



EDITORIAL

The Epitome of Morality

In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful. All praise is due to Allah, He alone we worship and He alone we ask for help. We are grateful to Him for sending His messenger, Muhammad (SAW), who was raised to perfect the best of morality.

Events of the last few months have indicated the need for more understanding and awareness on the life of Prophet Muhammad (SAW), whose personality was caricatured by some newspapers, the effect of which resulted in demonstrations and further widening the gulf of misunderstanding between Muslims and the adherents of other religions, as well as those who are atheists in nature.

While we understand the need for freedom of speech, and the liberty of the individual to express his opinion, we also believe that in exercising such freedom, there comes a responsibility to honour and dignify the faith of others.

Misunderstanding about the Islamic faith has grown deeply especially after the end of the cold war, and with the contribution of some scholars like Francis Fukuyama's *End of History and the Last Man*, as well as Samuel Huntington's *Clash of Civilisation and the Remaking of World Order*, contributions that have predicted the inevitability
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YOU SHOULD KNOW THIS MAN - MUHAMMAD [SAW]

Encyclopedia Britannica confirms: "...a mass of detail in the early sources shows that he was an honest and upright man who had gained the respect and loyalty of others who were likewise honest and upright men." (Vol. 12)

George Bernard Shaw said about him: "He must be called the Saviour of Humanity. I believe that if a man like him were to assume the dictatorship of the modern world, he would succeed in solving its problems in a way that would bring it much needed peace and happiness." (*The Genuine Islam*, Singapore, Vol. 1, No. 8, 1936)

He was by far the most remarkable man that ever set foot on this earth. He preached a religion, founded a state, built a nation, laid down a moral code, initiated numerous social and political reforms, established a powerful and dynamic society to practice and represent his teachings and completely revolutionized the worlds of human thought and behaviour for all times to come.

His name is Muhammad May the Peace and Blessings of Allah Be Upon Him (SAW). He was born in Arabia in the year 570 C.E. (common era), started his mission of preaching the religion of Truth, Islam (submission to One God, Allah) at the age of forty and departed from this world at the age of sixty-three.

During this short period of 23 years of his prophethood, he changed the complete Arabian peninsula from paganism and idolatry to the worship of One God, from tribal quarrels and wars to national solidarity and cohesion, from

drunkenness and debauchery to sobriety and piety, from lawlessness and anarchy to disciplined living, from utter bankruptcy to the highest standards of moral excellence. Human history has never known such a complete transformation of a people or a place before or since – and IMAGINE all these unbelievable wonders in JUST OVER TWO DECADES.

Lamartine, the renowned historian, speaking on the essentials of human greatness, wonders: "If greatness of purpose, smallness of means and astounding results are the three criteria of human genius, who could dare to compare any great man in modern history with Muhammad? The most famous men created arms, laws and empires only. They founded, if anything at all, no more than material powers which often crumbled away before their eyes. This man moved not only armies, legislation, empires, peoples and dynasties, but millions of men in one-third of the then inhabited world; and more than that, he moved the altars, the gods, the religions, the ideas, the beliefs and souls... his forbearance in victory, his ambition, which was entirely devoted to one idea and in no manner striving for an empire; his endless prayers, his mystic conversations with God, his death and his triumph after death; all these attest not to an imposture but to a firm conviction which gave him the power to restore a dogma. This dogma was two-fold, the unity of God and the immateriality of God; the former telling what God is, the latter telling what God is not; the one overthrowing false gods with the sword, the other starting an idea with the

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words.

Philosopher, orator, apostle, legislator, warrior, conqueror of ideas, restorer of rational dogmas, of a cult without images, the founder of twenty terrestrial empires and of one spiritual empire, that is MUHAMMAD.

As regards all the standards by which Human Greatness may be measured, we may well ask, IS THERE ANY MAN GREATER THAN HE? (Lamartine, Historire de la Turquie, Paris, 1854, Vol. II pp. 276-277)

The world has had its share of great personalities. But these were one sided figures who distinguished themselves in but one or two fields, such as religious thought or military leadership. The lives and teachings of these great personalities of the world are shrouded in the mist of time. There is so much speculation about the time and place of their birth, the mode and style of their life, the nature and detail of their teachings and the degree and measure of their success or failure that it is impossible for humanity to reconstruct accurately the lives and teachings of these men.

