



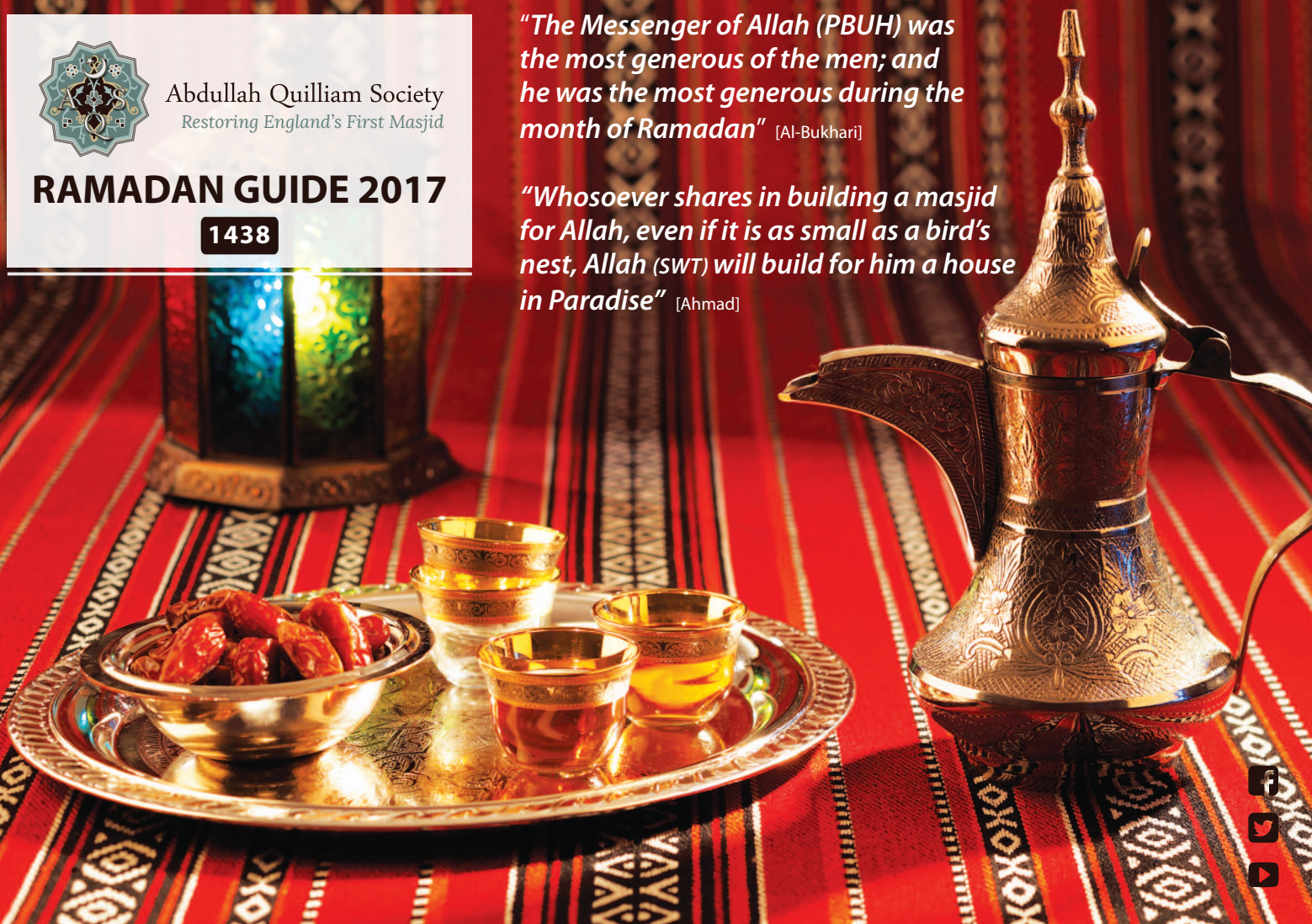
Abdullah Quilliam Society
Restoring England's First Masjid

RAMADAN GUIDE 2017

1438

"The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) was the most generous of the men; and he was the most generous during the month of Ramadan" [Al-Bukhari]

"Whosoever shares in building a masjid for Allah, even if it is as small as a bird's nest, Allah (SWT) will build for him a house in Paradise" [Ahmad]





"Ramadan Mubarak and welcome to England's First Mosque.

