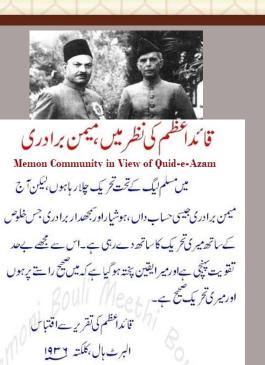


Memon Welfare Society K.S.A.

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In the Picture above, Quid-e-Azam with Sir Adamjee

Haji Dawood Memon an old memory

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Assalamo Alaikum WRWB

Many Thanks, to our brothers and sisters who called us and took time to write to us during last month expressing their congratulations, compliments and appreciation for holding a praiseworthy occasion of 2nd Annual Prize Distribution as well as Celebration of 5th Anniversary of MWS with family get together. We shall keep on encouraging students with awards and rewards since Knowledge is better than wealth, which guards you, while you have to guard wealth. Wealth decreases if you spend it, but the more you make use of knowledge, the more it increases. What you get through wealth is gone when the wealth is gone, but what you achieve through knowledge will remain even after you are gone.

Certainly, the outcome of family gathering from time to time is very constructive as it provides an opportunity to the community members to meet, greet and eat together which some time result in conversion of friendship into family relationship.

Indeed, MWS Managing Board is trying its best to maintain continuity of social and welfare activities with selfless efforts and dedication as well as updat the community through the Newsletter consistently. Hope our community members will share their views and suggestion that might help us to improve Newsletter as well as our activities.

We understand, that this newsletter would be informative and interesting to you, we sincerely apologize in advance for any unintentional omission or error in this issue.

Best regards Newsletter Committee



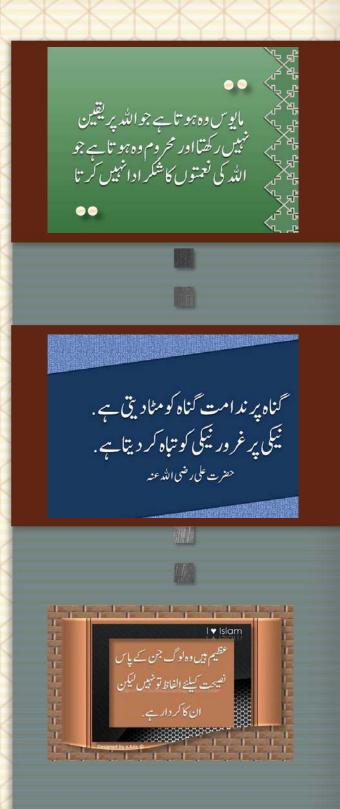
The Welfare Services of Memon Welfare Society ميمن ويلفيئر سوسائٹي کي فلاحي خدمات

- -Helping poor students for education fee
- -Helping Community members for health care for those who cannot afford
- -Helping in Coffin & Burial Services -Helping & guiding unemployed in seeking employment
- -Voluntarily Matrimonial services
- -Beside above we are assisting some Madrassa by paying fees of needy students and school where the students will receive free education who cannot afford even the nominal fee.
- -We also hold other social & welfare activities for our community such as Seminar, Families get to gather together, Career guidance sessions, evening with scholar, and also help financially and materially the victims of natural disaster such as flood in Pakistan and Earth quake etc.
- -During last one year we have sent five shipments of used clothes for poor people in Pakistan & India.
- -We also collect unused medicines for free medical camps organized by Pakistan welfare Society in Consulate General of Pakistan Jeddah.
- -No doubt, Memon Welfare Society is playing a significant role by providing an opportunity to the community families to meet, greet and eat together from time to time, which is a piece of good fortune. It is worth mentioning that we have formed various committees to undertake their respective responsibilities and assignments.

In brief MWS is purely social and welfare forum to serve the community and humanity.

