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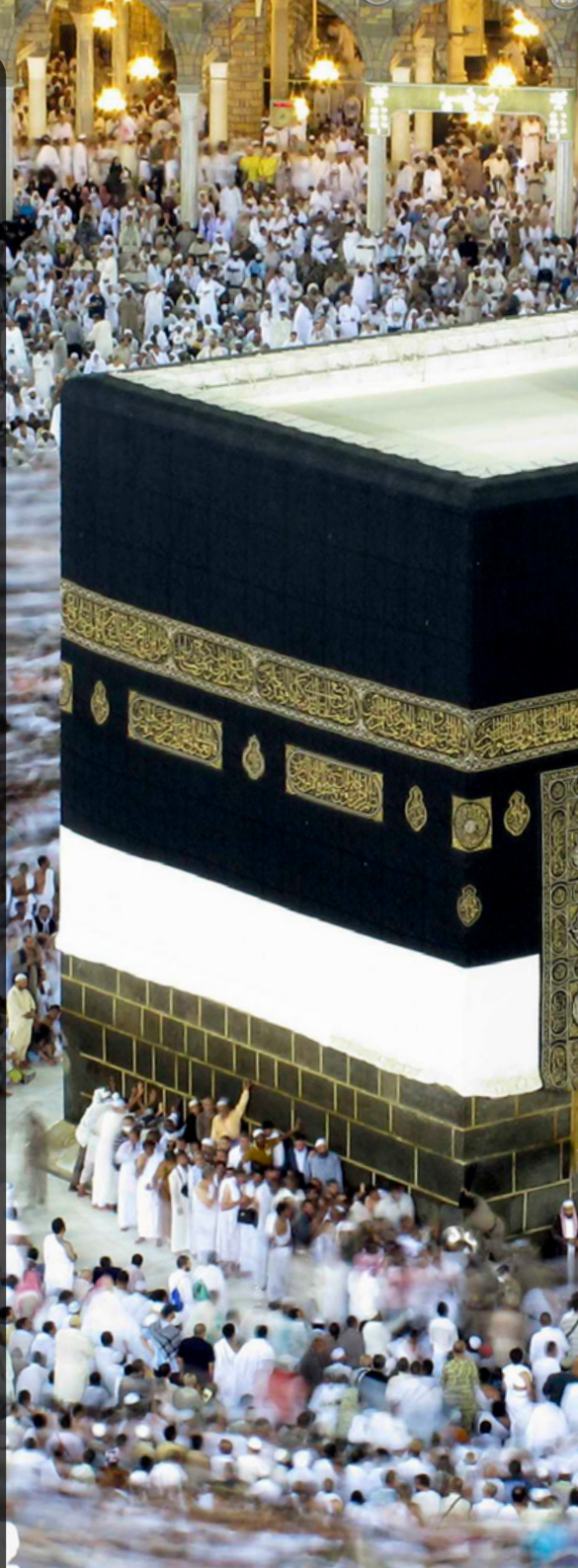
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In the name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.

Every individual on this planet, in one way or another, seeks knowledge whether they admit it or not. As the Universe, space and time were created by the Creator, knowing these dimensions or knowledge was also created. People that include experts, professors, physicists, Biologists etc. keep discovering and keep getting stunned by the amazing secrets of life and the universe. How about knowing the one who created all these life secrets and created knowledge in the first place? At times you feel sorry for those who have attained some materialistic knowledge and have missed out on knowing the Creator who has granted them the knowledge they have.

Allah SWT says in Suratur-room "They know only the outside appearance of life of this world and they are heedless of the hereafter" (30:7). This explains the reason why they use the word "mystery" when it comes to determining the initiator of this vast universe. The mystery will be resolved in the hereafter. That is when they see the truth and the facts. For believers there is no mystery as they have peace of mind in knowing the creator. A fact that should not be ignored is that believers will be on different levels of peace of mind and happiness based on how much they know about the Creator Allah SWT. Knowing Allah SWT as He should be known leads to fearing him as He should be feared which is an Obligatory duty of a believer. Allah SWT Says in Surat Aali-Imran, "O you who believe fear Allah as He should be feared...." (3:102). Responding to this command can be fulfilled and achieved when a believer knows Allah SWT as He should be known. That is why Allah SWT says in Surat Faatir, "It is only those who have knowledge among His slaves that fear Allah." (28).

It was amazing when one of the Muslim scholars quoted this verse in front of Atheist Scientists to praise them in regard to the knowledge they have. There is no doubt that the verse is referring to those who know Allah SWT as He should be known. Knowing Allah, includes knowing his Attributes as He SWT has revealed it in his book and through his messengers. It also means knowing His dealings with his servants, knowing His reward and punishment, which also means knowing His mercy, forgiveness and torments. Always remember, Allah SWT is to be known according to what He has revealed and not by what people invent or assume about Him

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Knowing Allah

"Indeed, in the creation of the heavens and the earth and the alternation of the night and the day are signs for those of understanding." (3:190)

By Prof. Dr. Mohammad Ilyas, Ph.D.

"Lo! In the creation of heaven and earth, and in the difference of night and day, are tokens (of His sovereignty) for men of understanding, such as remember Allah standing, sitting, and reclining" (Qur'an 3:190- 91)

"Allah it is who has made the sea of service to you that the ships may run thereon by His command, and that you may seek of His bounty, all that you may be thankful, and has made of service to you whatsoever is in the heavens and whatsoever is in the earth - it is all from Him. Lo! Herein verily are signs for people who reflect" (Qur'an 45:12-13)

A Muslim should look into the mystery of creation in order to strengthen one's faith and utilize it for the benefit of society. We see that the Muslims have an urge, to study physical sciences and applied technology as a link to their belief in the Creator of nature. That is why Islam helped produce great minds in science and technology, who made extraordinary contributions over a continuous period of some 800 years as explained in the book, "Glimpses of Muslim Genius in Science and Technology" by M. & B Ilyas (A.S. Noordeen, Kuala Lumpur). Also in, "The Legacy of Islam" by Sir Thomas Arnold and Alfred Guillaume stated:

"The spread of Islamic knowledge to Europe sparked, or atleast helped to spark, the Renaissance and scientific revolution of the 17th century. It is highly probable that, but for the Arabs, modern European civilization would never have arisen at all"

Why science?

Much of our modern activities relating to economic well-being, social development, health, societal happiness, and national security depend upon harnessing the fruits of science and technology. In turn, science is supported through good economic setting. The educational element is part and parcel of the economic game plan.

Muslims need to be productive 'science people' and entrusted with good technology for effective and happy living. The material prosperity of the Islamic World and the welfare of its people depends on the development of industry and commerce which is not possible without adequate scientific and technological progress. In the 7th century C.E., when the world was worshiping nature, Islam taught Muslims the lesson of conquering it and for the first time in history they initiated the process.

Place of knowledge in Islam

Seven hundred and fifty verses of the Qur'an (almost one eighth of the Book) exhort believers to study Nature, to reflect, to make the best use of reason in their search for the 'ultimate' and to make the acquiring of knowledge and scientific comprehension part of the community's life. Indeed, Islam, under the Qur'anic guidance has encouraged scientific explorations to unravel the Truth about the origin and organized structure of nature at macro and micro scales (M. & F Ilyas, The LORD: The Universe, The Quran and Evolution, A S Noordeen).