This is the fourth year of Ramadan we are celebrating after our re-opening of the historic Mosque after 106 years. Due to popular demand we have invited Qari Sheikh Essa Al-Hussaini, whose beautiful recitation I am sure you will enjoy and remember. He has been especially selected by Kuwaiti TV for leading tarawih alongside Shuyukh such as Imam Abu Bakr Al-Shatri. As last year, we are hoping to complete the Khatam of the Qur'an during Ramadan, inshaAllah. You can attend his Qur'an sessions after Asr prayers every day for the whole month.

We have a great line of programmes for you to attend and develop spiritually. Please take time to attend these as much as possible. There are facilities for all the family even though the refurbishment works are still ongoing. We are honoured again to present to you our second Ramadan Guide. Please take time to read through it as I am sure that you will find it very beneficial, inshaAllah. Furthermore, you will learn more about this historic mosque and Sheikh Abdullah Quilliam himself. Full details with documentaries and restoration work along with future plans are on our website.

We invite you to become a part of this exciting history. We will also celebrate a national event, The Big Iftar on 17th June 2017 where we will invite all our non-Muslim friends to join us for a talk on Islam and Abdullah Quilliam. Dr Mohammed Seddon one of our Trustees will be the main speaker.

Please come together to help restore England's First Mosque and earn your reward in the hereafter. May Allah (SWT) accept all of our prayers; fasts and good deeds, Ameen.

Please remember the Ummah in your duas and give generously in this holy month."

[1st Ramadan 1438, May 2017]

Galib Khan, Chair of Abdullah Quilliam Society



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As one of Islam's five pillars, fasting in Ramadan was prescribed by Allah(SWT) as an obligatory act for all those who are able to. Fasting, however, is more than just a simple act of worship. It has a holistic influence on our physical and mental states, offering benefit for both.

The Qur'an states:

"Oh you who believe! Fasting is prescribed to you as it was prescribed to those before you, that you may learn piety and righteousness."

{Qur'an 2:183}

Fasting connects us to Allah (SWT). Abstaining from physical desires raises our state of taqwa - consciousness of Allah (SWT) - and allows us to refocus on our spiritual state.

During Ramadan Allah (SWT) showers us with His mercy. The gates of Hellfire are closed and the gates of Paradise are opened.

It cleanses your body from harmful impurities and revitalises your soul by teaching self-control and self-discipline.

Fasting encourages us to sympathise with those less fortunate than us. The pangs of hunger remind us of those unable to afford food, thus encouraging charitable acts.

Fasting removes past sins. It is related in a hadith that Allah (SWT) said, "Every (sinful) deed can be expiated; and the fast is for Me, so I will give the reward for it; and the smell which comes out of the mouth of a fasting person, is better in Allah's sight than the smell of musk." {Bukhari}

Iftar at England's First Mosque



For the fasting person there are two times of joy; "A time of joy when he breaks his fast and a time of joy when he meets his Lord." {Muslim}

The Prophet (PBUH): said: "There are three people whose supplications are not rejected: the fasting person when he breaks the fast, the just ruler and the supplication of the oppressed" {Tirmidhi}

"The best charity is that given in Ramadan" {Al-Tirmidhi}

"What is our Life? A breath, a moan, a sigh, A laugh, a smile, a cry, A storm, a sob, a calm, Tumult, some joy, some harm. An earthly moment brief, That longs for some relief and freedom from stern strife, Such, ever such, our life."

Poem by Sheikh Abdullah Quilliam, What is Life? 21st July, 1907



Ramadan is a time when duas are of greater weight and are more powerful. In addition to the duas below, to pray for ones needs, family, friends, the Ummah and for all humanity is also recommended.

Intention for beginning the fast

Recommended to read the night before the fast

وَبِصَوْمٍ غَدٍ نَّوَيْتُ مِنْ شَهْرِ رَمَضَانَ

"Wa bisawmi ghadin nawaytu min shahri ramadaan."

"I intend to keep the fast tomorrow in the month of Ramadan."

