

Newsletter

A Newsletter of the Mobile Islamic Community



**Read the HOLY QURAN daily.
4:79**

Introduction to the Study of the Quran Abul A'ala Maududi

Allah Who revealed the Quran Himself made arrangements for its safety and security forever. No sooner was a passage of the Quran revealed than it was recorded on leaves of date-palm, barks of trees, bones, etc., at the dictation of the Holy Prophet, and all these pieces were put, in a bag.

Besides this, some of his Companions themselves wrote these pieces for their own use. At the same time, the Muslims committed these passages to memory as they had to recite them during Salat which was obligatory from the very beginning of Islam.

Though many of the Companions had committed the whole of the Quran to memory during the life-time of the Holy Prophet, it had not been compiled in book form. But immediately after his death, an event occurred that necessitated this work. A furious storm of apostasy [denying religion] broke out and many of the Companions, who went to war to suppress it,

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**Read, Listen, and Study
Lectures of Imam W.D. Mohammed**

Prison Service Dawah By Imam Ronald Ali

As Salaamu Alaikum.

Our work in prisons and local jails stems from the recognition of this need from the time of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. Unjustly imprisoned for reasons relating to the draft, like Yusuf/Joseph of sacred scriptures, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad began to open the hearts and minds of our people seeking Freedom, Justice, and Equality. Offenders and those unjustly imprisoned sought the life-giving teachings of Islam, and discovered that the Creator of the Heavens and the Earth heard the yearning of the Black Man/Woman in the Americas.



The committee was further organized and flourished under the leadership of Imam W.D. Mohammed, the son of the

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The Month of Rabi ul Awwal

RABI UL AWWAL: THIRD MONTH OF THE ISLAMIC CALENDAR

Many societies have used the lunar phase's cycle as the basis for their calendars. Even today a variety of cultures, including [more than] 22% of the world population that holds the Islamic faith still begin their months with the first sighting of the crescent moon in the evening after a New



Moon. Therefore, the Islamic calendar is a strict lunar calendar. Because the beginning of the Hijric month is determined by observation, it cannot be accurately predicted. However, for secular use a tabular calendar is available to determine the beginning of the Hijric month by fixed rules.

(M.G. Rashed, M.G. Moklof, Alaa E. Hamza, Investigation the Arithmetical or Tabular Islamic calendar, NRIAG Journal of Astronomy and Geophysics, Volume 7, Issue 1, 2018, Pages 20-21)

The month of Rabi ul-Awwal is the third month, according to the lunar calendar, that comes after the months of Muharram and Safar. Literally, the Arabic word 'Rabi' means spring and 'ul-Awwal' translates to the first.

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were killed... It occurred to Hadrat 'Umar that necessary steps should be taken to preserve the Quran intact in its original form against any and every kind of danger and that it was not wise to depend exclusively upon those who had learnt it by heart. He therefore urged that it was essential to put the whole of it in black and white in the form of an authenticated book. He tried to impress the necessity of this on Hadrat Abu Bakr, who at first showed hesitation to do what the Holy Prophet had not done. But after some discussion he agreed to it, and entrusted this work to Hadrat Zaid bin Thabit who at first also showed hesitancy, but at last was convinced and undertook this historic work...

Hadrat Zaid bin Thabit was best qualified for this work. He was present when the Holy Prophet recited the whole of the completed Quran to the Angel Gabriel.... With the co-operation of those Companions who had committed the whole or part of the Quran to memory word for word, all the written pieces were compared with each other for verification. Thus, was compiled one correct, authenticated and complete copy of the Holy Quran. (Selected excerpts to be continued)



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Prison Service Dawah

Honorable Elijah Muhammad. Imams and Chaplains were employed to address the religious teachings and their application in the everyday life of its practitioners. Since that time, the members of the Prison Service Team have preached and illuminated the life-giving teachings of the Holy Quran in jails and prisons throughout the United States. Eid Prayers, Marriages, and Janazah services continue today under the leadership of these faithful Believers. The Covid 19 Pandemic has postponed weekly activities in the local jails, but the state and federal institutions are presently facilitating services by our Prison Service Team to do the work of introducing the correct picture of Al-Islam.

For more information contact Prison Service Team members, Imam Ronald Ali and Al Hajji Wali Mustafa-Chaplain, Metro Jail Mobile County.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Vaccination clinic




Saturday, October 9, 2021
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Mobile Masjid of Al Islam
1559 Duval Street
Mobile, AL 36605

No registration or appointment necessary
Everyone 12+ is eligible

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Rabi Ul Awwal: Third Month of the Islamic Calendar

So, the meaning of Rabi ul-Awwal is the first spring.

But since this month exists in the lunar calendar, it keeps changing over the years. This means that Rabi ul-Awwal does not always fall in spring. Instead, the meaning here refers to the metaphoric spring and represents happiness.

Rabi ul-Awwal may be observed by the followers of Islam because of the following which are believed to have occurred during this month: the birth of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH); Hijrah of the Prophet; and the death of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). While some people maintain that the birthday needs no necessary celebration, for others this day has special significance and is observed with happiness and zest. Source:

<https://zamzam.com/blog/rabi-ul-awwal>



COMMITTEE NEWS

August 2021 Financial Summary
Income \$4042.59
Expenses \$2257.46
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