"The Qur'an enjoins the believer and the unbeliever alike to examine nature for signs of the creator's handiwork, evidence of his existence, and his goodness."

The Qur'an is primarily a book of guidance including the basics of a code of life for mankind and to enable mankind to differentiate between right and wrong. The Qur'an is not a book of science but it has reference to many scientific things which came to be explored scientifically much later than when they appeared in the Qur'anic revelations. In this way, scientific explorations help to establish the truth of Qur'an's Divine Origin, as the Word of Allah, the Lord.

The Prophet of Islam PBUH emphasized that the quest for knowledge and sciences is obligatory upon every Muslim, man and woman. This is the starting point for scientific knowledge with which any serious thinking in Islam should begin. The second point is reinforced by Maurice Bucaille in, The Bible, the Qur'an and Science:

"there is not a single verse in the Qur'an where natural phenomena are described and which contradicts what we know for certain from our discoveries in sciences."

Muslim fervor in sciences

Within a short period of hundred years after the Prophet's death, the Muslims had made it an important task to master the then known sciences. Founding institutes for research studies like Baitul Hikmah, they acquired an absolute command and ascendancy, in the sciences that lasted for a long period of nearly one thousand years. Hence, Muslim community was quite receptive and enthusiastic about scientific endeavor and established various educational institutions like Madrasah, Baitul Hikmah, Libraries, etc.

Making a study of nature is to discover the Creator and His creations. History testifies to the fact that Muslims made great advances in many branches of science as highlighted by Philosopher, historian, Bertrand Russle:

"Our use of the phrase 'the Dark Ages' to cover the period from 600 to 1000 marks our undue concentration on Western Europe. In China, this period included the time of the Tang dynasty, the greatest age of Chinese poetry, and in many other ways a most remarkable epoch. From India to Spain, the brilliant civilization of Islam flourished. What was lost to Christendom at this time was not lost to civilization, but quite the contrary."

Modern basis of science

Islam is the creator of modern basis of science. This is because science is the study of nature initiated by Islam through monotheism removing nature from Divinity. Prior to that, even though man has been observing nature ever since man's existence, he has been unable to study it much until the more recent times of Muslim Epoch. According to Professor Wahiduddin, it was the dominance of animism (shirk) in ancient times that hindered man from studying nature, discovering its forces and utilizing them.

The animism is the worship of nature. In the old days – and by many communities up to present times - everything on earth and in the sky, the trees, the stars, the sun, all that seemed extraordinary, was regarded as being encompassed with divinity. Such ideas dominated the human mind throughout much of the inhabited world before Islam.



Nature open for study

By the removal of nature as an object of worship, it became natural to make nature as an object of investigation and mastery. As a result, Muslims were ready to unravel the mysteries of how nature works and lead to the phenomenal growth of science and attendant applications by way of technology soon after. W. Durrant (The Story of Civilization) says: "only at the peak of history has a society produced, in an equal period, so many illustrious men – in government, education, literature, philology, geography, history, mathematics, astronomy, chemistry, philosophy, and medicine – as Islam in the four centuries between Harun – al Rasheed and Averroes."

Since the Qur'an is the Word of God and it has reached us without any change, and science is the Work of God, there can not be any conflict between the two provided we understand each correctly (see Unity of Science and Religion, by M. & A Ilyas). Indeed, scientific discoveries reveal the resplendent beauty and clear truth of the Qur'an. In accordance with the teachings of Qur'an, Prophet Muhammad laid great stress on learning as we see from some of his Sayings: "The acquisition of knowledge is a duty incumbent on every Muslim, male and female." "He who leaves home in search of knowledge walks in the path of Allah."

A deep reflection on the foregoing discussion is important in the context of present day scenario when Muslim community is lagging far behind the others in the world in the arena of science and technology. In this situation, the teachings of Qur'an and Prophet Muhammad can play a very important role in inspiring a desire to master the sciences by the Muslims. In this, Muslim religious scholars (in Arabic: Ulamaa') can play an important role in creating the awareness that Islam definitely encourages science learning. Some one is reported to have said:

"The Qur'an not only draws attention of the Muslims towards pondering over the universe but it also declares this work to be a part of religion and gives hope of spiritual reward for this effort. If Muslims show negligence and slackness in this respect, they may be considered as clearly turning away from the commandments of Qur'an."

We conclude this discussion with a comment by Professor Farkhonda Hassan, University of Cairo: "The Qur'an enjoins the believer and the unbeliever alike to examine nature for signs of the creator's handiwork, evidence of his existence, and his goodness. Reason is revered as one of the most important of God's gifts to men. The examination of nature led historically into a scientific perspective and program. The teachings of the Holy Prophet of Islam emphasize the acquiring of knowledge as bounden duties of each Muslim from the cradle to the grave, and that the quest for knowledge and science is obligatory upon every Muslim man and woman."

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DAILY DUA'

THE WEAPON OF THE BELIEVER

By Abu Imran

Allah, the one who created all that we see and don't see; The one who set forth our life and provided for us; The one who has complete control of everything! The one we need to get to know better. Where better to start than with Him? Let us begin our quest to know Allah by asking Him to increase us in knowledge:

Rabbee ziddnee ilma.

'My lord increase me in knowledge'

This is the best starting point. Keep this one regular any time of day, and this one for the morning:

Allaahumma innnee 'as'aluka ilmaan naafi'an, wa rizqan tayyiban, wa 'amalan mutaqabbalan.

'O Allah, I ask You for knowledge that is of benefit, a good provision, and deeds that will be accepted'. (Recite in Arabic after the Fajr prayer.)

Now we have these, the only place to look for knowledge of Allah is the Quran. One of the best surahs to start with this is the one most Muslims learn first, suratul Ikhlas (112). This surah is pure knowledge of Allah,

Bismillaahir-Rahmaanir-Raheem. Qul Huwal-lahu 'Ahad. Allaahus-Samad. Lam yalid wa lam yoolad. Wa lam yakun lahu kufuwan 'ahad.

'With the Name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful. Say: He is Allah (the) One. The Self-Sufficient Master, Whom all creatures need, He begets not nor was He begotten, and there is none equal to Him.'

Keep these as regular as possible and continue your journey to Him.



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6 STEPS TO GET YOU CLOSER TO ALLAH (SWT)

Editor: Khalil Abdul-Malik

There is nothing greater on earth than getting closer to Allah Subhanahu wa ta'ala. Verily, it is our only purpose in life and the only way to achieving true happiness and success in this life.

Here are some key steps to becoming closer to Allah Azawajal:

1. Keep Making Du'a (Supplication)

We forget that we need Allah's help and strength to guide us. We have to know that nothing changes without the strength and power of Allah Subhanahu wa ta'ala. Constantly ask Allah for guidance and help. Never EVER stop!

2. Stay Away from Poisons

You need to get all the poisons out of your life! Poison has many forms. Fix your heart by staying away from anything that Allah SWT doesn't love. If you are around friends that make you sin and make you disappoint Allah Azawajal, then you need to get them out of your life.