Dua for breaking the fast

اللَّهُمَّ لَكَ صُمْتُ وَبِكَ أَمِنْتُ
وَعَلَيْكَ تَوَكَّلْتُ وَعَلَى رِزْقِكَ أَفْطَرْتُ

"Allahumma laka sumtu wa bika aamantu wa 'alayka tawakkaltu wa 'alaa rizqika aftartu."

"O Allah! I fasted for You and I believe in You and I put my trust in You and I break my fast with Your sustenance."

Recommended dua for Ramadan

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّكَ عَفُوٌّ كَرِيمٌ تُحِبُّ الْعَفْوَ فَاعْفُ عَنِّي

"Allahumma innaka 'afuwun kareemun tuhibbul 'afwa fa'fu 'annee."

"O Allah, You are the best forgiver. You love forgiveness, so forgive me."

Ramadan is the month in which the Qur'an was revealed, so what better time to reconnect ourselves to Allah (SWT) through it. It was sent to mankind as a complete and perfect guidance, and such is the greatness of this gift from Allah (SWT) that He has said: *"If We had sent down this Qur'an upon a mountain, you would have seen it humbled and coming apart from fear of Allah. And these examples We present to the people that perhaps they will give thought."* {Qur'an 59:21}

Allah (SWT) has indeed blessed us with the Qur'an as a guidance from darkness into light {Qur'an 14:11} thus, it is a must for us to recite it often, act upon its guidance and show it the proper etiquette and reverence. Indeed, Allah (SWT) has said, *"Whosoever exalts the signs of Allah, that is indeed from the piety of hearts."* {Qur'an 22:32}



Some Merits of Reading the Qur'an	Some Etiquettes of Reading the Qur'an (Taken from Imam an-Nawawi's Al Tibyan fi Adab Hamalat al Qur'an)
The Prophet (PBUH) said, <i>"The best amongst you is the one who learns the Qur'an and teaches it."</i> {Bukhari}	Make Wudhu to be in a state of ritual purity.
The Qur'an will intercede for its readers on the day of resurrection {Muslim}	Wear clean clothes.
Each letter read from the Qur'an is rewarded with a good deed, and each good deed is rewarded ten-fold {Tirmidhi}	Begin with a sincere intention, seeking Allah's (SWT) pleasure and not for worldly gain.
Reading Qur'an is a form of remembrance of Allah (SWT), of which we are told: <i>"Verily, in the remembrance of Allah do hearts find rest!"</i> {Qur'an 13:28}	Sit calmly, avoiding unnecessary movement and face the qibla.

Daily activities during Ramadan

Use the daily checklist below to help motivate you throughout Ramadan

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Worship																														
Prayed my five daily Salaat																														
Prayed Qiyam-ul-layl (Tahajjud)																														
Made morning Dhikr (Remembrance of Allah*) after Salaat ul-Fajr																														
Prayed Tarawih																														
Prayed Nafil (optional) Salaat																														
Read and memorised at least 2 duas in this booklet																														
Qur'an																														
Reading translation (Tilawat) & commentary (Tafseer)																														
Reflection																														
Memorisation																														
Charity																														
Paid Zakat (if applicable)																														
Paid Zakat ul-Fitr (for the month)																														
Paid Sadaqah																														
Sunnah																														
Practise at least one Sunnah of the Prophet (PBUH)																														
My Actions																														
Did some exercise & tried best to take care of my body																														
Did something special for my parents																														
Made one person smile																														
Removed harm from the path of at least one person																														
Reflected upon myself and my actions																														
Increased knowledge through reading or listening to a talk																														
Read Surah Mulk before going to sleep																														



W.H. QUILLIAM, Esq.

William Henry Quilliam, a local Liverpool solicitor and resident embraced Islam in 1887 (aged 31), after returning from a visit to Morocco, and took on the name Abdullah. He claimed that he was the first native Englishman to embrace Islam. His conversion led to a remarkable story of the growth of Islam in Victorian Britain. This history is now beginning to emerge and has important lessons for Muslims in Britain and around the world.

After embracing Islam, Quilliam began a campaign of Dawah, which in the circumstances of Victorian England, has to be described as the most effective in the UK to date.



Sultan Abdul Hamid II

He became an Alim, an Imam and the most passionate advocate of Islam in the Western world. In 1894 Sultan Abdul Hamid II, the last Ottoman Caliph, appointed him Sheikh-ul-Islam of the British Isles.

