

- [Allah praises] those who convey the messages of Allah and fear Him and do not fear anyone but Allah. And sufficient is Allah as Accountant. (Translation of the meaning of 33:39, Qur'an)



Masjid Muhammad of Atlantic City

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Masjid Muhammad is a multi-cultural religious community established in the city of Atlantic City, New Jersey. Our mission is to spread the beautiful teachings of Al Islam to the citizens of Atlantic County and the surrounding areas. We serve our community by providing many needed services such as a Food Pantry, Interfaith activities, Social and Marital counseling, and much more. We hold the five daily prayers in our 10,000 Sq ft facility. In addition, we conduct daily classes in the various Islamic disciplines.

Our educational approach is based on the famous hadith of the angel Jibril which mentions three divisions of our religion: Islam (Religious Practice), Iman (Religious Faith), and Ihsan (Spiritual Perfection). These three aspects are represented in the Islamic sciences of 'Aqidah (Creed), Fiqh (Jurisprudence), and Tasawwuf (Sufism). We believe that mastery of these three essential sciences are extremely important toward developing a complete believer and a healthy Islamic community.

We adhere to the traditional school of Ahlus Sunnah wal Jama'ah (The People of the Prophetic Way and The Majority of the Islamic Nation). In Aqidah, we are following the methodology of the knowledgeable scholars of Islamic Theology. In Fiqh, we are following the teachings of the famous Imams of Islamic Jurisprudence as conveyed by a continuous chain of narrators until our time. In Tasawwuf, we are following the traditional spiritual paths which were expounded upon by the pious scholars of the science of Islamic Spirituality. This is the way of Ahlus Sunnah wal Jama'ah, which is the way of the majority of the Muslim nation, past and present.

Those Deluded by Allah's Forgiveness (Part 1)

Excerpt from Ahmad ibn Naqib al-Misri's text "Reliance of the Traveller" forwarded by Mikal Rasheed



O Allah
Forgive me

"Why did the latter fatigue themselves and weep so much?"

Other sinners delude themselves by saying, "Allah is generous, we but rely on His forgiveness," while the learned tell us that if one longs for something one pursues it, and if one fears something one shuns it. Whoever hopes for forgiveness while persisting in wrongdoing is deluded. One must know that Allah Most High, with His vast mercy, is terrible in retribution, having decreed that unbelievers shall abide in hell forever even though their unbelief does not hurt Him in the slightest. He has made some of His servants prey to infirmities (feeble, weak) and trials in this world, though He, Glorious and Exalted, is quite able to eliminate them.

Moreover, He has made us fear His punishment. How can we not be afraid? Fear and hope drive and arouse one to action. That which does not spur one to work is deception, as is clear from the fact that the "hope" of most people makes them do nothing at all or prefer disobedience. It is odd that the early Muslims both worked and feared, while nowadays, though falling far short, people feel secure and tranquil as though they knew more about the generosity of Allah Most High than the prophets and the righteous. If it could be had by wishing, why did the latter fatigue themselves and weep so much? does Allah condemn the Jews and Christians for anything besides being this way when He says,

"They grasp at the paltry (trifling) things of this low life and say, 'We shall be forgiven' " (Qur'an 7:169).

The Obligatory Attributes of Allah

Submitted by staff

Among the uncountable Attributes of Allah, there are thirteen which the scholars say are an obligation for the accountable Muslim to know. They are:

1. Al-Wujud (Existence): Allah exists; and all the creations stand as proof for the existence of Allah, there is no doubt in His existence. (Proof: Surah 14:10)
2. Al-Wahdaniyyah (Oneness): Allah has no partners. Allah is One without a partner or a comparison. Allah is One and not composed of pieces or parts. (Proof: Surah 112:1)
3. Al-Qiyamu bin-Nafs (Non-neediness of others): Allah does not need any of the creations and all the creations are dependent upon Allah. (Proof: Surah 112:2)
4. Al –Mukhalafatu lil-hawadith (Non-resemblance to the creation): Allah absolutely does not resemble the creation. (Proof: Surah 42:11 and Surah 112:4)
5. Al-Qidam (Eternity): Allah's existence is without a beginning and is not subject to change. (Proof: Surah 57:3)
6. Al Baqa' (Everlastingness): Allah's existence is without an end. (Proof: Surah 57:3 and Surah 55:27)
7. Al-Qudrah (Power): Allah has Power over all of the creations. (Proof: Surah 2:20)
8. Al-Iradah (Will): Everything exists by the will of Allah. (Proof: Surah 81:29 and Surah 28:68)
9. As-Sam^ (Hearing): Allah hears without an ear or any other organ or instrument. (Proof: Surah 42:11)
10. Al-Basar (Sight): Allah sees without an eye or any other organ or instrument. (Proof: Surah 42:11)
11. Al-Kalam (Speech): Allah has the Attribute of Kalam which is not like the created communication. Allah's Kalam is not a voice, letter, words, language, gesture or sound. (Proof: Surah 4:164)
12. Al-Hayah (Life): Allah is alive and does not die. Allah's life is without a material or spiritual body(soul). (Proof: Surah 2:255)
13. Al-^Ilm (Knowledge): Allah has the absolute knowledge of everything. (Proof: Surah 57:3 and Surah 58:7)