تعلیم اور مدرسے کی فیس کے لئے غریب طالب علموں - ان لوگوں کو جو طبی علاج کے اخراجات کا متحمل نہیں ہو سکتے کی مدد - کمیونٹی کے رکن کے انتقال کے بعد تدفین میں مدد _ روزگار کی تلاش میں بے روزگار کی رہنمائی و مدد - بچوں کے لئے رشتے کی تلاش میں مدد - اس کے علاوہ اپنی کمیونٹی کے لئے اکثر دیگر سماجی اور فلاحی سرگرمیوں کا اہتمام - مختلف موضوعات بر سیمینار کا انتظام - خاندانی اجتماع - مستقبل کے کیریئر کے لئے طالب علموں کو مشورہ - مشہور عالم شخصیات کے ساته شام - ہم پرانے لباس جمع کر - ہم بھی مفت طبی کیمپ کے لئے غير استعمال شده ادويات جمع كر كوئى شك نہيں، ميمن ويلفيئر سوسائٹی - مختلف خاندانوں كوملاقات كرنے _ سلام ودعا کرنے ۔ ایک ساته کھانا کھانے کے مواقع فراہم کر کے کمیونٹی میں اہم کردار ادا کر رہی۔ اس کے علاوہ ہم نے اپنی اپنی ذمہ داریوں اور فرائض کو انجام دینے کے لئے مختلف کمیٹیاں تشکیل دی ہیں۔ مختصرا ميمن ويلفيئر سوسائثى خالصتا سماجی اور برادری کی فلاح و بهبود اور انسانیت کی خدمت کرنے کے لئے ایک فورم ہے۔ جسکی پوری کمیونٹی کو

حمایت کرنی چاہئے





Just to update community,,,,,,,,,

MWS Current Activities:

- 1. Assistance being provided to needy students of Private School and Madrassa Hifzul Quran.
- 2. Collecting and delivering unused medicines to Pakistan Welfare Society for their free medical camp take place every alternate Friday. If anyone has unused medicines, please contact Ahmed Kamal Makki at STAR (Ex. Al Shifa) Center for Fresh Chicken & Meat Opp Marhaba Super Market, Near Souk Minarah, Azizia, (Ahmed Kamal Makki Tel:6754078/0541299786)
- 3. Collecting used clothes for poor and needy people in India and Pakistan. Six Shipmenst have so far been dispatched to Pakistan and India. Two more shipments to India and Pakistan are being prepared which will be shipped in beginning of December insha Allah. Please deliver used clothes at STAR (Ex. Al Shifa) Center for Fresh Chicken & Meat Sahafa Street, Opp Shivanis, Near Taibah cotton, Azizia, (Ahmed Kamal Makki Tel:6754078/0541299786).
- 4. Helping very needy & deserving people from Zakat fund.
- 5. Matrimonial service WITHOUT ANY FEE is being enhanced day by day.
- 6. Look into day to day cases brought to the MWS are resolved very sincerely. Here we would like to convey thanks to our community members for their trust and confidence in MWS.

MWS Events/Programs in Near Future:

- 1. A Picnic of for community families or Board Members Family to take place after some time.
- 2. Cooking Class and
- 3. Sewing and stitching class
- 4. Career Guidance
- 5. Visit to Makkah Museum where Gilaf-e-Kabaa is produced and several other items are placed.

Program No. 2 & 3 above is subject to interest and response from the female candidates.

Item No. 5 depends on response from the members.



Love for God in Islam - The Highest Attribute of Spiritual Attainment

In Islam fear of God, obedience to God and sacrificing for God's cause are stages (that should be maintained) on the spiritual path to something better; love for God.

There are many reasons people become Muslim. Among those reasons are feelings of the need to be a part of something better than what they have, believing that Islam holds more truth than other beliefs, or rejecting something once believed. Attributes that are obtained by the Muslim are fear of God, and love for God. The last being the highest reason to worship. Yet obtaining Love for God is a process. It is something to be achieved. One does not simply wake up loving God. But once love of God is had it is like no other type of love that has been experienced.

Those Who Love God

Love of God causes one to enjoy life more fully. It causes the Muslim to realize that God is the only non-changing reality. He is the Sure Reality and Truth (al-haqq).

"Yet there are men who take (for worship) others besides Allah, as equal (with Allah): They love them as they should love Allah. But those of Faith are overflowing in their love for Allah." (Quran 2:165)

Hence, faith is first mentioned as a necessary component of achieving Love for God. It is misplaced when feelings for created things, or beings, causes a diversion from focusing on the Conscious Reality that created all. The Conscious Reality that sustains all. Faith is the decision of the believer to worship that which is unseen and unseeable in this life.

Developing Love for God

love for God begins with the study of the divine. Science now tells us that there is a component in the brain that creates within humans the desire to believe in a higher power. When we intentionally work to develop that part of our being, new paths are created and opened within the person. The Muslim begins to feel the need to worship (Ibadda), pray (salat), and remember (Dhikr - a form of meditation) God. God begins to take precedence over the Muslim's life. She/He begins to look on God with reverence and becomes a seeker on the path after God's Greatness.