The Emir of Afghanistan recognised him as the Sheikh of Muslims in Britain. He was also appointed as the Persian Vice Counsel to Liverpool by the Shah. He became a prominent spokesman for Islam in the media and was recognised by Muslims around the world. He is the only Muslim in Britain to have officially held the position of Sheikh-ul-Islam of Britain. He issued many Fatwas in his capacity as appointed Leader of Muslims in Britain. These fatwas are relevant even today.

He established the Mosque and Liverpool Muslim Institute at No. 8 Brougham Terrace and later purchased the remainder of the terrace, and opened a boarding school for boys and a day school for girls. He also opened an orphanage (Medina House) for non-Muslim children whose parents could not look after them, and agreed to for them to be raised in the values of Islam.



Inside of England's First Mosque 1889



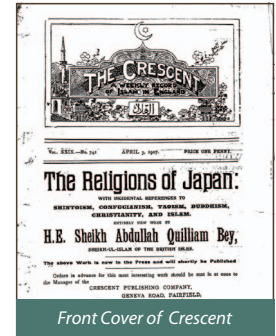
(Top left)
Prayer Hall in 2012

(Top right)
Refurbished Prayer
Hall 2016

(Bottom left)
Rear of Prayer Hall
2012

(Bottom right)
Refurbished rear of
Prayer Hall 2016

In 1893 the Institute published a weekly magazine: 'The Crescent', and later added the monthly 'Islamic World', which was printed on the Institute's own press and distributed to over 20 countries. The Crescent was published every week from 1893-1908 (nearly 800 editions), and was effectively a dairy and record of Islam in Britain and around the world. There are hundreds of archive copies of these magazines in the British Library. Without this unique weekly record we would not know of the existence of this native Muslim community of around 200 people in Liverpool, and many other parts of Britain. These offer the first attempt at Muslim journalism in the UK and offer a unique insight into a British Muslims view of events and issues in Liverpool, the UK and the Muslim world, at a crucial period of Muslims living under colonial rule.



Front Cover of Crescent

He wrote and published a number of books. In particular his "Faith of Islam" had three editions translated into thirteen different languages, and was so popular that Queen Victoria ordered a copy and re-ordered copies for her children. The Institute grew, and at the turn of the century held a membership of 200 predominantly English Muslim men, women and children from across the local community. Quilliam's dawah led to around 600 people in the UK embracing Islam, many of them very educated and prominent individuals in British Society, as well as ordinary men and women. His efforts also led to the first Japanese man embracing Islam.

Quilliam eventually had to leave England after facing persecution, the first Muslim experience of "Islamophobia" in the UK. He returned to the UK and adopted the name Haroun Mustapha Leon, and passed away in 1932 near Woking, and was buried in Brookfield Cemetery where Abdullah Yusuf Ali, Marmaduke Pickthall and Lord Headly are also buried.



The Abdullah Quilliam Society (AQS) is a UK registered charity founded in 1998 by a small group of Liverpool Muslims, including Dr. Muhammad Akbar Ali, Galib Khan, Zia Choudri, Mrs. Abassi, Somaya and Rashid Macteer. They became aware of a unique heritage of Islam in Victorian Britain, in the city of Liverpool. This history was located in the Liverpool City Council registry office for births, deaths and marriages. This building was once

the site of the historic first UK Mosque, Muslim community Institutions and Dawah activities of Sheikh Abdullah Quilliam from 1889-1908. Staff at the registry office would often refer to the room where all the files of births, deaths and marriages were stored as "the little Mosque" without realising the significance or history behind it. So by an amazing coincidence of history, almost every Liverpool resident for a decade has visited this historic building and many have had their marriage ceremony performed in it.



The late Dr. Muhammad Akbar Ali MBE - AQS Founder

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of renovation. Once the AQS has funds to renovate the building, Liverpool Council will transfer ownership to the Society.

