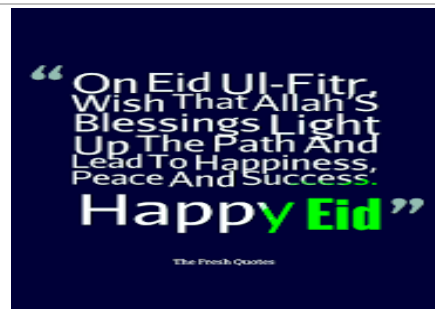
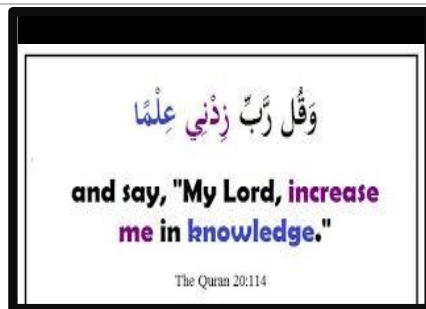


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A Newsletter of the Mobile Islamic Community



Read Surah 52 Ayat 17-19



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Blessed Festival of Breaking the Ramadan Fast

IMAMS SPEAK

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim

1. Have We not expanded thee thy breast?
2. And removed from thee thy burden
3. The which did gall the back? -
4. And raised the esteem (in which) thou (art held)?
5. So, verily, with every difficulty, there is relief,
6. Verily, with every difficulty there is relief.
7. Therefore, when thou art free (from thine immediate task), still labor hard,
8. And to thy Lord turn (all) thy attention.

Al-Sharh

Ramadan 2020 has come and gone. Praise be to Allah. Upon reflection there are so many different perspectives to reflect upon this Ramadan and previous Ramadans. We are reminded over and over in the Qur'an of the many benefits of reflection (pondering, thinking). Life is full of challenges.

We are reminded that the human being was created into toil and struggle, so struggle is natural it is not unnatural. So the Institution of Fasting revisits us annually extending another opportunity for us to become more appreciative and thankful for the life that Allah has bestowed upon us through His Rahma (Mercy). Praise be to Allah.

So whether it's a famine, pandemic, war, etc. or any other challenges large or small, the Believer goes deep inside of their spiritual self to reaffirm their



...And those who are firmly grounded in knowledge say: "We believe in the Book; the whole of it is from our Lord"; and none will grasp the Message except men (minds) of understanding.
Holy Quran 3:7

If you were not able to have a traditional graduation ceremony, view this ceremony and know its thoughts, prayers, and traditions are dedicated to you, 2020 Graduates:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WEbaEr9KUuM>

STORIES OF THE PROPHETS

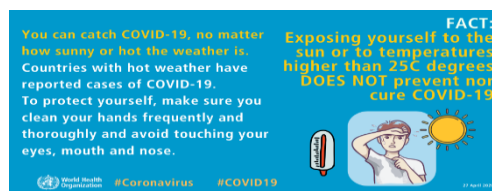
Abu Bakr came to my house while two small Ansari girls were singing beside me the stories of the Ansar concerning

ANNOUNCEMENTS

During COVID19, the Mobile Masjid of Al-Islam will meet by conference calls at 1 pm Fridays for Jumah, and 12 noon on Sundays for Taleem. Call this number: 712-775-7031. Use pin: 524420723#. Jumah can also be accessed on Facebook at The Community Mind.

Links Here and Now and Coming Soon

Wellness:



For more myths and other information concerning COVID 19 visit <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public/myth-busters>

Neighborly needs: Thank you to Janice and Luqman Rashid and family for spearheading and providing Iftar meals to sick, shut-ins, and believers.

Charity begins at home and spreads abroad. With a new Islamic year approaching in a few months, it is a good idea to identify at least three ways/means of expanding charity—now and after: Locally, Nationally, Internationally.

IMAMS SPEAK

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obedience and commitment to serving and worshiping the Lord of all things and all creation. We cannot in one setting enumerate all of the lessons and blessings that comes to the Believer for observing Ramadan. There are many verses from the Qur'an and Hadith of the Prophet (pbuh) that serves as a reinforcement of how blessed we are to be adherents to the Creator. So in this general way we pray that the virtues and lessons from this Blessed Month will carry us to the next Ramadan InshaAllah. Regardless of the circumstances or situation whether they are large or small remember what the Prophet (pbuh) said to his companion Abu Bakr in the Cave as they were escaping persecution and the Meccans were at the mouth of the cave. Our Prophet calmed his companion by saying, "O Abu Bakr have no fear Allah is with us, and what do you think of two of whom Allah is the third?"

Dearly beloved Believers always trust in Allah. There is not a better assurance anywhere at any time.

As-Salaam-Alaikum

Imam Kamal H. Saleem

Mobile Masjid of Al Islam



FOOD FOR THOUGHT

The Covid-19 Pandemic has brought attention to a subject most people do not like to talk about; Death and Dying. The Qur'an has several places that discuss the issue of death. Death is a reminder that everyone has a time of return to Allah. The goal of life is to strive to be of those whom our Lord Most High will say: "O soul at peace return to your Lord, well pleased and pleasing. And enter among my servants and enter my paradise". The Glorious Qur'an 89:27-30. (Continued in next column)

the Day of Buath. And they were not singers. Abu Bakr said protestingly, "Musical instruments of Satan in the house of Allah's Apostle!" It happened on the Eid day and Allah's Apostle said, "O Abu Bakr! There is an Eid for every nation and this is our Eid."

Narrated/Authority of Aisha (RA)

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Continued

I am now retired after spending over 40 years in nursing. The latter part of my career was spent as a Critical Care Nurse. Critical Care nurses are involved daily in issues of death and dying. As a nurse in CCU, death was a part of work. There were codes; some successful and some not. There was a sense of pure joy when you see a patient with no pulse (straight line) revived. The hardest part of a death is consoling the family afterwards. This was one of the most difficult aspects of my job in critical care.

For a Muslim death marks the transition from one state of existence to the next. Islam teaches that life on earth is an examination. The life to come is the eternal abode where one will reap the fruit of one's endeavors on earth. Therefore, death is to be accepted as a natural part of the overall divine plan. We all know that death is inevitable. You cannot escape it. Allah will play the role of qadi, weighing the deeds of each individual. He will decide whether that person's akhirah (afterlife) lies in Jahannam (hell) or Jannah (heaven) on the basis of the weight of either good or bad deeds in comparison with one another.

The Prophet (pbuh) says that you should live your life like you're going to live forever and live like you will die tomorrow.
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At the top of the local list do not forget your local Masjid/Islamic Center and individuals and organizations to which you are inclined. Be diligent and aware of scams.

Study and enrichment:

<https://www.quran.com/>

<https://studyal-islam.com/>

Get Out the Vote



Note: This information regarding the July 14th Primary Runoff Election may change due to the COVID19 situation.

In order to protect the safety and well-being of voters, Alabama Secretary of State John Merrill encourages those who are concerned about contracting or spreading the coronavirus to apply for and cast an absentee ballot.

Absentee ballot applications can be downloaded [online](#) or requested by visiting or calling the local [Absentee Election Manager's office](#). Voters may also contact the Secretary of State's Office at 334-242-7210 to request an absentee ballot application.

Dates to Note:

- Monday, June 29 - last day to register to vote.
- Thursday, July 9 - last day to submit an absentee ballot application.
- Monday, July 13 - last day to return an absentee ballot to the Absentee Election Manager's office; must be returned by the close of business.
- Monday, July 13 - last day to postmark an absentee ballot.

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