"An ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure."

"O you who believe! Enter into Islam whole-heartedly. And do not the footsteps of shaytan, for he is a clear enemy to you." [2:208]

3. Get to Know Allah (SWT) Through His 99 Beautiful Names

Allah Azawajal has so many beautiful names and attributes. Get to know our truly wonderful creator, who is 'The Most Merciful', 'Most Compassionate', 'Most Generous'.

Allah azawajal is the one who gave us our eyes, heart, arms, legs, sustenance, food, water, families, spouses, children, and so much more!

Towards a Productive Ummah!

4. Dhikr - Remembrance of Allah (SWT)

"...for without doubt in the remembrance of Allah do hearts find satisfaction." (Surah Al-Rad, 13:28)

This is the key to a happy life! Remembering Allah Azawajal is essential in getting closer to Him. Make vikr (remembrance) and tasbeeh (praise) all day long!

Constantly:

- Say Astaghfirullah for Allah to forgive you and erase your sins.
- Say Alhamdulillah for everything you have! and Allah will also give you more.
- Look outside your window and say Subhan'Allah about His beautiful creations.

Your heart will be alive with the warm remembrance of Allah Subhanahu wa ta'ala.

5. Follow the Sunnah of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH)

By following the Sunnah of our beloved Prophet (PBUH) we will gain the love of Allah SWT and a love for His beloved Messenger (PBUH). You will receive the wonderful barakah of Allah and feel light on this earth. Allah will bless you with the physical, and spiritual benefits of such wonderful actions.

6. Stay Connected to the Qur'an

The Qur'an is just amazing! Get to know the deep meanings, read and recite it daily, constantly listen to beautiful Qur'an recitations. You're prayers will feel just simply beautiful. The Qur'an is truly a source of inspiration. DON'T let go of this amazing blessing that Allah has bestowed upon us!

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EXPLANATION OF THE HOLY QUR'AN

"Say, 'He is Allah, the One. Allah is Besought of all, needing none. He neither begot anyone, nor was begotten. And no one will ever be equal to Him' (Al Ikhlās)"

Oneness of Allah

Verse 1 - This verse directs and commands Prophet Muhammad PBUH to convey Allah's message to mankind. He comprises all the attributes of perfection and is free from, or above, or overrides all kinds of imperfections. The epithets "ahad" and "wahid" are both applied to Allah which are normally translated as 'One' but the word ahad includes an additional sense which signifies that Allah is beyond composition, plurality and resemblance, which means that He is neither composed of any elements, nor does He have any partner, nor has He any resemblance to anything. This is a response to those who asked about Allah whether He is made of gold or silver or pearls. This concise statement covers all aspects of discussion on Allah and His attributes.

Verse 2 - The word "samad" bears several literal meanings. Therefore, the Qur'anic scholars have assigned different meanings to this verse. Tabarani in his Kitab-us-Sunnah, has concluded that it originally it refers to 'the chief who has no superior and to whom the people turn for the fulfillment of their desires and needs; thus all people depend on him, but he does not depend on any one.' [Ibn Kathir].

Allah is above having Children and Procreating

Verse 3 - This verse responds to those who had questioned about the ancestry of Allah. There is no analogy between Allah, the Creator, and His creation. While His creation comes into being through the biological process of procreation, Allah Himself has no children, nor is He the child of anyone.

Verse 4 - The word "kufuwan", as used in the original, means an 'example', a 'similar thing', 'one equal in rank and position'. Thus this verse means that there is no one in the entire universe, nor ever was, nor ever can be, who is similar to Allah, or equal in rank with Him, or resembling Him in His attributes, works and powers in any degree whatsoever.

A Comprehensive Concept of Allah's Oneness

Surah Al-Ikhlās negates all types of incorrect belief systems, and imparts a comprehensive lesson of Divine Oneness. Among the unbelievers, several types may be identified. There is a group that denies the very existence of God, the atheists. Another group believes in the existence of God, but denies that His existence is 'Necessary'. A third group believes in God's existence and in His existence as 'Necessary' but denies His attributes of perfection. A fourth group believes in God's Necessary Existence and in His attributes of perfection, but denies Oneness of God and believes in and worship more than one gods and goddesses, and thus practices polytheism. Verse 1 refutes vehemently all such false belief systems. Verse 2 refers to the practices of those who do worship Allah alone, but believe that there are also other helpers who can fulfill their needs, desires and ambitions. The Divine attributes "samad" denounces outright any such notion. A fifth group ascribes children to Allah and the phrase "I am yalid" [He neither begot anyone] repudiates this notion of theirs in the strongest terms.

Reference: Tafseer Maariful Quran by Mufti Muhammad Shafi Usmani (Grand Mufti of Pakistan)

HADITH

On the authority of Abu Hurayrah (ra), who said that the Prophet (pbuh) said:

"Allah the Almighty said:

'I am as My servant thinks I am. I am with him when he makes mention of Me. If he makes mention of Me to himself, I make mention of him to Myself; and if he makes mention of Me in an assembly, I make mention of him in an assembly better than it. And if he draws near to Me an arm's length, I draw near to him a fathom's length. And if he comes to Me walking, I go to him at speed.'

[Buhkari]

Ibn al-Qayyim (ra) said:

"Most people – in fact, all of them except those protected by Allah – assume other than the truth, and assume the worst. Most people believe that they are deprived of their rights, have bad luck, deserve more than what Allah gave them, and it is as if they are saying: 'My Lord has wronged me and deprived me of what I deserve,' and his soul bears witness to this while his tongue denies it and refuses to openly state this.

And whoever digs into his soul and comes to know its ins and outs will see this in it like fire in a triggered explosion...And if you dig into anyone's soul, you will see that he blames fate and would rather have something else happen to him than what actually did, and that things should be this way or that...So, dig into your own self: are you protected from this?

If you are safe from this, you have been protected from something great. Otherwise, I do not see that you have been saved."

[Zad al-Ma'ad]

The Friendly Reminder.

'And remind, for indeed the reminder benefits the believers' (51:55)

By Abu Abdullah

How many times has a servant sought to be honored by attaining something of the world; wealth, status or anything that they may love; and Allah removed it from them out of His mercy so that it does not harm them in their deen.

The slave then is persistent in their depression out of their ignorance and lack of awareness of their Rabb. If they only knew in reality what was kept hidden from them, and that Allah only kept it from them for their own betterment, they would have willingly accepted Allah's decree, praised Him, and thanked Him; for Allah is kind, loving, and gentle to His close servants

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The Prophet (peace be upon him) said: "Convey from me even if one ayah (verse) for it may be that the one being informed will comprehend better than the one listening (at present)." (Al-Bukhari)

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Amazing Conversion Story

Abu Aameena Ibn Adel

I used to work with an Australian non-Muslim man around 12 years ago. He was intelligent, well read, and a free thinker. Through his own means he knew the truth about the situation and Palestine. His character and honesty amazed me, to the point that I thought he would be a perfect candidate with Islam. I resolved that at the first opportunity I would speak to him about Islam, and I waited for an opportunity to come up for me to do so.

