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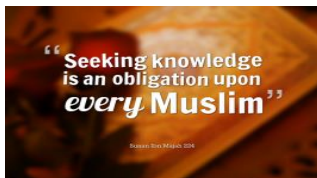
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Jamiat-ul-Ansar Newsletter

Nasiha of the Month

May this newsletter find everyone in the best of health, iman, and closeness to God, Almighty.

As we reflect on the tragic terrorist act committed against our fellow brothers in one of our masjids, we must ask ourselves what role should we play in making our country tolerant, peaceful, and respectful of differences. We have to start with ourselves first and foremost, by being believers that are tolerant of others, respectful of differences, and open hearted to our fellow citizens and neighbours. The Prophet, may Allah bless him



and grant him peace, once stood up while a deceased person was being carried on the road and his companion told the Prophet that the deceased was a Jewish person. The Prophet, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, responded, "Is he not a creation of Allah?" The Prophet, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, wanted his companion to know that we should look at people through the lense of mercy, so we can have respect, and be tolerant.

In the political and social climate of our time, we should do everything that we can to be ambassadors of peace, tolerance, and good virtues. If we do this, our country will continue to be known as a tolerant and inclusive nation that our children will feel safe in. Start with being good neighbours and then extend it to others.

Whosoever relieves from a believer some grief pertaining to this world, Allah will relieve from him some grief pertaining to the Hereafter. Whosoever alleviates the difficulties of a needy person who cannot pay his debt, Allah will alleviate his difficulties in both this world and the Hereafter. Whosoever conceals the faults of a Muslim, Allah will conceal his faults in this world and the Hereafter. Allah will aid a servant (of His) so long as the servant aids his brother.

Whosoever follows a path to seek knowledge therein, Allah will make easy for him a path to Paradise. No people gather together in one of the houses of Allah, reciting the Book of Allah and studying it among themselves, except that tranquility descends upon them, mercy covers them, the angels surround them, and Allah makes mention of them amongst those who are in His presence.

Mosque News

Brampton City Hall Interfaith Event for Our Brothers

On Saturday February 4th, the Brampton City Mayor's staff along with the Jamiat-ul-Ansar mosque, arranged an Interfaith Event to promote unity, tolerance, and to offer prayers for the brothers killed and injured in the terrorist attack on the mosque in Quebec City. Alhamdulillah, the event was successful, with our community and members of other religious communities attending. The event had politicians of all three governments in attendance and speaking, along with Imams and religious leaders from the community. Special thanks go out to Mrs. Hasneet Punia from the Mayor's Office, and Br. Peter Shah from Jamiat-ul-Ansar who organized the event. We would also like to thank our community for coming out and showing their support.

We are planning open houses for our neighbours and friends to drop in to help create a more harmonious community.



Tahajjud Program and Breakfast

(February 26, 2017 at 5:00 a.m.)

Every fourth Sunday morning of every month, one hour and a half before the entrance of Fajr

Feed The Poor Program

Every third Sunday of every month, we cook and prepare 200 meals for the poor in our community. Alhamdulillah, we have cooked 1400 meals so far. The cost is \$500.00 per month, so please sponsor a month.

Quotes of the Month

Abu Nuaim reported: Fudayl ibn Iyad, may Allah have mercy on him, said:

Those who achieved never did so, in our view, with an abundance of fasts, nor prayers. Indeed, they only achieved, in our view, with the spirit of generosity, purity of heart, and sincerity to the community.

-Hilyat al-Awliya-

Hasan Al-Basri, may Allah have mercy on him, was asked about good character and he said:

It is generosity, charitable giving, and loving kindness towards people.

NEW JUMU'AH TIMINGS

First: Starts 12:45 p.m. Salat: 1:15 p.m.

Second: Starts 2:00 p.m. Salat: 2:30 p.m.

These timings are set until March 2017.

KHATIBS FOR JUMU'AH

These are the khatibs for the Jumu'ah Salat for the month of February

February 3: 1st: Ustadh Nazim Baksh
2nd: Hafidh Mahmood

February 10: 1st: Shaykh Zahir Bacchus
2nd: Ustadh Yusuf Haque

February 17: 1st: Shaykh Faraz Rabbani
2nd: Br. Hussain Akbar Ali

February 24: 1st: Shaykh Zahir Bacchus
2nd: Hafidh Mahmood