"Those that turn Developing

(to Allah) in repentance; that serve Him, and praise Him; that wander in devotion to the cause of Allah,: that bow down and prostrate themselves in prayer; that enjoin good and forbid evil; and observe the limit set by Allah;- (These do rejoice). So proclaim the glad tidings to the Believers". (Quran 9:112)



Attributes of Those Who Love God

Love of God brings about the best in the individual whose actions benefit those around. Out of love for God the Muslim will do everything, from waking moment to sleep, courageously battling lower desires to please her/his lord. Sacrificing what she/he is in possession of for the sake of the Beloved.

"It is not righteousness that ye turn your faces Towards east or West; but it is righteousness- to believe in Allah and the Last Day, and the Angels, and the Book, and the Messengers; to spend of your substance, out of love for Him, for your kin, for prayer, and practice regular charity; to fulfill the contracts which ye have made; and to be firm and patient, in pain (or suffering orphans, for the needy, for the wayfarer, for those who ask, and for the ransom of slaves; to be steadfast in) and adversity, and throughout all periods of panic. Such are the people of truth, the Allah-fearing." (Quran 2:177)

Example of One Who Loves God

God rewards those who work to develop love for Him and who yearn for their meeting with Him. The Quran gives an example of one who strives and struggles through life while awaiting the final meeting with God. One who struggles to deal with the twist and turns that daily life presents. One who strives to keep his family intact while increasing their spiritual growth. In the Father of John (Yahya) the Baptist there is the following example of one pleading to his Lord out of Love in the midst of affliction and adversity.

So We listened to him: and We granted him Yahya: We cured his wife's (Barrenness) for him. These (three) were ever quick in emulation in good works; they used to call on Us with love and reverence, and humble themselves before Us. (Quran 21:90), When afflicted with pain, sorrow, and adversity, the Muslim turns to God with Love.

MWS was invited to visit Pakistan Navy War-ship that had transitory stop at Jeddah Islamic Port last month. In the picture MWS Delegates consist of M/s Younus Habib and Mansoor Shivani, VPs, are seen with Consul General Pakistan Jeddah Mr. Aftab A. Khokar and Pak Navy convoy at the Ship.







Teaching Children to Pray



Children can start learning to pray even before they can speak in coherent sentences simply by allowing them to see you praying (more about this later) and by inviting them to pray with you as best they can. As with any good habit, you'll want to start reinforcing prayer as a regular part of life as early as possible. Once a child can communicate verbally, they can learn to pray on their own.

Let Your Kids See You Praying

The best way to begin educating your children about prayer is to pray in their presence. Look for opportunities to practice prayer in front of them, just as you would seek out instances to teach them about manners, good sportsmanship or humility. While praying in the early morning or after-noon or evening is a common and valuable practice, God wants us to come to Him with all things and at any time, so let kids see you praying throughout the day for a variety of needs. Before we start our journey on that road and go through the details, we should adopt the following narration as our motto in the process of teaching our children to perform prayers; the Prophet (PBUH) said: ""Command your children to pray at the age of seven and beat them for it at the age of ten (if they do not pray)."~~ [Al-Albaani: Saheeh]

Why the age of seven in particular?

In fact, there are several issues that are related to that specific age. At that age, the children's mental horizons broaden and they are willing to learn essential life skills. Moreover, seven-year-old children are more eager to seek their parents' pleasure; since they are full of deep admiration for their parents in this phase of their lives. In fact, children then are willing to do whatever they are told, to get in return simple words of praise or encouragement. Furthermore, children at that age tend to imitate adults in their various actions and behavior; they are rather keen to go to the mosque and pray, unlike the eleven-year-old son and older children who believe that implementing their father's commands is a return to the childhood phase. Therefore, children try to keep away from implementing their orders at the age of puberty. In fact, children at that age believe that their rejection to their father's orders is the utmost level of attaining the phase of youth and being a grown-up.

You should teach your child how to perform ablution;

A parent or teacher should first teach the child the significance of prayer, and the fact that it was the last advice of the Prophet (PBUH) before his death. Moreover, you should inform him that the one who wishes to be able to talk to Allaah The Exalted, can simply pray. Dear parent and educator, you should teach your child how to perform ablution; you can perform ablution in front of him several times, and then ask him to perform ablution before you so that you can correct his mistakes. The Prophet (PBUH) said: ~"If the Muslim performs ablution, his sins will get out from his ears, eyes, hands and feet; and as he finishes (i.e. performing ablution) and sits, he will be forgiven. [Al-Albaani: Saheeh]

Hence, the child would learn that whenever he wants to purify himself physically and psychologically, he can perform. ablution.