Over the years AQS has given numerous talks on this important history and hosted many visitors and media. The Society has now completely renovated the roof, which was decaying and leaking. The Mosque and remainder of the building still need renovation. The Society has kept this unique history alive through many talks, visits and media interviews. It has also encouraged people to further research this heritage. Last year, a new book was published, "Islam in Victorian Britain: The Life and Times of Abdullah Quilliam" by Professor Ron Geaves. This book gives a unique insight into the building, the life of Sheikh Quilliam and the first established Muslim Community in Britain.

"Whoever builds a mosque for Allah, Allah will build for him likewise in Paradise" (Sahih Al-Bukhari)

The Society has exciting plans to renovate the building and re-create the first Institutions of Islam in Britain. It also has exciting plans to further research, exhibit and bring to life the stories of the 600 first native Britons to embrace Islam. Our plans to recreate this building and history are important to Muslims in Europe, America, Japan, and the Muslim world.



What can I do to help?

Ways of how to donate on Pg 16

The Abdullah Quilliam Mosque was re-opened in June 2014 with the help of Muslim brothers and sisters in UK. Regular congregational daily and Jumah prayers are held in the mosque and the Brougham Terraces is now fully functional as originally started by Abdullah Quilliam in 1889. The madrassah and dawah services are continuing on a limited scale due to shortage of teaching spaces available in the buildings. Muslim and non-Muslim visitors come on a regular basis to visit this historic site. They are currently being shown work in progress. The limited space refurbished is inadequate to serve the number of worshippers, students and visitors. Therefore expanding the usable area in this building is our priority now.

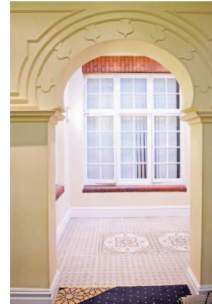


Open Day on 27.06.14

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Images of completed works and work in progress at the historic masjid.



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Ramadan Timetable 2017 (1438)

Ramadan Programmes in England's First Mosque
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Ramadan	Day	May June	Suhoor Ends	Fajr Jama'ah 15mins after Adhan	Sunrise	Zuhr Jama'ah	Asr Jamaat	Magrib Fast ends	Isha /Tarawih
1	Sat	27	2:53	3:08	4:56	1:30	6:00	9:23	11:00
2	Sun	28	2:52	3:07	4:55	1:30	6:00	9:25	11:00
3	Mon	29	2:51	3:06	4:54	1:30	6:00	9:26	11:00
4	Tue	30	2:49	3:04	4:53	1:30	6:00	9:27	11:00
5	Wed	31	2:47	3:02	4:52	1:30	6:00	9:28	11:00
6	Thu	1	2:46	3:01	4:51	1:30	6:00	9:30	11:00
7	Fri	2	2:45	3:00	4:50	1:20	6:00	9:31	11:00
8	Sat	3	2:44	2:59	4:49	1:30	6:00	9:32	11:00
9	Sun	4	2:42	2:57	4:48	1:30	6:00	9:33	11:00
10	Mon	5	2:40	2:55	4:48	1:30	6:00	9:34	11:00
11	Tue	6	2:39	2:54	4:47	1:30	6:00	9:35	11:00
12	Wed	7	2:38	2:53	4:46	1:30	6:00	9:36	11:00
13	Thu	8	2:38	2:53	4:46	1:30	6:00	9:37	11:00
14	Fri	9	2:37	2:52	4:45	1:20	6:00	9:38	11:00
15	Sat	10	2:36	2:51	4:44	1:30	6:00	9:38	11:00
16	Sun	11	2:36	2:51	4:44	1:30	6:00	9:39	11:00
17	Mon	12	2:35	2:50	4:44	1:30	6:00	9:40	11:00
18	Tue	13	2:34	2:49	4:44	1:30	6:00	9:41	11:05
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23	Sun	18	2:32	2:47	4:42	1:30	6:00	9:43	11:05
24	Mon	19	2:31	2:46	4:42	1:30	6:00	9:43	11:05
25	Tue	20	2:31	2:46	4:42	1:30	6:00	9:43	11:05
26	Wed	21	2:31	2:46	4:42	1:30	6:00	9:44	11:05
27	Thu	22	2:32	2:47	4:42	1:30	6:00	9:44	11:05
28	Fri	23	2:32	2:47	4:42	1:20	6:00	9:44	11:05
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Note: The beginning and end of Ramadan is subject to the sighting of the new moon.

