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MESSAGE FROM AMEER

The Lenasia South Muslim Association (LSMA) was established in the early 1980's.

To date the organisation has grown and maintains; 3 Masaajid, 1 Musalla in the informal settlement, 4 houses for the Muadhins and Hifz ustaadh as well as a diverse portfolio of other activities. Only Lillah funds are utilised for the building, maintenance and upkeep of the masaajid as well for the salaries for the Imaam's and Muezzin's.

We make dua that our humble efforts are pleasing to the Almighty and that He continues to assist us in enlivening the Deen of Islam in Lenasia South and surrounding areas.

Please remember us in your duas.

MASJID UPDATES





MASJID UTHMAN GHANI

The rezoning and consolidation of stands 32,33 and 34 has not as yet been approved. However we are now in the final stages of approval and once the approval is received we will commence with much needed renovations to Musjid Uthmaan Gani. We would like to thank brothers Zayd Ebrahim and Maubeen Khan for their efforts in getting this done on behalf of LSMA. In the meantime please carry on with duaas so that ALLAH make it easy for us. Our intention is to begin renovations within 2-3 months after Ramadaan inshallah.

BUILDING ACCOUNT

BANK: HABIB OVERSEES BANK

BRANCH: LENASIA

ACCOUNT: 11333211584

BRANCH CODE: 700037

PLEASE DONATE GENEROUSLY

RAMADAAN 2019/1440 ESHA SALAAH TIMES

Azaan at 7.00pm | Namaaz at 7.15PM FAJR AS PER SCHEDULE ON MASJID SALAAH BOARDS



MASJID ABUBAKR

We currently busy with extending the kitchen area at the Masjid, and this extension will be completed INSHA ALLAH before Ramadan begins.

LSMA Banking Details

BANK: HABIB OVERSEAS BANK

BRANCH: LENASIA

BRANCH CODE: 700037

LILLAH ACCOUNT: 1133 3200973

ZAKAAT ACCOUNT: 1133 3203425

Section 18A Certificates are available for all donations given. Kindly contact:

Br. E. Dhaler - 0845816314 | Hfz M. Vaid - 0722122966

Uthman ibn Affan reported:
The Messenger of Allah,
peace and blessings be upon
him, said, "Whoever builds a
mosque for Allah, then Allah
will build for him a house like
it in Paradise."

Source: Sahih al-Bukhari 439, Sahih Muslim 533



LSMA SERVICES

Burial Association

The loss of a near and dear one is never easy. The LSMA burial committee assists the grieving family by assisting with ghusl, burial, etc. When the need arises kindly contact one of the following persons:

Sohail Manga 0833922271

MI Abdulla Sayed 0638148411

Ahmed Bham 0827176363

Ashraf Lakha 0837098165

LSMA HIFZ CLASSES

Situated at Masjid Uthmaan Ghani. The Hifz classes offer either for full time or part time classes. All applications can be directed to Hafez Vaid on telephone number on 011 855 3293

LSMA WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Abdussamad Kola 0825993752

The welfare department provides support for the indigent in our area, by distribution of food and meat parcels on a monthly basis. The LSMA also runs a feeding and bread scheme at the madressah (p6) in extension 4. The LSMA also subsidizes madressah fees for all those children that qualify through our zakaah fund.

WEEKLY RAMADAAN PROGRAMME

Presented by MI Muhammad Akhalwaya

Time: Thursday & Sunday after Asr Salaah Duration: Approximately 10-15 mins daily

Venue: Musjid Taqwa

Topics:

Discourses on the Inner Dimensions of the Fast Masā'il on Fasting etc.

For more information contact MI Muhammad - 060 508 5742 (Phone/Whatsapp). Furthermore, Ramadaan related as well as general masā'il queries may also be forwarded to the above Whatapp number or email mhd.ak88@gmail.com.

Salaah times for Masjid Uthman Ghani and Masjid Taqwa can be viewed by visiting our website:

www.lsma.org.za

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LSMA SERVICES

LSMA LIVE STREAMING AND MOBILE APPL

You can now listen to programs, lectures, and Jumuah Programs held at Masjid Uthman Ghani live from around the world using your phone, tablet, or PC. Go to www.livemasjid.com/lsma, to access streaming via the website www.lsma.org.za, or download the android app from the website. LSMA LIVE Mobile app is now available at www.lsma.org.za Currently only available for Android Smart Phones

Features of the app:

- *Live streaming available with a click of a button
- *Access the LSMA Website from within the app
- *Read the Holy Quran with audio option

REGULAR PROGRAMS

Every Saturday in Ramadaan - Ladies Programme at 2191 Milkwood Street.