We continued to work together for around one year, and an opportunity never came up for me to speak to him about Islam (or so I thought at the time). Our lives took us in separate directions, and I lost touch with him for years. Around 6 years later I saw him by chance in the city. "Assalamu Alaikum! I'm Muslim now!"

Amazed and ecstatic I said "Alhamdulillah! Congratulations! How did this happen?!" He replied "A friend gave me some DVD's by Harun Yahya, and it all made so much sense that I became Muslim"

I was extremely happy for him, and we went our separate ways again. In the coming months I would think a lot about this series of events, and I couldn't help feeling that I had lost the chance to earn a lot of reward by speaking to this brother about Islam when I had the chance. From that day, I resolved that I would no longer wait for an opportunity to arise to speak about Islam – I would try to create opportunities for people to ask me about Islam instead.

For example, during Ramadan, if I was offered food, I would say that I was fasting. Naturally, a non-Muslim would ask "What is fasting?" and I would have an opportunity to talk to them about Islam, at their request, without forcing anything on them. If it was time to pray I would excuse myself and tell the people I was sitting with that I was going to pray, naturally they would ask me why, and then I had another chance to talk about Islam at their request. Alhamdulillah I continued in this way for 6 more years, and I always regretted not speaking to that first brother about Islam when I had the chance.

Just two weeks ago, an elderly woman came to IICSA seeking information on Islam. She sat and had dinner with the sisters there, while I sat separately with the men. The whole night passed and I had not spoken to her. Just before heading home, I greeted her. She told me her son gave her a Quran a year ago and she had been reading it and believes it whole heartedly. She told me I knew her son, I asked what his name was. Jon, she said. I said "I know a lot of Jons... which one?"

She said her sons last name, and I was stunned to realise it was the same brother I was working with 12 years ago. I immediately sat with her and we talked for some time. Allah SWT guided her then and there to say her shahada and embrace Islam on the spot. With tears in my eyes I called her son, and I said "Jon, I have some good news for you, your mom is Muslim now, Alhamdulillah. You should congratulate her" and I handed the phone to Jon's mother, who now had tears in her eyes too.

So do not wait for an opportunity to speak about Islam to someone. Just practice Islam openly, proudly, and without arrogance, and you will see that people will just ask you about Islam themselves.

Comparative Religion

By Adam Perrotta

Asalamu Alaikum Warahmatullahi wabarakatu

A man like Prophet Muhammad PBUH being clearly mentioned in other scriptures indicates him being easily recognizable and genuine, as the Glorious Qur'an states: "Those who follow the Messenger PBUH, the Prophet who can neither read nor write whom they find written with them in the Taurât and the Gospel, it is they who will be successful" (Qur'an 7:157).

John 16:12-13 records Jesus Christ PBUH speaking to his noble followers about truth: "I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come."

Maurice Bucaille in 'The Bible, The Qur'an and Science' commented on page 112: "The two Greek verbs 'akouô' and 'laleô' (John 16:13) therefore define concrete actions which can only be applied to a being with hearing and speech organs. It is consequently impossible to apply them to the Holy Spirit." (Emphases added)

The only human who received a complete truth (Islam) was Prophet Muhammad (saws). "And this Qur'an is not such as could ever be produced by other than Allah (swt) (God) but it is a confirmation of which was before it..." (10:37) "This is the truth from your Lord, so be not of those who doubt." (3:60)

Peace be upon those who follow the guidance.



is LIFE JUST A GAME?

Imagine you wake up in a huge factory that you've never been in before. You see thousands of people working away, and all the doors and windows are shut and sealed off.

People work, sleep, and spend all their time inside this factory. In this situation, what would you think to yourself? "Now I'm here I might as well join in with everyone else and play the game of life," or would you think, "How did I get here? What lies outside the factory? Why have I been put here?" This example is like our existence here on earth. We human beings have been thrown into existence without any choice, so questions such as Where did I come from? What am I doing here? and Where am I going after I die? keep popping up in our minds. We forget these basic questions in our daily routines, but ignoring them will not make them go away.

As the Qur'an eloquently explains, "There truly are signs in the creation of the heavens and earth, and in the alternation of night and day, for those with understanding, who remember God standing, sitting, and lying down, who reflect on the creation of the heavens and earth: 'Our Lord! You have not created all this without purpose ...'".

Chapter 3 Verses 190 – 191.

Purpose gives us that deeper meaning. So we may now ask, what is our purpose?

The Islamic concept of purpose is dependent upon two basic statements:

- 1) It's rational to believe in God
- 2) There are good reasons to believe that the Quran is the word of God

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Smoking Kills

By Dr. Zaki Ibrahim. MBBS (Adel), FRACGP

Smoking is a major cause of cardiovascular disease (heart, stroke and blood vessel disease). Smoking kills more than 15,000 Australians a year (more than 40 Australians each day) and nearly 40 per cent of all deaths from smoking are due to cardiovascular disease.

Smoking damages the heart and blood vessels. The heart relies on a generous supply of oxygen and nutrients from the two coronary arteries and their branches. Over the years, fatty deposits (called plaque or atheroma) can build up inside one or more of the coronary arteries (a process called atherosclerosis). This narrowing of the arteries reduces the flow of blood to the heart and increases the risk of heart attack. Smoking speeds up the clogging and narrowing of coronary arteries.

A heart attack occurs when a blood clot forms at a narrowed point in a coronary artery and suddenly blocks the flow of blood to the heart. If the artery remains blocked, the lack of blood supply permanently damages the area of heart muscle supplied by that artery. The severity of the heart attack depends on how much heart muscle is permanently damaged.

Smoking also speeds up atherosclerosis and damages other blood vessels. This 'peripheral arterial disease' can reduce blood circulation, particularly to your hands and feet, and result in blood clots, gangrene and even amputation.

Cigarette smoke contains thousands of chemicals including:

1. Nicotine – an addictive drug that affects brain and muscle activity and increases your blood pressure, making your heart work harder
2. Carbon monoxide – a poisonous gas that replaces oxygen in your blood, making your heart beat faster
3. Tar – a sticky substance that coats your lungs like soot in a chimney, making it harder for you to breathe, and that contains dozens of chemicals that cause cancer

Quit smoking and improve your health.

Within one day of quitting smoking:

1. Your heart rate slows down and your blood pressure drops slightly
2. Carbon monoxide is out of your blood.
3. Oxygen levels in your blood rise.

Within two to three months:

1. Your ability to smell and taste improves.
2. Your lungs regain the ability to clean themselves, so you can cough up mucus.
3. The blood flow to your hands and feet improves, so they won't get so cold.

Within one year:

1. Your risk of heart attack is greatly reduced.
2. If you smoked a packet of 25s a day, you would have saved over \$4,500.

Within two to six years:

1. Your risk of developing coronary heart disease returns to a similar level as that of a non-smoker (Information quoted from heart foundation)

I restrained myself from commenting on Islamic point of view on smoking. I am sure, many of us aware of the most popular opinion among ulama' in regard to this issue. My urge to my fellow Muslims who are still smoking, please consult your local doctor to discuss the options that are available to help you quitting this habit.

