

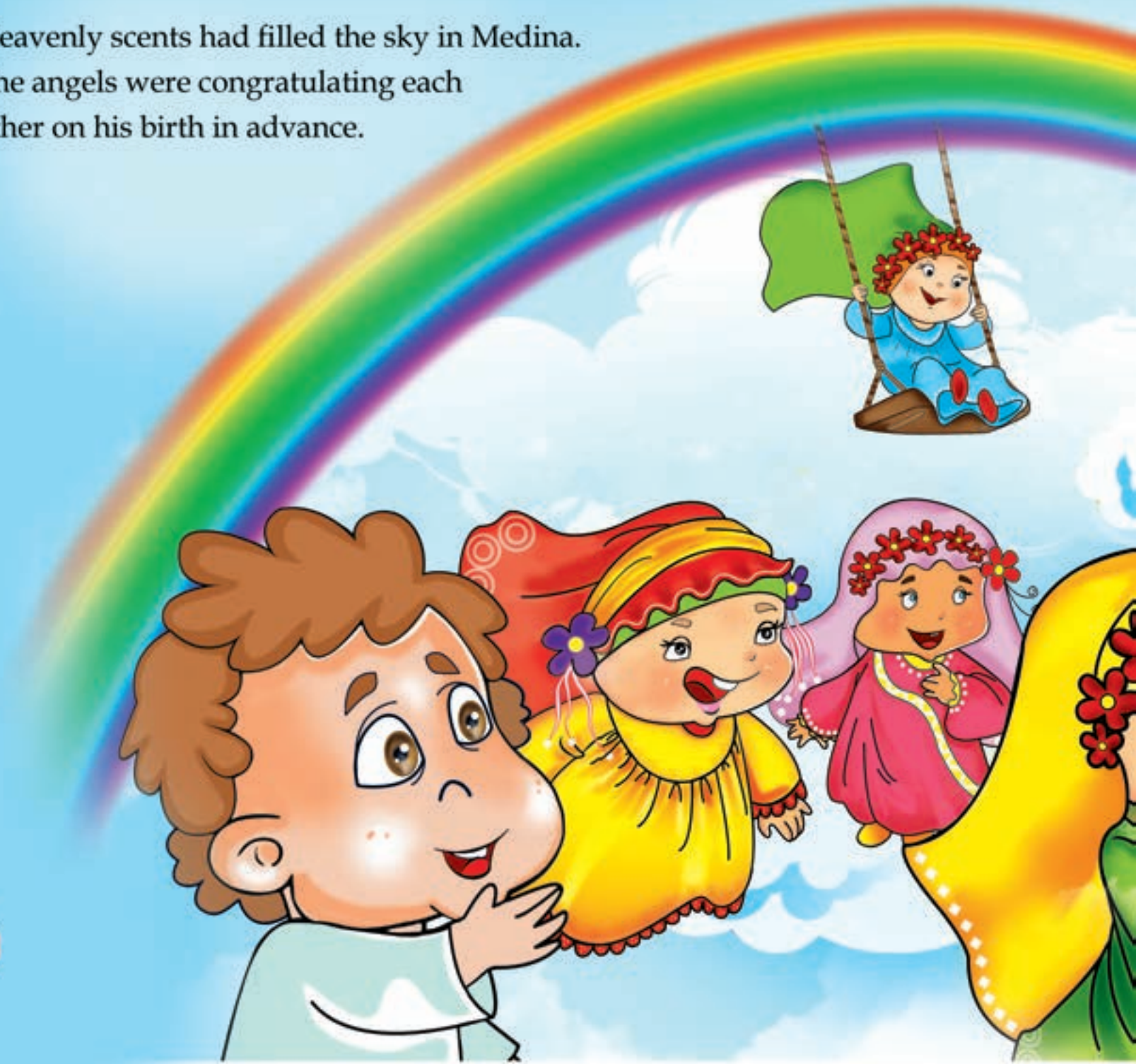
In the name of God

# The Birth

Razavi  
Rose  
Garden

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Heavenly scents had filled the sky in Medina.  
The angels were congratulating each  
other on his birth in advance.







It was winter, but the fragrance of spring was everywhere. When the sun, pale and cold, rose up from behind the black mountains of Medina, it saw an even brighter light than itself, illuminating and beautifying all over the place more than ever.







The spring seemed to have arrived earlier. The fields had been filled with beautiful flowers. Angels were throwing flowers over the place at the baby's feet.

The angels washed his pure body with heavenly-scented rose-water and carried him on their wings down to Earth.

When Imam al-Reza (Peace be upon him) was born, his honorable father, Imam al-Kazim (A.S.), was the happiest of all and told his respectable wife, "O Najma! I congratulate you. This is a sign of your honor in God's view."

Imam al-Kazim (A.S.) recited adhan in the baby's right ear and iqama in his left ear.







The baby opened his lovely eyes and the first thing he saw was his gracious father's face and the first thing he heard was his chanting "Allahu Akbar" and "La illaha illa-Allah."



Imam al- Kazim (A.S.) named the baby 'Ali, after his own honorable forefather Imam 'Ali (A.S.). He is also called "Reza."