Not so this man. Muhammad (SAW) accomplished so much in such diverse fields of human thought and behavior in the fullest blaze of human history. Every detail of his private life and public utterances has been accurately documented and faithfully preserved to our day. The authenticity of the records so preserved are vouched for not only by the faithful followers but even by his prejudiced critics.

Muhammad (SAW) was a religious teacher, a social reformer, a moral guide, an

administrative colossus, a faithful friend, a wonderful companion, a devoted husband, a loving father – all in one. No other man in history ever excelled or equaled him in any of these different aspects of life – but it was only for the selfless personality of Muhammad (SAW) to achieve such incredible perfection.

Mahatma Gandhi, speaking on the character of Muhammad (SAW) says in 'YOUNG INDIA': *"I wanted to know the best of one who holds today undisputed sway over the hearts of millions of mankind... I became more than convinced that it was not the sword that won a place for Islam in those days in the scheme of life. It was the rigid simplicity, the utter self-effacement of the Prophet, the scrupulous regard for his pledges, his intense devotion to his friends and followers, his intrepidity, his fearlessness, his absolute trust in God and in his own mission. These and not the sword carried everything before them and surmounted every obstacle. When I closed the 2nd volume (of the Prophet's biography), I was sorry there was not more for me to read of the great life."*

Thomas Calyle in his 'Heroes and Heroworship', was simply amazed as to *"how one man single handedly, could weld warring tribes and wandering Bedouins into a most powerful and civilized nation in less than two decades."*

Diwan Chand Sharma wrote: *"Muhammad was the soul of kindness, and his influence was felt and never forgotten by those around him"* (D.C. Sharma, *The Prophets of the East*, Calcutta, 1935, pp. 12)

Edward Gibbon and Simon Ockley, on the profession of ISLAM, write: *"I BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, AND MAHOMET, AN APOSTLE OF GOD' is the simple and invariable profession of Islam. The intellectual image of the Deity has never been degraded by any visible idol; the honor of the Prophet have never transgressed the measure of human virtues; and his living precepts*

have restrained the gratitude of his disciples within the bounds of reason and religion." (*History of the Saracen Empires*, London, 1870, p. 54)

Muhammad (SAW) was nothing more or less than a human being, but he was a man with a noble mission, which was to unite humanity on the worship of ONE and ONLY ONE GOD and to teach them the way to honest and upright living based on the commands of God. He always described himself as, 'A Servant and Messenger of God' and so indeed every action of his proclaimed to be.

Speaking on the aspect of equality before God in Islam, the famous poetess of India, Sarojini Naidu says: *"It was the first religion that preached and practiced democracy; for, in the mosque, when the call for prayer is sounded and worshippers are gathered together, the democracy of Islam is embodied five times a day when the peasant and king kneel side by side and proclaim: 'God Alone is Great'... I have been struck over and over again by this indivisible unity of Islam that makes man instinctively a brother."* (S. Naidu, *Ideals of Islam, vide Speeches & Writings*, Madras, 1918, p. 169)

In the words of Professor Hurgronje: *"the league of nations founded by the prophet of Islam put the principle of international unity and human brotherhood on such universal foundations as to show candle to other nations."* He continues, *"the fact is that no nation of the world can show a parallel to what Islam has done towards the realization of the idea of the League of Nations."*

The world has not hesitated to raise to divinity individuals whose lives and missions have been lost in legend. Historically speaking, none of these legends achieved even a fraction of what Muhammad (SAW) accomplished. And all his striving was for the sole purpose of uniting mankind for the worship of One God on the codes of moral excellence. Muhammad (SAW) or his followers never at any time claimed that he was a son of God or

the God-incarnate or a man with divinity – but he always was and is even today considered as only a Messenger chosen by God.