You don't
need Quitline,
Only Allah.



IICSA Arabic School

Supplicate to Allah!

By Muhammad Gadi

Du'a, or supplication, is the essence of our worship as Muslims – that is because it involves acknowledgement of the greatness of Allah in His names and attributes, as well as portraying ourselves as the weak, humble, powerless and needy in front of Allah the Lord of the world. We also know from the Quran and the teachings of the Prophet Muhammad (Peace be upon him) that Allah loves those who ask Him.

For Muslims, du'a is a critical factor of a person's success in this world – whether it is in our studies, work, or any aspect in life – as long as they are not prohibited. When someone supplicates to Allah before studying or while facing difficulties in learning, he has truly asked the All-Knowing (Al-'Alim) for help. Allah knows everything that is between the heavens and the earths, whatever happened and what will happen infinitely, and He has the power to do all things. Du'a is, therefore, the best weapon for success as students.

There are many examples of supplication from the Quran that we can say when studying.

"[Rabbi zidni 'ilman] O Lord increase me in knowledge" (Taha 20 : 114) – Say this many times and be sincere.

Prophet Musa PBUH was once instructed by Allah to meet and speak to the Pharaoh as he had exceeded all limits of justice. Although he was sent by Allah, he still asked Allah to make his mind at ease and make his task easy. He said, "O my Lord! Expand my heart for me, and make my matter

easy for me, and loosen the knot from my tongue, that they might understand my words..." (Taha 20: 25-27)

Parents also have a major role in the success of their children studies, especially religious and Quranic studies. Apart from being a good role model, they must teach their children the manners of studying – including diligence and respect to the teachers. Parents must always emphasise that to achieve success their children need to work hard and to always invoke Allah for help – these two must go hand in hand. Also, parents need to be aware that their children need their sincere du'a. Ibrahim PBUH, the father of all prophets, gave the example how he as a parent never forgets to include their children in his supplication. He said, "My Lord! Keep this city secure, and save me and my sons from worshipping idols." (Ibrahim 14:35). He also said, "My Lord! Make me keep up prayer and from my offspring too. O our Lord, and accept my supplication." (Ibrahim: 40)

The best supplications are those mentioned in the Quran and in the traditions of the Prophet Muhammad PBUH. However, we can make supplication in whatever language we prefer as Allah understands everything. Most importantly, we need to make a habit to rely in Allah (together with our humanly maximum effort) and supplicate to Him sincerely – this will give the ease and peace of mind in all that we do in sha Allah.



When you ask Allah,
ask with conviction!

Sisters Section



The Importance of knowing Allah

By Sowaibah Hanifie

The stories of converts turning to Islam are often most entertaining, as well as inspirational. They bring tears to our eyes, and uncover what some of us born Muslims may have taken for granted.

Often we will hear or read these stories, while crying silently in front of our laptop screen, the key reason for their return to their Lord is to fill the hollow hole in their hearts. This emptiness cannot be filled with anything except the true understanding of their creator (reword).

We Muslim women undoubtedly experience the most racism in the community, stereotyped as submissive and oppressed beings with no mind and no voice. We go out into the gossip hungry society that hunt for ways to make us feel like outsiders, comparable to ghosts, in the midst of citizens who are apparently feminists and advocates for human rights. However, I can tell you now, as a young Muslim girl growing up in a western society, we are anything but! It is the value of knowing our Lord and the weight of it that we are able to put on a hijab, burqa or simply dress modestly. We are the true feminists, as we brave

bullets of headlines such as, "Are all Muslims terrorists" and are still able to walk with our heads held high and beliefs even higher.

The importance of knowing Allah encourages bravery in us as He says, "I am here as your keeper" (Surah Al An 'am - 104). And who better to shield you than The Creator Himself? This knowledge of Al- Muhaymin, The Guardian, empowers us with an undying strength not only spiritually but also physically. Muslim women are courageous as they face those who unremittingly victimize and degrade them. It is their awareness of Allah and His faith and guardianship over them that inspires them to rise and express themselves to a world that refuses to listen.

The Quran states, "Truly with every hardship comes ease" (Quran 94:6) which gives us with hope that after our daily struggles, our deepest pains and greatest grief, there will be relief. It pushes us through absolute darkness, knowing that Allah has pledged to us that this comfort will come. It encourages us to be patient and endure, an anti depressant as such, that no pharmaceutical drug could ever compete with.

And how could we forget, "for We are nearer to him then his jugular vein" (Quran 50:6) Allah reminds us, giving serenity to our hearts in the knowledge that we are never alone. We turn to him on our knees, hands cupped in the air seeking His help, His refuge. It's the knowledge of Al Basit, The Reliever, that will cure us like no other psychology session ever could. This life is a test of hardship and toil and comprehending the significance of Allah is the answer to all our problems.

The importance of knowing Allah is incomparable to the knowledge that we learn in school. This knowledge doesn't make one vain, but instead humbles one to understand the incomprehensible greatness of God and the love He has for His servants. Someone on the street, on the news or on the Internet may call you a terrorist, a towel head or ask you to go back home.

But dear sisters, know the importance of Allah and that He is pleased with you for knowingly exposing yourself to such hardship for His sake, and that is the true Jihad.

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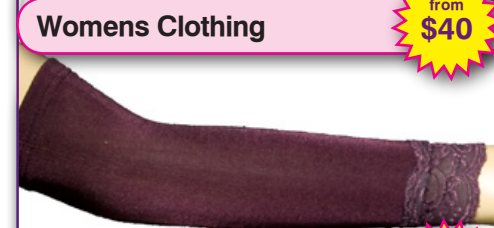
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June - Rajab/Shab'an

	Day	Fajr	Sunrise	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghrib	Isha
1	Mon	6:05	7:28	1:20	4:39	7:14	8:30
2	Tue	6:06	7:28	1:20	4:38	7:13	8:28
3	Wed	6:07	7:29	1:19	4:37	7:11	8:27
4	Thu	6:08	7:30	1:19	4:36	7:10	8:26
5	Fri	6:08	7:31	1:19	4:35	7:08	8:24
6	Sat	6:09	7:31	1:19	4:34	7:07	8:23
7	Sun	5:10	6:32	12:18	3:33	6:06	7:22
8	Mon	5:11	6:33	12:18	3:32	6:04	7:20
9	Tue	5:11	6:34	12:18	3:31	6:03	7:19
10	Wed	5:12	6:35	12:17	3:31	6:02	7:18
11	Thu	5:13	6:35	12:17	3:30	6:01	7:17
12	Fri	5:14	6:36	12:17	3:29	5:59	7:15
13	Sat	5:14	6:37	12:17	3:28	5:58	7:14
14	Sun	5:15	6:38	12:16	3:27	5:57	7:13
15	Mon	5:16	6:39	12:16	3:26	5:55	7:12
16	Tue	5:17	6:39	12:16	3:25	5:54	7:10
17	Wed	5:17	6:40	12:16	3:24	5:53	7:09
18	Thu	5:18	6:41	12:15	3:23	5:52	7:08
19	Fri	5:19	6:42	12:15	3:22	5:50	7:07
20	Sat	5:19	6:42	12:15	3:21	5:49	7:06
21	Sun	5:20	6:43	12:15	3:20	5:48	7:05
22	Mon	5:21	6:44	12:15	3:19	5:47	7:04
23	Tue	5:22	6:45	12:14	3:18	5:46	7:02
24	Wed	5:22	6:46	12:14	3:17	5:44	7:01
25	Thu	5:23	6:46	12:14	3:16	5:43	7:00
26	Fri	5:24	6:47	12:14	3:15	5:42	6:59
27	Sat	5:24	6:48	12:14	3:14	5:41	6:58
28	Sun	5:25	6:49	12:14	3:14	5:40	6:57
29	Mon	5:26	6:50	12:13	3:13	5:39	6:56
30	Tue	5:26	6:50	12:13	3:12	5:38	6:55