Eid Prayers: 1st Jamaat: **7:30 am** | 2nd Jamaat: **8:30 am** | 3rd Jamaat: **9:30 am**

Tarawih & Qiyam-ul-layl programme:

From Isha to Fajr (Suhoor provided)

Come and listen to the beautiful Tarawih led by Sheikh Essa Al Hussaini (Kuwait)

The Khatam of the Quran will be completed on the 28th of Ramadan.



Daily Quran Classes/Recitation:

After Asr daily: Quran recitation (Khatam) by Sheikh Waddah Saleh (Imam of Abdullah Quilliam Mosque)



Tahajjud & I'tikaf Programmes:

Within the last 10 days. As above. Additional programmes TBA



BIG IFTAR (National Event) @ England's First Mosque

Bring your Non-Muslim friends/neighbours to Iftar.
Saturday 17th June, 8pm



Saturday 17th June, 8pm

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International Eid Festival @ England's First Mosque: TBA

Eid Gift distribution for neighbours: Spread some love and peace! TBA

The past developments of the masjid

PHASE ONE



In 2006 and 2007, a number of vandal attacks, roof lead flashing and internal copper pipe theft occurred. This led to ingress of water and development of Timber Wet & Dry Rot and massive internal damage to the buildings. The whole building had to be made water tight requiring re-roofed with Welsh Slates and lead flashings and guttering as required for a Listed Building.



Front elevation of masjid

We completed Phase One in December 2008



PHASE TWO



This stage of works involved re-opening the Mosque after 106 years of closure. Phase Two was restricted to the Ground Floor of 8 Brougham Terrace only.



Phase 2 started June 2013 and completed in July 2014

PHASE 3 & 4



Immediately after opening the historic Mosque, demand from national and even international groups of Muslims required more facilities and services. Ground floor of 9 and 10 Brougham Terraces was urgently needed to cater for the large number of congregation who attended during the Ramadan and on Fridays.

Temporary arrangements were made to accommodate the demand.

Following on, a group of committed Muslims was formed to forward plan the development. Invitation to join the Project Development Group was publicised during Jummah Prayer. A group of 10 persons joined this group. Several plan options were developed and discussed over a period two months. They were also displayed for the whole congregation to comment on and an amended Phased Development Plan was adopted. This adopted plan was also discussed with the Planners, Conservation Officer and Building Control Inspector for their comments. This process will continue up to the receipt of formal approval and construction to proceed.

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We intend to complete Phase 3 & 4 by December 2017



Above: Current wudu area - work in progress

Below: New proposed wudu area. Includes water features on wall and floor, natural plants and sandstone tiles.





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Preserving our Islamic heritage in the UK
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Est. 1887

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Please Donate and save our heritage



New refurbished prayer hall



Student accommodation



Restoring Victorian stove



Restoring Victorian kitchen

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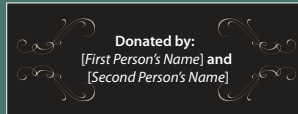
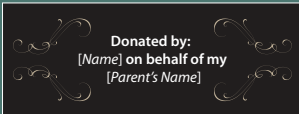
In this blessed month of Ramadan your donations will reap seventy times more reward than in any other month.

In this month the aim of the AQS is raise enough funds to complete Phase 3 and 4.

DONOR'S WALL

Become a refounding member of England's First Mosque

We will display your name on an individual plaque displayed on a donors wall within England's First Mosque founded by Abdullah Quilliam to those who donate £1000 or more.



Some plaque example types

Ramadan is a month of giving, and it was in this month that the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) would increase his acts of charity.

Indeed, the Prophet (PBUH) said: *"The best charity is that given in Ramadan."* {Tirmidhi}

Virtues of Giving

- 1 A man asked the Messenger of Allah (PBUH): *"Which act in Islam is the best?"* He (PBUH) replied: *"To feed (the poor and the needy) and to greet those whom you know and those you do not know."* {Bukhari and Muslim}
- 2 Giving charity removes sins, as Allah's Messenger (PBUH) said: *"Charity extinguishes sin as water extinguishes fire."* {Tirmidhi}
- 3 The one who gives does not lose anything, but is recompensed with a great reward from Allah (SWT). {see: Qur'an 57:7}
- 4 The Prophet (PBUH) said: *"He who feeds a fasting person will gain the same reward as he will, without decreasing from the fasting person's rewards."*