Teach him through representation:

A parent or a teacher should start teaching his child how to pray after he is taught how to perform ablution. The first stage in this process is for the father to pray before his child duly while observing Khushoo' (submission); since the first stage of learning is observation for several times before the child gets used to performing its due movements, if the child has not yet reached the age of distinction. However, when he reaches the age of seven years and is able to comprehend, he should be instructed to perform the prayer with its pillars and acts of Sunnah. Moreover, when the child performs his first obligatory prayer correctly, the parent should offer him a big reward; so that prayer would be associated with reward in his heart, and as he grows older and reaches puberty, he would come to know that the real and big reward in the Hereafter is Paradise.

Moreover, when the child reaches the age of ten, he should be made to perform the prayers regularly, and if he is negligent, he should be reproved, then threatened, then rebuked and reprimanded severely, then the father can hit his child for what he has been negligent of in terms of performing the due acts of worship.

Accompany your child to the mosque:

When your child is able to perform prayer as due, or even is able to comprehend prayer before reaching the age of distinction, you should accompany him to the mosque so as to perform congregational prayers. This makes the child's heart attached to the greatest educational institutions in the Muslim society, imbuing the child with love for the mosque.

In fact, it is a command of the Prophet (PBUH) as he said: "O people, there are ones among you who cause people to be averse (to come to the mosque). If anyone of you leads the people in prayer, he should shorten it for amongst them are the weak, the old and the one who has a need (to fulfill)." In another narration with a different wording: "...for amongst them are the old, the young and the sick..." [Al-Bukhaari and Muslim] The parent should then resort to the best means to accustom his child to performing the congregational prayer imbuing him with love for it; he might let the son lead his brothers, his mother, or his sisters in some obligatory or voluntary prayers such as the Taraaweeh prayer (offered during Ramadan). In fact, this would make the child feel more respectable and well-balanced, would urge him to adhere to performing the prayers and encourage him to be a better person.

Fridays and 'Eid prayers:

The parent/father should accompany his child to the mosque to attend the Friday and 'Eid prayer at an early age The above set of instructions and guidelines should be followed by the parent or teacher in teaching the child to perform prayers until the child adheres to performing due prayers heart and soul, and recognizes prayer as the pillar of Islam; and accordingly, he would grow up to revere and venerate it highly.

Illuminated signs on the way:

- 1. Parent should take into account the differences between children in terms of distinction and age.
- 2. It is better if the child performs the voluntary prayer collectively with his parents at first and raises his voice a little bit in prayer.
- 3. Some children may not be able to distinguish between the time when prayer is due and when it is missed; due to their inability to read the time on the clock and know the prayer times. In that case, he should be trained to hasten to prayer as soon as he hears the Azaan i.e., or he may be reminded of each prayer.



ajab news

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Country readies for 6 million Umrah pilgrims



JEDDAH: NADIM AL-HAMID

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The Kingdom has plans in place to receive 6 million Umrah pilgrims this year, up from the over five million who came last season, according to Bandar Hajjar, minister of Haj. Hajjar said the Umrah season starts at the beginning of Safar, or Dec. 9. The ministry has begun receiving Umrah visa applications through its global electronic network, which is linked directly to the Ministry of Interior, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and other government agencies.

Hajjar said the government expects more than 6 million pilgrims in the nine months ahead. He said more than 50 Umrah companies would be allowed to provide services for these pilgrims and oversee their accommodation in hotels and other housing units in Makkah and Madinah.

The ministry would ensure Umrah companies and institutions follow government regulations. Hajjar said the ministry would not grant companies visas unless they confirm their service packages. The Umrah Information Center would facilitate and control the arrival of millions of pilgrims from around the world.



He said the ministry would also oversee pilgrims leaving the country according to an approved schedule to prevent delays. This would take place through an electronic monitoring system. Pilgrims, he said, would travel from their accommodation to the airports at set times. The ministry would keep an electronic record of each stage of the journey. This system includes an automated link between the Haj Ministry, the General Authority of Civil Aviation (GACA) and Saudi Arabian Airlines. Information would then be transmitted directly to the Umrah companies and institutions through the Haj and Umrah Information Center. Hajjar said the government would penalize airlines for failing to transport pilgrims according to agreed schedules.