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2	Thu	5:28	6:52	12:13	3:10	5:36	6:54
3	Fri	5:28	6:53	12:13	3:09	5:35	6:53
4	Sat	5:29	6:54	12:13	3:09	5:34	6:52
5	Sun	5:30	6:54	12:13	3:08	5:33	6:51
6	Mon	5:30	6:55	12:13	3:07	5:32	6:50
7	Tue	5:31	6:56	12:13	3:06	5:31	6:49
8	Wed	5:32	6:57	12:13	3:06	5:30	6:49
9	Thu	5:32	6:58	12:13	3:05	5:29	6:48
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12	Sun	5:34	7:00	12:12	3:03	5:27	6:46
13	Mon	5:35	7:01	12:12	3:02	5:26	6:45
14	Tue	5:35	7:01	12:12	3:02	5:25	6:44
15	Wed	5:36	7:02	12:12	3:01	5:24	6:44
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5 Week Program

SUMMER SCHOOL

MAKING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS BENEFICIAL!

Alhamdulillah, the summer school is a project for boys and girls that has been running for three years consecutive. Over the 5-week holidays, the curriculum is designed to educate the younger generation on a broad spectrum of Islamic knowledge and understanding. The syllabus is shaped to ensure each child develops an understanding of fundamental topics such as Aqeeda, Quran, Arabic reading, Seerah and Dua. Also, newly introduced into the curriculum this year was a "practical" session in which all children visited the masjid daily to learn the basics of wudu, salah and cleanliness. Every student received books on Islamic studies, Dua memorization, Arabic reading and Quran based on their class and level of understanding. Homework was also allocated weekly, for students to work at home with their parents to understand the key concepts derived from each subject.

Arabic reading was strongly emphasised throughout the curriculum for students to become familiar with the Arabic language and grammar so by time they can effectively read the Quran independently.

At the end of each week the students also experienced a "fun day" which consisted of activities such as swimming, picnics and various other outdoor activities. Finally, the graduation at the end of the year was held at the Goodwood community hall and it summed up the program with the parent and teacher feedback, which enabled parents to be up to date with their child's behaviour and progression throughout the semester. Also, live performances were conducted by the students along with giveaway prizes, show bags and participation certificates that were awarded to the students.

The summer school puts focus on planting seeds for the future generation by emphasizing on faith education which links the child to realize the principals of Islam and foundations of creed, manners, worship and rulings. Surrounding the children in an Islamic environment facilitates them to develop Islamic manners and ethics. MashaAllah, the sight of seeing the masjid full of young children learning about Allah, softens your heart and makes you feel hope towards the future of Islam. Inshallah, the program will continue to expand and improve with feedback from you as a community.

We ask Allah to accept and put His blessings in this work. Ameen

New Initiative

HIFZ SCHOOL

The Hifz School is an initiative that was only introduced this year as an incentive to place more focus on memorizing the Quran. Over an intense program in the holidays the classes were run daily from Monday to Friday from 9am – 3pm, at the Adelaide Masjid. Both boys and girls, who were competent in reading the Quran, had to memorize as many pages as possible with the assistance of their teacher. Mash Allah, the top student from the school memorized over 20 pages. The idea is to place more emphasis on raising children who can competently read the Quran and highlight the importance of the Book of Allah in the lives of our younger generation. As the Prophet (saw) said: "The best of you are those who learn the Quran and teach it." (Bukhari)

Inshallah, the Hifz School will be running as a generic program throughout the year. There are two sessions for the morning and afternoon, both for boys and girls on Saturdays. For your child to register, contact IICSA administration.



Youth Event

THE AMAZING RACE ADELAIDE

By Jaad Mawlawi

Alhamdulillah for the first Amazing Race in Adelaide. Our aim was to provide situations which would enable our Muslim youth to refine various skills of theirs such as time management, cooperation, patience and resilience. The contestants were required to meet us at the Adelaide Entertainment centre for the first leg of the race. The event began with a briefing, Dhuhr prayer took place and the event began!

The first chapter of the race unfolded radically with an intense training drill led by brother Sam Binetti involving the contestants to exert every ounce of energy they had. Once the first checkpoint was cleared contestants received clues hinting at the destination of their next clue. The nine teams were now scattered along various parts of the race. Each checkpoint required skill, thought and patience.

Towards the end, the contestants were physically and emotionally drained. Then finally they received their final clue of the amazing race reading "Race to the oldest mosque in Adelaide". At this point only two teams were left in the race and it was a close run to the finish with only a minute difference between the teams. Once all the teams had been gathered food was provided by swinging bowl and highway pizza. Once everyone's bellies were full the prizes were awarded to the winning team each contestant receiving a Samsung galaxy tab 2!



Open Minded Society

By Dr Zaki Ibrahim

"You need to be open minded," we are both told and tell others. This has become the common line to say to anyone who disagrees with our opinions. It is obvious that if someone doesn't share our own views then they must be narrow-minded, right?

Rasulullah (peace and blessings be upon him) said: "You know more about your own worldly affairs." (Narrated by Bukhari and Muslim) Islam is a simple religion and provides flexibility to its people to voice out their opinions especially in worldly affairs such as war, administration, agriculture, economy and so forth.

As Muslims need to look at the guidance of Allah and his messenger (peace be upon him) and not answer the above questions according to our own ideas. There is no doubt that the Qur'an encourages thinking as mentioned many places in the quran.

"Do you not think?" (Surah Saffaat 37:138)
 "Do they not reflect?" (Surah Al-Ar'aaf 7:184)
 "And when they are told to follow what Allah has revealed, they respond, 'no, we will follow what we found our forefathers doing.' Even though their forefathers did not understand nor were they guided," (Surah Baqara 2:170)

At the same time, the Qur'an makes it quite clear that Allah and his messenger need to be obeyed at all times and there is no room for opposing the Qur'an and Sunnah based on our own logic, as is clear in the many following verses,. For an example: "Oh you who believe, obey Allah and his messenger and the people of authority from you, and if you dispute in any matter then refer it to Allah and his messenger, if you truly believe in Allah and the Last Day..." (Surah Nisaa 4:59)

Unfortunately today, being open minded is very loosely defined and is used to attack anyone who doesn't see or consider our viewpoints, even if our viewpoints are flawed or deviant. Based on the above verses, we can define the Islamic limits of keeping an open mind as follows:

- 1) We should have an open mind towards anything which is not related to the religion.
- 2) There is no room for differences in issues explicitly stated in the Qur'an and Sunnah and agreed upon by Islamic scholarship
- 3) Keep an open mind when dealing with legitimate differences of opinion

Modern culture is all about freedom to do as one pleases and accepting everything as open to discussion. Muslims, however, should realize that our religion is one of Uboodiyah (servitude) and Islam (submission) to the Creator of the Heavens and earth, and considering viewpoints that go against His explicit commands is not acceptable, even if people call us narrow-minded for doing so.

Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem

*To Dr. Zaki Ibrahim,
 Our Friend,
 Our Support,
 Our Brother.*



For the first time, we are short on words for how we feel. We do not wish to thank you nor reward you for anything you have helped with, because we wish that you receive your reward completely from the One who rewards, the Most Generous.

However, all we wish for is two things.

Firstly, that you do not forget us in your dua, as you are in ours.

And secondly, that Allah keeps you and us steadfast on the path of Dawah and that we meet again in the place of eternal bliss.

*We truly love you for the sake of Allah,
 Your brothers at IICSA*

Saudi Community

By Wael Ali Holbah

Assalam Alaikom Wa Rahmatu Allah Wa Barakatu

The Saudi community in Adelaide will be quite active this month.

A large welcome dinner is taking place for new Saudi students who are coming to get their educations here in Adelaide. The dinner is free of charge, welcoming our brothers and sisters who are studying everything from Bachelor's degrees to PhD's.

There will also be group soccer matches against teams from different universities, including UniSA, Adelaide Uni, and Flinders. These games are a great opportunity to meet new people, network, and participate in a healthy activity.

We also organize tutoring for various subjects so that we can support those who need a little more help with difficult subjects.

All in all we will have our work cut out for us, but there is nothing more rewarding than meeting and supporting our brothers and sisters and helping them to feel included in our community.

Malaysian Community

M Syahrul Fitri Zawawi
 Head of ISMA South Australia

"I'm expecting you to do your best," said the boss. "As long as you do your best, I'll be satisfied." Yousof is an excellent worker, but the boss was always unsatisfied with Yousof's performance. "Is this really your best?" he asked. "Well, yes," Yousof answered, "but I can tell you're not happy with it. I've been working so hard. I don't sleep at night and I work during weekends. But you're always unsatisfied."

"You've worked so hard, Yousof," the non-Muslim boss explained, "but I feel something is missing." Adelaide has welcomed Malaysian Muslim newcomers mostly university students. Typically, students study, study and study. However students who keep themselves at home studying don't always perform their best in exams. Students who fully focus to achieve measurable goals and practice Islam can contribute more than people who never let their nose leave the grindstone or their ears leave their earbuds.

What I mean is excellent Muslim students plan to achieve measurable excellence and never neglect our priorities as Muslims. Be proud of being Muslims by practicing Islam and Allah swt will always help us to excel in everything we do.

"O you who have believed, enter into Islam completely [and perfectly] and do not follow the footsteps of Satan. Indeed, he is to you a clear enemy." [Surah al-Baqarah (2): verse 208]



University Students

by Khalil Abdul Malik

As University students, we're on the pursuit of gaining further knowledge and education of this world and the hereafter. As future leaders of this society, we realize our responsibilities towards building our communities on a worldwide level.

Currently at the Universities, we are looking to focus and educate more of the students on a balance of two main areas: Islamic education and '7 key aspects of life' (Our Deen, Education, Career, Family, Finance, Social Life and Health).

First, we want to increase the Iman of the Muslim students with insightful Tafsir (explanations of the deep meanings in the Qur'an), Seerah (The life of Prophet Muhammad PBUH), explanations of the Hadiths and useful Naseeha.

The second aspect involves educating Muslims on values such as professional development, excellence, organisation, vision, purpose and how all these revolve around our Islamic responsibilities as University Students.

Goal management, time management, sleep management, leadership, motivation, good character, are all productive disciplines we wish to share with the Muslim Ummah, so they become outstanding role models in the community.

We also see University as a big opportunity for Da'wah. We want to be engaging with insightful knowledge and proudly represent the Muslim Ummah to the world. We are also driven to unite the different Muslim backgrounds and communities together. We only look at the community as one big Ummah, united under the umbrella of Islam.

We have had a great start to the year by uniting the 4 Major University Islamic Societies (FAMSU, Adelaide University, Flinders University and UniSA) for a "Welcoming BBQ!" event. People of different cultures, came together for a delicious BBQ on the beautiful River Torrens.

Pakistani Community

In recent weeks, there was a death in the Muslim community. A man had returned back to Allah. But there was a problem, he didn't have enough money to be buried in the Al Khalil Muslim Cemetery, and so he was buried among Non Muslims in a Non Muslim cemetery.

Because of this IICSA has opened up a new fund specifically for these situations.

IICSA Funeral & Hardship Fund

Due to the need in the Adelaide Muslim community, IICSA has established a fund to support those who can't afford to be buried at the Al Khalil Graveyard. If you would like to help your brothers and sisters, donate to:

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May Allah relieve you of your hardships the way you relieve your brothers and sisters of theirs.



SCORE BOARD



By Patrick Ernst

Our 2013 season is now underway and our Under 15s and Under 13s have played some games. We've not had any wins yet but haven't lost by too much either. Many of the boys haven't played together, so, in sha Allah, as they play more games they will develop good on-field team play. It's great to see how they are bonding and developing friendships.

The Optus Small Sided soccer games start on 7th April. We have two Under 9s and two Under 11s. We had to bring some younger boys up to an older grade as we didn't have numbers for Under 8s and Under 10s. In sha Allah, next year we will be able to have a full complement of teams. Of course, we will need your help in the community to achieve these aims. I can say that the boys are training well and demonstrating some good skills. Their fitness levels are increasing and we hope that the boys will be successful, with good individual skills and team play.

We have new uniforms this season. The home strip is white with green trim and the away strip is black with green trim. The Football Federation sponsor is Mamee (noodles) and all clubs are required to display the Mamee logo on the leg of the uniform pants. We are also delighted to have support from the Muslim business community. We are now being sponsored by Al Raya (Halal Butchers and Grocery), Al Madina (Halal Butchers and Grocery), Sofra Kebab House and FAMSU. Without the help of these sponsors, we would not have been able to provide the updated facilities for the club, which we have arranged this season. Please show your support for these great businesses.

This year, we have purchased new training equipment and balls. Already our coaches are seeing a benefit from using the equipment. It allows them to provide a variety of drills to the boys and increase the level of sophistication of the training. This is reflected in the skills improvement in the soccer being played. The extra equipment is assisting our coaches too - they are now able to use the club's Technical Development Plan to much greater effect.

Another beneficial impact of the new sponsorship, was giving our club the opportunity to rent a more professional and larger soccer grounds. We always struggled with lighting at our Cowandilla ground but the new site has excellent flood lighting. We have two full size grounds for training and another section which will be ideal for training of the younger players and for small format games. Our new ground is the Football Federation ground, SAWSA Park, located at the corner of Greenhill Road and Peacock Road. Parking is available after 6:00 on Greenhill Road (clearway until 6:00pm). Our training is held on Wednesday and Friday evenings.

