

TOWNSVILLE ISLAMIC SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

COVID-19 reminders:



**Maintain a distance of 1.5m
between yourself and others**



**Wash your hands regularly
with soap**



**Stay home if you are
feeling unwell**



**Sign in when you arrive
at the mosque**

PRESIDENT'S OPENING ADDRESS

Assalamualaikum WR WB sisters and brothers of Townsville Islamic community. With great hope and aspirations, the decision for a regular newsletter of our community has been made. The main purpose of this initiative is better communication and clarity. In addition, it will update us about important upcoming events. As you are aware, a new Executive and Consultative Committee took over charge amid the chaos of COVID19 in mid-August, 2020. Since inception, probably more than 80% of the challenges the new Executive Committee faced could have been resolved with much ease if we had a regular, knowledgeable and righteous Imam. Hence, our main goal is to raise sufficient, sustainable funds and recruit a permanent Imam. In Sha Allah, we are working on this goal. Alhamdulillah, we are getting a good response from our community in terms of funding. May Allah SWT reward Br Ahmed Osman abundantly for the drive. However, it may take up to one year to complete the process of recruitment. Meanwhile, we are actively considering to employ an interim Imam. In Sha Allah, I shall get back to you all in future with any further developments. I would like to request you all to be patient and support us during the process. Last but not least, please follow the COVID safety guidelines as advised by the Queensland Government.

Walaikum Salam WR WB. May Allah SWT protect and guide all of us to the right path. Ameen.
- Dr Shaheed Chowdhury

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If you are willing to donate \$50/month to our Imam fund, please contact Br Ahmed Osman on 0435 854 117 to provide your details.
- ZOOM every Wednesday following Maghrib.
- If you would like to represent your country in the upcoming 2021 Multicultural Soccer Tournament, Please contact Ss. Ferzana on 0425 000 822 to provide your details. The tournament will be held in March so you need to register ASAP.
- All Madrasah classes have officially been moved to the house next door to the Mosque at 185 Ross River Road.
- TIS, in association with Australian Islamic Medical Association (AIMA), Islamic Medical Association QLD (IMAQ) and Lifeblood (Red Cross) is holding a national annual blood drive to help save lives. On Friday the 29th of January, a male and female representative from Lifeblood will be attending the mosque during Jummu'ah prayer to register people who are willing to donate blood. During the registration, you will be able to choose a later date to make your donation. We encourage everyone who can to donate their blood.

MADRASAH TIMETABLE

- M:** Asr (Br Osman: Al Qur'an)
- T:** Asr (Br Osman: Al Qur'an); Maghrib (Sh. Abdelkhani: Al Qur'an)
- W:** Asr (Br Osman: Al Qur'an); Maghrib (Sh. Abdikarim: Sirah, Hadiths & Zoom)
- TH:** Asr (Br Osman: Al Qur'an); Maghrib (Sh. Abdikarim: Hadiths)
- F:** Sunset (Sh. Abdelkhani: Al Qur'an)
- SA:** Sunset (Sh. Abdelkhani: Al Qur'an)
- SU:** Sunset (Sh. Abdelkhani: Al Qur'an)

KHUTBAH SUMMARY

TOPIC: PATIENCE IN ISLAM (SABR)

Definition: Patience is defined as accepting what is beyond our control without despair. The Arabic word for patience is "Sabr" and it originates from a root word meaning 'to stop and refrain.'

Ibnu Al-Qayim, a prominent scholar, said patience is having the ability to stop ourselves from despairing and to refrain from complaining in times of calamities.

There are 3 types of patience:

1. Being patient in obeying the commandments of Allah.
2. Being patient in avoiding all kinds of disobedience (sins).
3. Being patient and accepting the will of Allah and whatever tests and trials we are subjected to.

The rewards of being patient include:

1. Entering Jannah or Paradise.
2. Our deeds are multiplied and we are rewarded without measure.
3. Our parents and offspring are also admitted to enter Jannah because of our patience.

[Credit: Sheikh Abdikarim]

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

DECEMBER 2020

General account - amount received: \$5,888

General account - amount spent: \$4,666

Imam account - amount received: \$1,835

Contact us:

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Donate to the TIS account:

BSB: 064-823

ACC: 1077 9034

Donate to the Imam fund account:

BSB: 064-823

ACC: 1104 4507

Jama'at Prayer Times:

Fajr 4:45

Zuhr 13:00

Asr 16:30

Maghrib soon after sunset

Isha 20:30

Jummu'ah 13:00