The ministry has set up the electronic service at King Abdulaziz International Airport in Jeddah and Prince Muhammad bin Abdulaziz International Airport in Madinah. Pilgrims would only be allowed to leave their accommodation if other pilgrims have left the airports on their scheduled flights. This is to prevent overcrowding at the airports. Hajjar said meetings would take place in the next few days between senior officials of the ministry and its affiliates to discuss monitoring processes and mechanisms to improve pilgrim services in line with the orders of Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Abdullah and the crown prince.

A major feature of these services is the electronic Umrah program that links the Ministries of Haj, Interior and Foreign Affairs. This system covers the issuing of visas, the movement of pilgrims, accommodation, means of transport and other contractual obligations of Umrah companies.

Companies that do not deliver on their promised services would be penalized, he said. This year, the ministry also requires all agents abroad to provide posters displaying the main features of their service packages.

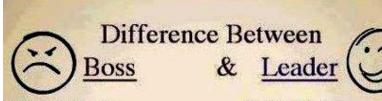
Hajjar said the General Union for Cars, under the supervision of the ministry, was ready to transport pilgrims.

He urged Umrah companies to abide by the rules and regulations introduced for the upcoming season and get security permits from government agencies. Companies are also required to inform the ministry about any changes in their senior management by sending a letter to the ministry.

It also has to provide full details of all its employees including those with criminal records and provide proof that all workers are covered by social insurance. The ministry has set up committees to evaluate the performance of Umrah companies.



Interesting



Drives employees

Depends on authority

Inspires fear

Says,"I"

Places blame for the breakdown

Knows how it is done

Uses people

Takes credit

Commands

Says, " Go "

... Coaches them

... On goodwill

... Generates enthusiasm

... Says, " We "

... Fixes the breakdown

... Shows how it is done

... Develops people

... Gives credit

... Asks

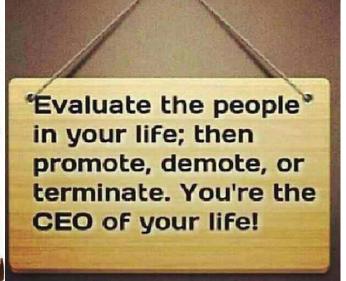
... Says, " Let's go "

"Past is a Waste Paper,
Present is a News Paper,
Future is a Question Paper,
So,

Read 'n Write Carefully...
Otherwise

Life will be Tissue Paper..!

Don't wait until it's too
late to tell someone how
much you love them and how
much you care about them,
because when they're gone,
no matter how loud you shout
and cry, they won't hear
you anymore.





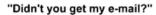
Little Smile - Internet made life easy



"Dear Andy: How have you been?
Your mother and I are fine. We miss you.
Please sign off your computer and come
downstairs for something to eat. Love, Dad."

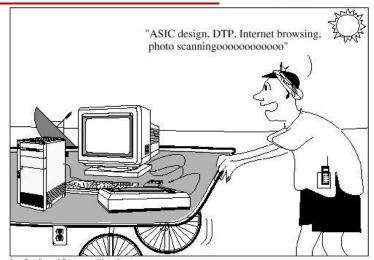








"SORRY, WE CAN'T E-MAIZ YOUR PIZZA AS ATTACHMENT."





Health Corner:

Health - Very Very Important Tips

Answer the phone by LEFT ear.

Do not drink coffee TWICE a day.

Do not take pills with COOL water.

Do not have **HUGE** meals after 5pm.

Reduce the amount of OILY food you consume.

Drink more WATER in the morning, less at night.

Keep your distance from hand phone **CHARGERS**...

Do not use headphones/earphone for LONG period of time.

Best sleeping time is from 10pm at night to 6am in the morning.

Do not lie down immediately after taking **medicine** before sleeping.

When battery is down to the LAST grid/bar, do not answer the phone as the radiation is 1000 times.

Forward this to those whom you CARE about!

Here are some healthy tip for your smartness & physical fitness. **Prevention is better than cure.**

HEALTHY JUICES

Pineapple + Apple + Watermelon - To dispel excess salts, nourishes the bladder and kidney.

Apple + Cucumber + Kiwi - To improve skin complexion.

Pear & Banana - regulates sugar content..

Papaya + Pineapple + Milk - Rich in vitamin C, E, Iron. Improve skin complexion and metabolism.

Banana + Pineapple + Milk - Rich in vitamin with nutritious and prevent constipation

