



Nigeria Muslim Forum (UK)

NMF, P.O. Box 25131, London, SW1P 4WD

15th April 2005

Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullah,
Brother/Sister.

INVITATION TO THE 2005 SPRING CONFERENCE

You are cordially invited to attend this year's Spring Conference organised by the Nigeria Muslim Forum (UK). It is scheduled to take place at Conference Hall, Green Lane Islamic Centre, 20 Green Lane, Small Heath, Birmingham B9 5DB. Tel: 0121-7730019/7730049.

THEME: Globalisation and Islamic Revival in Nigeria: Prospects and Threats

This year's Spring Conference is planned to be a one-day event, scheduled to take place on Saturday 30th April 2005 at the Lecture Hall of the above address.

Scheduled Activities

Activities scheduled for the day include Lectures and a Workshop/Discussion Session. Topics to be examined include Globalisation and Islamic Revival, Umar Ibn Abdul'Aziz and Sultan Bello: A Comparative Study in the Learning, Piety and Good Governance of two Muslim Rulers, The Role of Muslim Doctors in Diaspora in the Development of Muslim Hospitals in Nigeria, The Challenges of Bringing up Children in the West, and a Workshop/Discussion on the Challenges of Globalisation to Islamic Revival in Nigeria.

Invited speakers include Professor Dawud Noibi, IQRA Trust, London, Dr Kemal Helbawi, Senior Elder and first President, Muslim Association of Britain (MAB), Dr Abdullahi Shehu, Consultant Neurologist and Chairman, Muslim Doctors and Dentists Association (MDDA), and Ustadh Usman B. Shuaibu, Lecturer in Islamic Law, Bayero University, Kano.

Crèche Facility

Adequate arrangements have been made for a crèche facility for those that will require the service. The cost is £5:00 per child for the day or £10 for two or more children per family.

Feeding

Adequate arrangements have been made for feeding.

May Allah (SWT) enable you and your family, as well as other brothers and sisters in your locality to attend, ameen.

Enclosed is the Programme of Events and direction to the venue.

Usman Abdullahi
For: Organising Committee.

Direction to the Venue

(Conference Centre, Green Lane Islamic Centre, Green Lane - Small Heath, Birmingham)



Traveling by Car:

Birmingham is at the heart of the UK's road and rail network, and is easily accessible from other parts of the country and beyond. The following is a guide of how to get to Birmingham from the major cities of the UK.

- **From London:**

Leave London and join the M1 at the M1/J1 junction signposted [M1] The North. Continue on M1 until you reach junction 19 of the M1. Leave the M1 at junction M1/J19 and straight ahead into M6 signposted [M6] The North West, Coventry (North), Birmingham. Continue on M6 until you reach junction 6. Leave the M6 at junction 6 signposted Birmingham Central and North East, then join Aston Expressway - A38(M) motorway. Leave Aston Expressway at junction 6, then merge onto Aston Road [A5127] signposted Ring Road and Other Routes. Continue on Aston Road until you reach Dartmouth Circus (junction 13), and at roundabout take the 1st exit onto Dartmouth Middleway [A4540] signposted Ring Road, Birmingham Airport/NEC A45. Continue following the directions for Ring Road, M5, Birmingham Airport/NEC A45 until you reach junction 18. At the roundabout of junction 18 (Bordesley Circus) take the 1st exit onto Coventry Road [B4128] signposted Small Heath, Bordesley. Continue on Coventry Road until you reach the junction with Green Lane. Turn left onto Green Lane. The Centre is few yards away from the junction (see map above).

- **From Other Cities:**

Head towards M1/M6 and use the direction given above (for London).

For further information and directions, visit either the AA site at

http://www.theaa.com/travelwatch/inc/planner_main.jsp or the RAC site at

<http://www.rac.co.uk>

By Rail:

Intercity trains operate frequent services from London, Leeds, Leicester, Manchester and other cities. All inter-city services to Birmingham arrive at **New Street** station. Taxis and local buses are available on ranks at the train station, and the journey to the Conference Centre costs about £3:00.

By Bus:

There are frequent long distance bus services to Birmingham from all major cities in the UK. All National Express cross country coach services to Birmingham arrive at **Digbeth** station. Currently the National Express has promotions for travelers. You can travel to anywhere for only £10. For information on this promotion, times and other National Coach Services please visit the National Express site: <http://www.nationalexpress.co.uk>. Taxis and local buses are also available on ranks at the Bus station.

Date: Saturday 30th April 2005
Time: 9:30 am – 8:00 pm
Venue: Conference Hall, Green Lane Islamic Centre, 20 Green Lane,
Small Heath, Birmingham.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

8:30 - 9:40 am Arrival and Registration

9:40 - 9:50 am Opening Du' a & Recitation from the Holy Qur' an

9:50 - 10:15 am Welcome address by the Amir, NMF (UK) Mallam Muhammad Kyari

10:15 - 11:30 am **Lecture I:**

Umar Ibn Abdul'Aziz and Sultan Bello: A Comparative Study in the Learning, Piety and Good Governance of two Muslim Rulers

Speaker: Professor Daud Noibi, IQRA Trust, London.

11:30 am - 12:30 pm **Lecture II: The Challenges of Bringing up Children in the West**

12:30 - 3:00 pm Break for Lunch, Zuhr & Asr

3:15 - 4:15 pm **Lecture III:**

Globalisation & Islamic Revival in Nigeria: Prospects and Challenges

Speaker: Dr Kemal El-Helbawi, First President, Muslim Association of Britain (MAB)

4:15 - 5:15 pm **Lecture IV:**

The Role of Muslim Doctors in Diaspora in the Development of Nigerian Hospitals

Speaker: Dr Abdullahi Shehu, Consultant Neurologist and Chairman Muslim Doctors and Dentists' Association (MDDA)

5:15 - 6:00 pm Tea & Coffee Break

6:00 - 7:00 pm **Discussion: The Challenges of Globalisation to Islamic Renaissance**

Co-ordinator: Ustadh Usman M. Shuaib, Lecturer, Department of Law, BUK - Kano

7:00 - 7:15 pm Vote of Thanks by Mallam Ahmad Sani, Regional Amir, Birmingham

7:15 - 8:00 pm Departure