," the child replied matter-of-factly. "I don't go to school on Bahá'í Holy Days."

The teacher hesitated. "Bahá'í? What's that?"

The girl thought for a moment, then said, "It's a world religion about unity and the oneness of humanity. Religion is kind of like school—God sends different teachers, like Jesus, Moses, and Buddha, to help people learn more each time. You should ask my mom."

And the teacher did. She came to firesides, began learning, and within a few months became a Bahá'í herself—teaching children's classes and bringing her guitar to gatherings.

All of it began with one child's joyful observance of a spiritual admonition.

When we honor the Holy Days, we invite unexpected blessings. You never know what hearts may be touched or what beautiful things might unfold.

@cltbahai | bahaicharlotte.com

Charlotte Bahá'í Center

3514 Marvin Road

704.900.1757