SA Central FC Open team will continue to train at Cowandilla Primary School on Thursday evenings. Call Adam on 0447 097 128 for more details if you are interested in playing or supporting our Open team.

As always, whether it is our Junior or Open teams, we rely on your support. If you would like to help in any way or even just come and visit our training or games, please come to our SAWSA grounds. Come and join in the Salaat. We would love to see you there.



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Street Talk!

Assalamu 'Alaykum,

Alhamdulillah, over the past couple of months there has been a lot happening with the Youth. During the summer holidays, fun activities were occurring weekly such as:

Beach Nights, Friday Night entertainment, Swimming, Paintballing, Basketball, Martial Arts Training & more.

Also, emphasis has been placed on developing knowledge through regular Itikaafs and lectures. Recently speakers from Sydney including Sheikh Shady delivered a lecture on "THE END" at Al-Khail Masjid.

Friday Night Soccer is back on a weekly basis at Thebarton Senior College!! Come every Friday Night for good atmosphere & fast-paced action.

Sisters have been also actively involved with the youth in holding monthly activities such as Henna Nights, Gymnastics, Roller-skating & more.

Inshallah Youth Nights will occur every month with a range of new activities. Another initiative that will start is the:

Fajr Program – What would the condition of this Ummah be if the Masjid was full of Youth for Fajr?

The Prophet (saw) said "If people knew the reward in praying Fajr and Isha in congregation, they would go to the mosque even if they had to crawl."

If you want to be woken up for Fajr or for transport to be arranged to take you to the Masjid text or call 0435 252 951

Wasalam

Younis Khan

ISLAMIC QUIZ?

1) Makkah is also known as what name in the Quran?

- a) Kabah
- b) Bakkah
- c) Hijra

2) Which is the only surah in Quran to start without Bismillah?

- a) Surat al Kafiroon
- b) Surat al Falaq
- c) Surat at-Tawbah

3) In which surah is Ayat al kursi found?

- a) Surat an-Naas
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Quranic Foods – The Fig, The Olive & Honey



By Mohammad Gadi

Allah says, “By the figs (At-Tiin) and olives (Az-zaituun)” [Quran 95:1]

Figs – an ancient fruit

Figs originated in the Middle East, but now available worldwide. Figs are finally being recognized as the important fruit not just for their sensuous curves, sweet taste, and delectable nature but also for real health benefits.

Figs are especially potent in nutrients and minerals that help balance the body and mind. Figs possess many characteristics that make them an important addition to our diet. Here some health benefits of figs:

- 1) Figs are a fantastic source of vitamin B6. B6 is responsible for producing mood-boosting serotonin, lowering cholesterol and preventing water retention.
- 2) Figs are very high in dietary fiber, which makes them an ideal weight-loss aid. Fiber creates a feeling of satiety, or fullness, which means that you will feel more full and eat less. Fiber also regulates the digestive system and alleviates the symptoms of Irritable Bowel Syndrome.
- 3) The high calcium content of figs promotes bone density and can guard against osteoporosis.
- 4) Figs are an excellent source of potassium, a necessary mineral to ensure good muscles function and to avoid muscle cramps.

Olives - How do they keep you healthy?

Olive oil and monounsaturated fats have been associated with everything from lower rates of heart disease and colon cancer to a reduced risk of diabetes and osteoporosis.

- 1) Lowers Cholesterol: It can naturally lower the bad or LDL cholesterol while maintaining the good or HDL levels. As a result it reduces risk of cardiovascular disease, such as stroke and heart attack.

- 2) Lowers Blood Pressure
- 3) Immune System Booster: Due to its antioxidant powers, it can boost your immune system and effectively fight off infection, helping you to avoid many of the common ailments like colds and the flu, without resorting to antibiotics.
- 4) Diabetes: It has been demonstrated that a diet that is rich in olive oil, low in saturated fats, moderately rich in carbohydrates and soluble fiber from fruit, vegetables and grains is the most effective approach for diabetics. It improves blood sugar control and enhances insulin sensitivity.
- 5) Osteoporosis: A high consumption of olive oil appears to improve bone mineralization and calcification. It helps calcium absorption and so plays an important role in aiding sufferers and in preventing the onset of Osteoporosis.

Allah Says: “And the Lord inspired the bee, saying: Take your habitations in the mountains and in the trees and in what they erect. Then, eat of all fruits and follow the ways of your Lord made easy (for you)’. There comes forth from their bellies a drink of varying colors wherein is healing for men. Verily in this is indeed a sign for people who think.” [Quran 16:68-69]

Honey – Its antibiotic properties

Scientists have done much research into the benefits of honey. One of the most well researched is Manuka honey, which is produced by bees that collect nectar from the Manuka Bush or Tea tree, native to New Zealand and parts of Australia. It is said to contain an ingredient with powerful antibacterial, antiviral, antioxidant, antiseptic, anti-inflammatory and anti fungal properties – which is named UMF (unique Manuka factor).

No other food has the same anti-microbial quality as Manuka honey. This is the reason it is useful to treat stomach ulcer, gum disease, sore throat, as well as skin problems (including skin infection, infected surgical wounds, boils, acne, nail fungus and dermatitis).

Subhanallah! We study the findings of the scientists, not to confirm or deny the truth that has been revealed by Allah and His Prophet but to learn of new ways we can use honey.

Chicken Curry

Big
Flavour
Burst

By Blarra Jeroff

Get restaurant quality smooth and flavoursome chicken curry at home for a fraction of the price!

Ingredients

- 6-8 chicken thigh pieces in large chunks
- 5-6 large tomatoes, chopped finely
- 2 onions, minced
- 2 tbs minced garlic
- 2 tbs minced ginger
- 1 tbs salt
- 1 tbs ground cumin
- 1 tbs ground coriander
- 1 tbs red chilli powder
- 1 tsp ground turmeric
- 3 green cardamom pods or 1/2 tsp ground cardamom
- 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/2-1 cup of cream

Method

- 1) Heat 3 tbs of oil in a wide based pan and add onion, cook until brown
- 2) Add ginger and garlic and all the spices and cook for a minute
- 3) Add the tomatoes and cook for 10-15 minutes until oil has come to the surface and then blend the sauce in a blender
- 4) In a separate pan fry the chicken until browned and add back to the curry gravy
- 5) Add the cream and simmer for few more minutes
- 6) Adjust seasoning to taste
- 7) serve with basmati rice



Olives

Blessed
to use
and eat

Indeed, Allah Ta’ala has mentioned the Olive tree as being blessed as well:

“A blessed Tree, an Olive, neither of the east nor of the west, whose oil is well-nigh luminous..” [Surah 24:35]

The Prophet (pbuh) said:

“Eat the olive oil and massage it over your bodies since it is a blessed tree.” [at-Tirmidhi]



Olive Baby!

As we all know the benefit & blessings that Allah and His Messenger have mentioned about olives and olive oil.

One recommendation for new parents is to rub and massage their new born baby's body with olive oil every night.

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