Sunday Lectures at various masaajid by guest speakers during Ramadaan

Tuesday Ladies Classes - 2191 Milkwood Street Tuesday Tafsir Classes - Masjid Uthmaan Gani. Contact the Imam for more information

2019 HAJJ PROGRAMME

Date: 26 May 2019/20 Ramadaan 1440

Time: 9 a.m. till Dhuhr Salaah Venue: Musjid Uthman Gani

Discussions will include

The Inner Dimensions of the Hajj, Method of performing Umrah, the Five Days of Hajj and Ziyarah of Madinah Munawarah (Mi Muhammad Akhalwaya

Logistics(SAHUC)

Medical Advice(Dr Mohammed Manga)

Guest Speaker: Moulana Yahya Bham

EID SALAAH

VENUE: AL-TAWHEED BILAL MASJID (ON TOP OF MOUNTAIN)

TIME TO BE CONFIRMED

The Inner Dimensions of the Fast by Moulana Muhammad Akhalwaya

(Extracted from Shah Wali Allah al-Dahlawi's "Hujjat-ullahil Balighah" (The Conclusive argument from Allah). Translated by Prof. Marcia K. Hermansen)

You should know that sometimes a person comprehends, due to Allah Ta'ala inspiring him with this knowledge, that his physical animalistic form is keeping him from what would constitute his fulfilment in terms of it's obeying the angelic side. Therefore, he comes to detest the animalistic side and seeks to shatter its force. He won't find anything that helps him to do this as much as hunger, thirst, forswearing sex, and practicing vigilance over his tongue, heart, and limbs. Persistence in this is a cure for the sickness of his soul. There follows him one who learned this from the truthful news-bearer [the Prophet] with the witness of his heart, then next the one whom the prophets guided out of solicitude for him, while he did not realize it, so that he gets the benefit of this in the next life through the shattering of the [animalistic] form. Sometimes a person becomes aware that having the physical His sins are forgiven to the extent that the animalistic form is diminished and through this is achieved a great similarity to the angels, so that they love him. The attachment of love helps effect the weakening of the animalistic side and this is his saying, may the peace and blessings of Allah Swt be upon him, "The bad breath of the one who fasts is sweeter to Allah Swt than the fragrance of musk."

If it is made a common convention it avails against the damages of [poor] conventions. If a community persists in fasting their devils will be chained and the gates of the gardens of Paradise are opened to them and the gates of the fires of Hell are locked against them.[4]

When a person tries to subjugate the lower soul and eliminate its bad qualities, his act will take on a sanctified form in the World of Images. Among the purest of the gnostics is the one who con-centrates on this form, for he is furnished with knowledge from the Unseen World and achieves union with the Divine Essence because of transcendence and sanctification. This is the meaning of his saying, may the peace and blessings of Allah Swt be upon him, "Fasting is done for My sake and I reward it."

Sometimes a man comes to understand the harm of his being preoccupied with his worldly affairs and his filling his senses with external stimulation. This is helped by devoting himself to worship[5]in a mosque designed for prayers, so that it is not possible for him to persist in that [preoccupation]. Even if he cannot completely fulfill this retreat, he should not give it up completely. Thus he snatches opportunities from his situation and retreats in a mosque for as long as is decreed for him. Next there is the person who accepts this wholeheartedly from the truthful news-bringer [the Prophet], and [then comes] the ordinary person who is overcome, as was previously mentioned. Sometimes a person may fast but he is not able to purify his tongue except through retreating to the mosque. Sometimes he may make a request on the Night of Power (Lailat al-Qadr), and seek a connection with the angels, and this contact is not possible except through doing a retreat in the mosque. You will be given the meaning of the Night of Power, and Allah Swt knows better.

DID YOU KNOW?? Your Zakaat and Lillah given to LSMA is used for feeding 25 students at the 525 Musallah, as well as a feeding scheme at the Extension 4 Madressa. LSMA also provides free transportation to and from madressa at Extension 4 and Daxina Primary. Funds received are also used to pay for madressa fees for those families in Lenasia South that cannot afford it. PLEASE CONTRIBUTE GENEROUSLY, YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!

Ramadaan Moulana Shabeer Khan

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The month of Ramadaan is the month wherein the Qur'an was revealed as guide to mankind; whose signs of guidance are absolutely clear, and it is a distinguisher between truth and falsehood. So whosoever amongst you witnesses this month, should fast therein, and those who are ill or upon a journey, should count the same number of days besides these to fast. Allah desires ease for you and desires not hardship, and that you complete the period and glorify Allah for His guiding you, and that you show gratitude. (S 2, V185)

In Arabic "FASTING" means abstinence from doing something. According to religious scholars, it is abstinence from food, drink sexual intercourse, carried out from dawn till sunset, for the purpose of gaining the pleasure of Allah.