A recurrent charity, or Sadaqah Jariyah, brings reward to the giver so long as their charity continues to help and benefit others. The few examples of Sadaqah Jariyah are:

- Building a well
- Educating a child
- Building a Mosque
- Planting a tree

"Whoever builds a mosque for Allah, Allah will build for him likewise in Paradise" {Sahih Al-Bukhari}

The Prophet Muhammad (Peace be upon him) has made it easier for us to gain the full blessings of Ramadan by dividing the month into three parts of ten days each, with each part having its own special significance.

The **first third** of this month are the days of mercy from Allah, the **second third** are the days of forgiveness of Allah, and the **last third** is salvation from the Hellfire.

Here are some selected duas to take you through all three stages to help you make the most of the blessings of Ramadan.

اَللّٰهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِيْ وَارْحَمْنِيْ
وَاجْبُرْنِيْ وَاهْدِنِيْ وَارْزُقْنِيْ

Allahummaghfir lee
warhamnee wajburnee
wahdinee warzuqnee.

"O Allah! Forgive me, have
mercy on me, help me,
guide me and sustain me."
{at-Tirmidhi al Tabarani}

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ سُبْحَانَكَ
اَللّٰهُمَّ اَسْتَغْفِرُكَ لِذَنْبِيْ وَاَسْأَلُكَ
رَحْمَتَكَ اَللّٰهُمَّ زِدْنِيْ عِلْمًا وَلَا
تُرْغِ قَلْبِيْ بَعْدَ اِذْ هَدَيْتَنِيْ
وَهَبْ لِيْ مِنْ لَّدُنْكَ رَحْمَةً اِنَّكَ
اَنْتَ الْوَهَّابُ

Laa ilaaha illaa anta subhaanak.
Allahumma astaghfiruka lee
dhambee wa as-aluka rahmata.
Allaahumma zidnee 'ilmaw-walaa
tuzigh qalbee b'ada idh
hadaytanee wahab leemilladunka
rahmatan innaka
antal-wahhaab.

"There is no God except you.
You are glorified. O Allah! I seek
Your forgiveness for my sins, I
ask You for Your mercy. O Allah!
increase me in knowledge and
do not misguide my heart after
having guided me. And grant
me mercy from Your treasure.
Verily you are the giver."

{Al-Hakim, Ibn Hibban and Abu Dawud}

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ بِنِعْمَتِكَ السَّابِغَةِ الَّتِي
أَنْعَمْتَ بِهَا عَلَيَّ وَبِلَائِكَ الَّذِي ابْتَلَيْتَنِي
وَبِفَضْلِكَ الَّذِي أَفْضَلْتَ عَلَيَّ أَنْ تُدْخِلَنِي الْجَنَّةَ
اللَّهُمَّ أَدْخِلْنِي الْجَنَّةَ بِفَضْلِكَ وَمِنْكَ وَرَحْمَتِكَ

Allahumma innee as-aluka bini'matika-assaabighati allatee
an'amta bihaa 'alaiyya wa balaa-ikal-ladhee ibtalaitanee wa
bifadlikal-ladhee afdalta 'alayya an tudkhilaniyal-jannah.
Allahumma adkhilnee aljannata bifadlika wa mannika wa
rahmatika.

"O Allah! I ask You by medium of Your abundant blessings that
You have blessed me with and by medium of Your trials that You
have tested me with and by medium of Your trials that You have
favoured me with that You enter me in Paradise. O Allah! enter
me into paradise with Your favour, boon and mercy."

{Al-Tabarani}

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ الْجَنَّةَ وَمَا قَرَّبَ إِلَيْهَا مِنْ قَوْلٍ أَوْ عَمَلٍ
وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنَ النَّارِ وَمَا قَرَّبَ إِلَيْهَا مِنْ قَوْلٍ أَوْ عَمَلٍ
وَأَسْأَلُكَ أَنْ تَجْعَلَ كُلَّ قَضَاءٍ قَضَيْتَهُ لِي خَيْرًا

Allahumma innee as-aluka-aljannata wa na'eemahaa wa
bahjatahaa wa a'oodhu bika minan-naari wa maa qarraba
ilayhaa min qawlin aw 'amal. Wa as-aluka an taj'ala kulla
qadaa-in qadaitahoo lee khayraa.

