

Islam from the Heart of Our Muslim Neighbors



Come early to network with old friends or to meet new friends. We will have some light refreshments to enjoy during this gathering time.

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FORTHRIGHT QUESTIONS, HONEST ANSWERS

Saturday, April 22, 2017

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

8:30-9:00

Gathering

9:00-9:45

Panel Presentations

9:45-10:45

Questions and Answers

10:45-11:15

Break

11:15-12:50

Questions & Answers cont’d

12:50-12:55

Closing Remarks

12:56-1:00

Adhan (call to prayer)

This will be a unique opportunity to meet local Muslims and to ask questions about the practices of the Islamic religion in an informal setting. There are many misconceptions that stoke divisiveness and suspicion. Find answers and learn how to support Muslims locally and beyond.

PRESENTERS

Sheikh Al-Hajj Jallow - Imam, Madison Community Center. Degree in Shari’ah from Islamic University of Imam Muhammad bin Saud in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Leads prayers, conducts lectures, organizes Islamic education classes for children, and meets with non-Muslims to help grow an understanding of the Islamic religion.

Amer Haleem – Masters from Northwestern’s Medill School of Journalism; writes and speaks on Islam and Muslims, and their American experience. He has been editor of two of the foremost English-language magazines for Muslims and the author of numerous articles and books

Saadia Ranginwala – Masters, Bioengineering, University of Illinois, Chicago. She is an Associate Scientist at PPD (Pharmaceutical Product Development).

Islam Aly - Student at UW- Madison with double major in economics and history; on the pre-law track. Born in Alexandria, Egypt; moved to Madison in 2000 and attended a Madison public grade school. He received tutelage in Quran recitation as well as Islamic Studies and Thought from Imam Al-Hajj Jallow.

The **'Five Pillars'** of Islam are the foundation of Muslim life:

1. **Shahadah:** Faith or belief in the Oneness of God and the finality of the prophethood of Muhammad

A declaration of faith that the only purpose of life is to serve and obey God and this is achieved through the teachings and practices of the Last Prophet, Muhammad.

2. **Salah:** Establishment of the daily prayers

Salah is the name for the obligatory prayers that are performed five times a day, and are a direct link between the worshipper and God.

3. **Zakat:** Concern for and almsgiving to the needy

An important principle of Islam is that everything belongs to God, and that wealth is therefore held by human beings in trust.

4. **Sawm:** Self-purification through fasting

Every year in the month of Ramadan, all Muslims fast from dawn until sundown- abstaining from food, drink, and marital relations.

5. **Hajj:** The pilgrimage to Makkah

The pilgrimage to Makkah is an obligation only for those who are physically and financially able to do so.

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