Michael H. Hart, in his recently published book on ratings of men who contributed towards the benefit and upliftment of mankind writes: "My choice of Muhammad to lead the list of the world's most influential persons may surprise some readers and may be questioned by others, but he was the only man in history who was supremely successful on both the religious and secular levels." (M.H. Hart, "The 100: A Ranking of the Most Influential Persons in History", New York, 1978, p. 33)

K.S. Ramakrishna Rao, an Indian professor of Philosophy, in his booklet "Muhammad the Prophet of Islam" calls him the "perfect model for human life." Professor Ramakrishna Rao explains his point by saying: "The personality of Muhammad, it is most difficult to get into the whole truth of it. Only a glimpse of it I can catch. What a dramatic succession of picturesque scenes. There is Muhammad the Prophet. There is Muhammad the Warrior; Muhammad the Businessman; Muhammad the Statesman;

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Muhammad the Orator; Muhammad the Reformer; Muhammad the Refuge of Orphans; Muhammad the Protector of Slaves; Muhammad the Emancipator of Women; Muhammad the Judge; Muhammad the Saint. All in all these magnificent roles, in all these departments of human activities, he is alike a hero."

Today after a lapse of fourteen centuries, the life and teachings of Muhammad (SAW) have survived without the slightest loss, alteration or interpolation. They offer the same undying hope for treating mankind's many ills, which they did when he was alive. This is not a claim of Muhammad's (SAW) followers, but the inescapable conclusion forced upon by a critical and unbiased history.

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It will cost you nothing, but it may prove to be the beginning of a completely new era in your life.

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of a clash between Islam and the West.

But the fact missing is the ignorance about the teachings of Islam, and what the messenger of Allah, Muhammad (SAW) exemplifies. Several verses of the Qur'an and the traditions of the Prophet have confirmed that he was raised to uphold the standard of morality for the benefit of the entire mankind.

As opposed to the notion carried by some media organisations and published in some literatures that Islam was spread by the sword, a fact that is far from the truth; Islam spread through contact with other nations and the level of high morality exhibited by the Islamic merchants, which in essence was as a result of the teachings of Prophet Muhammad (SAW), qualities that have attracted millions of individuals to Islam.

Reliable documentation of history showed that Islam spread to such countries like Indonesia, Mali, and Nigeria through this civilised means, and if the growth of Islam in Europe and America is anything to go by, it can be seen before our eyes that Islam is the fastest growing faith in the world despite the weak politico-economic condition of the Muslim World.

This growth is not as a result of any clash or the use of the sword, but as a result of the reasoning of individuals who decided to explore the truth about Islam from an intellectual perspective, and they found it as a haven for humanity both in this world and the life to come.

As such, we believe it is by reading the true Islamic literature written from an Islamic perspective that the truth can be found about Islam and Muhammad (SAW), and if done with all sincerity of purpose it will only strengthen the Understanding of Civilisations as opposed to the Clash of Civilisations.



Muhammad (SAW): Mercy to Mankind

All praise is due to Allâh, Lord of all the worlds. Peace and blessings of Allâh be upon the Messenger, his household and companions.

Fellow Muslims! Fear Allâh and seek for His mercy by being dutiful to Him. Allâh says, *"O you who believe! Fear Allâh, and believe in His Messenger (Muhammad (peace be upon him)) He will give you a double portion of His Mercy, and He will give you a light by which you shall walk (straight), and He will forgive you. And Allâh is Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful."* (Al-Hadîd 57:28)

Brethren in faith! Fear Allâh and do not incline to this world and its adornments. For this world is a temporary abode in which both righteous and sinful have their sustenance. The Hereafter is a true appointed time in which the Lord, Who is Omnipotent, shall judge between truth and falsehood.

Fellow Muslims! In this time of despair and hardship, a time in which values and concepts have been turned upside down, a time in which the powerful suppresses the weak and the rich the poor, a time that civilizations clash, the Muslims are seriously in need of affirming their civilization that is based on noble concepts. It is through these noble concepts that the Ummah's injuries can be healed.

The world communities have never been in a greater need to realize the defects that are in their civilizations as they are today. They need to know the defects of their systems of life. It is time for them to ask themselves the causes of their problems and the misery, which

their civilizations have caused. They need to know the causes of widespread distress and anxiety that have overwhelmed their lives.