"O Allah! I ask You for paradise and whatever words and
actions may take me near it. I seek your protection from
the fire and whatever words or actions that may take me
near it. I beseech You to make Your decisions for me good."

{Ahmad Ibn Majah - similar wording in Al-Hakim and Al-Adab Al-Mufrad of Al-Bukhari}

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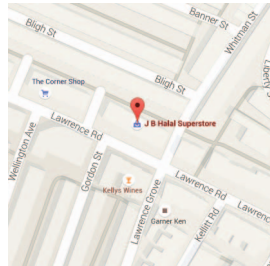


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Mersey Care, PSS and Mary Seacole House have come together to deliver the community development service, a project that is working for better mental health for everyone living in Liverpool.

What we do...

- We work with both communities and the mental health services that are currently provided in the city. We make sure these services truly understand the groups of people they work with across Liverpool, so that you feel confident to use mental health services if and when you need to.
- One of our focuses is on working with people from around the world who now live in Liverpool, looking into ways for mental health services to overcome language and cultural barriers which form a big part of what we do.

What we can help with...

- Finding the right mental health service for you, making sure it's as easy as possible for you to get involved.
- Supporting you to get hold of the right information in a format and language that works for you.
- Give feedback on the support you've received online, offline and over the phone.

Working with you and your community...

- We want to identify better ways for mental health services to help you and your community improve your overall mental wellbeing.
- We are keen to help your community/group support each other, would also want to encourage you to express your experiences of mental health and services to better inform service provision.
- We'll also be able to voice your concerns and raise any issues you're having with Social Care, Community Support and NHS services, so we can make sure your voice is heard and the services are improved.



Merseyside Fire & Rescue Service is urging people in the local Muslim communities to take care and stay safe from fires in the kitchen during Ramadan.

Ramadan takes place for 30 days from Saturday, May 27th to Sunday, June 25th and those participating in the religious observance of Ramadan will fast between sunrise and sunset throughout that period.

Group Manager Gary Oakford said: *"We hope people in our Muslim communities have a very safe Ramadan."*

"We would urge people to take extra care when preparing food and be extra vigilant in the kitchen to prevent fires."

"People are advised to ensure they switch cooking appliances off after use and to never leave food cooking unattended."

"Tea towels should be kept away from the hob and people are advised to take extra care when wearing loose clothing."

"People are also urged to ensure they have working smoke alarms fitted on each floor of their home, which should be tested each week. A working smoke alarm can give the vital seconds to escape a property in the event of a fire."



Here are some safety tips to help stay safe from fires during Ramadan:

- Ensure cookers and appliances are switched off after use.
- Never leave food cooking unattended.
- Keep combustible materials such as tea towels and cloths away from the hob.
- Take extra care if wearing loose clothing and if possible tie back loose clothing while cooking.
- Ensure pans are never more than a third full with oil.
- Never throw water on a burning pan.
- People should never attempt to tackle a pan fire.
- In the event of a fire they should, get out stay out and call 999.
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On Sunday 6th February 2017, the Abdullah Quilliam Mosque and Heritage Centre hosted a Victorian themed open day for the general public as part of a national initiative called "Visit my mosque" where 100s of mosques across the country, including several in Liverpool, are opening their doors to people of all faiths and none. The open day celebrated the life and era of Quilliam featuring displays of Victorian costumes, horse rides (Quilliam's preferred mode of transport), Victorian styled candy carts, renditions of Islamic hymns Quilliam would have sang, and Victorian "high tea" being served during tours of the building. One visitor named Alison remarked:

"What an enjoyable & enlightening afternoon myself and my son had. It was a lovely afternoon listening to how sympathetically the building is getting restored and listen to interesting facts on Islam in a world where racism is rife."



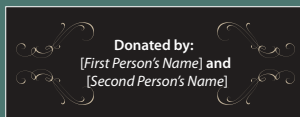
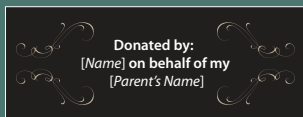
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