THE SPIRIT OF FASTING

Muslims are commanded to adopt fasting as a means of to protect themselves against wicked and evil motives. Fasting save guards the person as an individual, and the society as a whole, it protects the person from turning into a beast; it also protects society by preparing the devout individual to work for the general welfare, thus living as a human being other human beings. To this effect, our beloved Prophet (S.A.W) confirms; "Fasting is a shelter. When one of you is fasting, let him not behave in an obscene or foolish manner. If some intends to fight against him, let him just say: I am fasting"

The basic truth of fasting in Islam springs from ALLAH'S watch over the person that's fasting, as well as the latter's carrying out of his fast only for the pleasure of Allah. To this effect our beloved Prophet (S.A.W) explains "Allah will forgive all the sins of those who fast during Ramadaan out of true belief and in anticipation of Allah's reward in the Hereafter".

VIRTUES AND BENEFITS OF FASTING

On both the individual and social levels, fasting has many virtues and benefits:

- 1. Feeling sympathy for the poor.
- 2. Fasting establishes equality among the rich and poor.
- 3. Fasting is that it moderates the power of habits.

CONCLUSION

In fasting there is a sharpening of will-power. A German professor once wrote a book on the strengthening of willpower, the basis of which he considers to be fasting. In his book, he maintains that fasting is an effective means to establish control of the spirit over the body, where man lives with a full control over himself, without being a slave to his physical inclinations of need.

FINALLY In the Quraan Surah-Al-Baqarah verse 183 "O YOU WHO BELIEVE, FASTING HAS BEEN ORDAINED FOR YOU JUST AS IT WAS ORDAINED FOR THOSE BEFORE YOU, SO THAT YOU MAY ATTAIN PIETY." By fasting some degree of difficulty is experienced by carnal self(nafs), which curbs the carnal passion. Piety denotes abstaining from all types of sins, be they minor, major, hidden or apparent. The verse is very clear and explains fasting has been made obligatory to attain piety. May Allah bless us an make Ramadaan easy for the UMMAH.

Abdur Rahman ibn Awf reported: The Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings be upon him, said, "Verily, Ramadaan is a month in which Allah Almighty has obligated its fasting. And verily, I have instituted for Muslims the (recommended) practice of its prayer at night. Thus, whoever fasts it with faith and expecting reward will be rid of sins like the day he was born from his mother."

Source: Musnad Ahmad 1691

LSMA RAMADAAN TIMETABLE 2019/1440

RAMADAN	DATE	SEHRI ENDS	IFTAR	ESHA JAMAAT
1	Sun 06 May	05:14 AM	5:37 PM	7:15 PM
2	Mon 07 May	05:14 AM	5:37 PM	7:15 PM
3	Tue 08 May	05:15 AM	5:36 PM	7:15 PM
4	Wed 09 May	05:15 AM	5:36 PM	7:15 PM
5	Thu 10 May	05:16 AM	5:35 PM	7:15 PM
6	Fri 11 May	05:16 AM	5:35 PM	7:15 PM
7	Sat 12 May	05:17 AM	5:34 PM	7:15 PM
8	Sun 13 May	05:17 AM	5:34 PM	7:15 PM
9	Mon 14 May	05:17 AM	5:33 PM	7:15 PM
10	Tue 15 May	05:18 AM	5:33 PM	7:15 PM
11	Wed 16 May	05:18 AM	5:32 PM	7:15 PM
12	Thu 17 May	05:19 AM	5:32 PM	7:15 PM
13	Fri 18 May	05:19 AM	5:31 PM	7:15 PM
14	Sat 19 May	05:19 AM	5:31 PM	7:15 PM
15	Sun 20 May	05:20 AM	5:30 PM	7:15 PM
16	Mon 21 May	05:20 AM	5:30 PM	7:15 PM
99 17	Tue 22 May	05:21 AM	5:29 PM	7:15 PM
18//	Wed 23 May	05:21 AM	5:29 PM	7:15 PM
19//	Thu 24 May	05:22 AM	5:29 PM	7:15 PM
20	Fri 25 May	05:22 AM	5:29 PM	7:15 PM
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22	Sun 27 May	05:23 AM	5:28 PM	7:15 PM
23	Mon 28 May	05:23 AM	5:28 PM	7:15 PM
24	Tue 29 May	05:24 AM	5:28 PM	7:15 PM
25	Wed 30 May	05:24 AM	5:27 PM	7:15 PM
26	Thu 31 May	05:24 AM	5:27 PM	7:15 PM
27	Fri 01 June	05:25 AM	5:27 PM	7:15 PM
28	Sat 02 June	05:25 AM	5:27 PM	7:15 PM
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Nafi' reported: Abdullah ibn Umar, may Allah be pleased with him, would wear his best clothes on the days of the two Eids Source: Sunan al-Kubra 5667