These are just some of the questions whose answer is provided by the Glorious Qur'ân. Allâh says, *"But whosoever turns away from My Reminder (i.e. neither believes in this Qur'ân nor acts on its teachings.) verily, for him is a life of hardship, and We shall raise him up blind on the Day of Resurrection. He will say: "O my Lord! Why have you raised me up blind, while I had sight (before)." (Allâh) will say: "Like this: Our signs came unto you, but you disregarded them (i.e. you left them, did not think deeply in them, and you turned away from them), and so this Day, you will be neglected (in the Hell-fire, away from Allâh's Mercy)." (Tâ Hâ 20:124-126)*

Dear brother! If you reflect on the life history of the Messenger of Allâh, you will find it full of noble qualities in concept and practice. This is why the civilization of his religion is the only civilization that brought happiness to the world.

A'ishah (RA) narrated that she asked the Prophet (SAW), *"Have you encountered a day harder than the day (of the battle) of Uhud?"* The Prophet replied, *"Your tribes have troubled me a lot, and the worse trouble was the trouble on the day of 'Aqaba when I presented myself to Ibn 'Abd-Yalail bin 'Abd-Kulal and he did not respond to my demand. So I departed, overwhelmed with excessive sorrow, and proceeded on, and could not relax till I found myself at Qarnath-Tha-alib where I lifted my head towards the sky to see a cloud shading me unexpectedly. I looked up and saw Gabriel in it. He called me saying, 'Allah has heard your people's saying to you, and what they have replied back to you, Allah has sent the Angel of the Mountains to you so that you may order him to do whatever you wish to these people.' The Angel of the Mountains called and greeted me, and*

then said, "O Muhammad! Order what you wish. If you like, I will let Al-Akh-Shabain (i.e. two mountains) fall on them." The Prophet said, "No but I hope that Allah will let them beget children who will worship Allah Alone, and will worship none besides Him." (Al-Bukhârî and Muslim)

When the people of Makkah made things difficult for him, persecuted him and his companions and injured his face, he could still be heard saying while wiping blood off his face, *"O Allâh! Forgive my people for they know not what they are doing."*

Fellow Muslims! It is with this mercy and compassion that the Messenger of Allâh was sent. And it is with mercy and compassion that he treated all his opponents and companions alike. Mercy is an attribute of Allâh. He is the Compassionate, the Merciful. And He is Kind with His creatures. He sent His Messenger with kindness and He says, *"And We have sent you (O Muhammad (peace be upon him)) not but as a mercy for all the worlds."* (Al-Anbiyâ 21:107)

The Prophet also brought the law of Islâm based on the principle of compassion. Allâh says, *"Verily, there has come unto you a Messenger (Muhammad (peace be upon him)) from amongst yourselves (i.e. whom you know well). It grieves him that you should receive any injury or difficulty. He (Muhammad (peace be upon him)) is anxious over you (to be rightly guided, to repent to Allâh, and beg Him to pardon and forgive your sins, in order that you may enter Paradise and be saved from the punishment of the Hell-fire); for the believers (he peace be upon him is) full of pity, kind, and merciful."* (At-Tawbah 9:128)

The Prophet would feel seriously hurt by whatever was harmful to his nation. He was never given an option to choose between two things except that he chose the easier as long as it was not forbidden. On many occasions he had said, *"Had I not found it hard for my*

followers or the people, I would have ordered so and so or I would have done so and so." Sometimes, he would want to prolong prayer and yet would shorten it when he heard the crying of a baby because he understood how upset his mother would be.

Brethren in faith! Compassion is a quality of manliness. Compassion is a quality that emanates from a merciful heart. It is a quality of the Prophets and a sign of perfect Imân and Islâm. Allâh says, "*Muhammad (peace be upon him) is the Messenger of Allâh. And those who are with him are severe against disbelievers, and merciful among themselves.*" (Muhammad 48:29)