Eid Al-Fitr 2014



Prayer Times

***Estimated Prayer Times for August 2014

| Date | Day | Fajr | Sunrise | Dhuhr | Asr | Maghrib | Isha |
|------|-----|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | Fri | 4:33 | 5:58 | 1:05 | 4:58 | 8:11 | 9:37 |
| 2 | Sat | 4:34 | 5:59 | 1:05 | 4:57 | 8:10 | 9:36 |
| 3 | Sun | 4:36 | 5:59 | 1:05 | 4:57 | 8:09 | 9:34 |
| 4 | Mon | 4:37 | 6:00 | 1:05 | 4:57 | 8:08 | 9:33 |
| 5 | Tue | 4:38 | 6:01 | 1:05 | 4:56 | 8:07 | 9:31 |
| 6 | Wed | 4:40 | 6:02 | 1:05 | 4:56 | 8:06 | 9:30 |
| 7 | Thu | 4:41 | 6:03 | 1:05 | 4:55 | 8:05 | 9:28 |
| 8 | Fri | 4:42 | 6:04 | 1:04 | 4:55 | 8:03 | 9:27 |
| 9 | Sat | 4:43 | 6:05 | 1:04 | 4:55 | 8:02 | 9:25 |
| 10 | Sun | 4:45 | 6:06 | 1:04 | 4:54 | 8:01 | 9:24 |
| 11 | Mon | 4:46 | 6:07 | 1:04 | 4:54 | 8:00 | 9:22 |
| 12 | Tue | 4:47 | 6:08 | 1:04 | 4:53 | 7:58 | 9:21 |
| 13 | Wed | 4:48 | 6:09 | 1:04 | 4:52 | 7:57 | 9:19 |
| 14 | Thu | 4:50 | 6:10 | 1:03 | 4:52 | 7:56 | 9:17 |
| 15 | Fri | 4:51 | 6:11 | 1:03 | 4:51 | 7:54 | 9:16 |
| 16 | Sat | 4:52 | 6:11 | 1:03 | 4:51 | 7:53 | 9:14 |
| 17 | Sun | 4:53 | 6:12 | 1:03 | 4:50 | 7:52 | 9:12 |
| 18 | Mon | 4:55 | 6:13 | 1:03 | 4:49 | 7:50 | 9:11 |
| 19 | Tue | 4:56 | 6:14 | 1:02 | 4:49 | 7:49 | 9:09 |
| 20 | Wed | 4:57 | 6:15 | 1:02 | 4:48 | 7:48 | 9:07 |
| 21 | Thu | 4:58 | 6:16 | 1:02 | 4:47 | 7:46 | 9:06 |
| 22 | Fri | 4:59 | 6:17 | 1:02 | 4:47 | 7:45 | 9:04 |
| 23 | Sat | 5:01 | 6:18 | 1:01 | 4:46 | 7:43 | 9:02 |
| 24 | Sun | 5:02 | 6:19 | 1:01 | 4:45 | 7:42 | 9:01 |
| 25 | Mon | 5:03 | 6:20 | 1:01 | 4:44 | 7:40 | 8:59 |
| 26 | Tue | 5:04 | 6:21 | 1:01 | 4:44 | 7:39 | 8:57 |
| 27 | Wed | 5:05 | 6:22 | 1:00 | 4:43 | 7:37 | 8:55 |
| 28 | Thu | 5:06 | 6:23 | 1:00 | 4:42 | 7:36 | 8:54 |
| 29 | Fri | 5:08 | 6:23 | 1:00 | 4:41 | 7:34 | 8:52 |
| 30 | Sat | 5:09 | 6:24 | 12:59 | 4:40 | 7:33 | 8:50 |
| 31 | Sun | 5:10 | 6:25 | 12:59 | 4:40 | 7:31 | 8:48 |

***These prayer times are simply estimates and should
 only be used as a guide and not exact times to pray



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Hadith of the Month



The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings be upon him) said, “Fasting Ramadan is like fasting ten months, and fasting six days [of Shawwal] is like fasting two months. That is like fasting a full year.” [Ahmad & Nasa'i]