Usâmah bin Zayd said, "*We were with the Prophet when one of his daughters sent (a messenger) to him requesting him to come as her child was dying (or was gasping), but the Prophet returned the messenger and told him to convey his greeting to her and say: 'Whatever Allah takes is for Him and whatever He gives, is for Him, and everything with Him has a limited fixed term (in this world) and so she should be patient and hope for Allah's reward.'*" She again sent for him, swearing that he should come. The Prophet got up, and so did Sad bin 'Ubada, Muadh bin Jabal, Ubai bin Ka'b, Zaid bin Thabit and some other men. The child was brought to Allah's Apostle while his breath was disturbed in his chest (the sub-narrator thinks that Usama added:) as if it was a leather water-skin. On that the eyes of the Prophet started shedding tears. Sad said, "O Allah's Apostle! What is this?" He replied, "It is mercy which Allah has lodged in the hearts of His slaves, and Allah is merciful only to those of His slaves who

are merciful (to others)." (Al-Bukhârî and Muslim)

Compassion breeds love and affection among people. Compassion is a delight of the heart and the way to Paradise. The Messenger of Allâh said, "*People of Paradise are three: (1) a leader who is generous, spends in charity and is guided to the right course; (2) a man who is compassionate, kind to every relative and every Muslim and (3) a poor person who is virtuous and has dependants.*" (Muslim)

Compassion softens the heart and leads man to be kind to even animals and birds. Abdullâh bin Mas'ûd said, "*We were with the Messenger of Allâh on a journey. While he went to ease himself, we saw a redstart [1] with two chicks and we took them. The redstart then came, spreading out her wings. When the Messenger of Allâh arrived (and saw the bird) he said, 'Who bereaved this with her children? Return her chicks back to her.'*" (Abû Dâwûd)

Abdullâh bin Ja'far narrated that the Messenger of Allâh entered the compound of an Ansârî man. And there here was a camel there. When the camel saw the Prophet, it longed for him, groaned and shed tears. The Messenger of Allâh approached it and wiped off its tears and it became quiet. He then said, "*Who is the owner of this camel? 'Who is the owner of this camel?'*" A young Ansârî man came and said, "*It is me O Messenger of Allâh!*" The Prophet then said, "*Won't you fear Allâh as regards this animal which Allâh put under your possession? It complained to me that you starve it and overburden it.*" (Abû Dâwûd)

This is the Prophet's reaction to the maltreatment of animals. Imagine how he would have reacted to a person who harmed humans, usurped the rights of the poor and did not treat children and old people with compassion. The Prophet said, "*Allâh will show mercy to those who show mercy to people. Show mercy to those who are on the earth, the One Who is in the Heaven will show mercy to you.*"

The Prophet also said, "*You see the believers as regards their being merciful among themselves and showing love among themselves and being kind, resembling one body, so that, if any part of the body is not well then the whole body shares the sleeplessness (insomnia) and fever with it.*"

As for compassion that Islâm shows in the area legislations, that is a very long topic. All aspects of Islamic law are rather compassionate in their goals, means and applications. Fellow Muslims! This is the mercy with which the Messenger of Allâh was sent. Our religion is that of compassion in times of war and peace. It is a religion of kindness towards enemies and friends, animals and birds. It is a religion of compassion in worship, cooperation and judgment and in all aspects of its law.

Words are not enough to describe how compassionate the Prophet was. Compare this to the so-called civilizations that are being claimed and that are in the real sense devoid of compassion and justice. Compare it to civilizations that do not, in victory, respect any pact of kinship or covenant of protection with a believer and that strive through the land to cause corruption therein and destroy crops and animals. And Allâh does not like corruption.

The Prophet found excuse for his people though they wanted to kill him. He was compassionate to them though they were fighting him. He wanted guidance and happiness for them. In our age on the contrary, the so-called leaders of modern civilization, who have no regard for compassion, claim to be compassionate. They find excuses for aggression and concoct lies to justify wars, killings, destruction and corruption.

"*And when it is said to them: 'Make not mischief on the earth,' they say: 'We are only peace-makers.' Verily! They are the ones who make mischief, but they perceive not.*" (Al-Baqarah 2:11-12)

It is therefore an act of compassion to rein in these people. And to be severe with them is part of the mercy that Islâm spreads.

Brethren in faith! Man has not excelled above other creatures by his mere physical size or strength. There are other creatures that are greater than him in power and size. He only excelled by his heart, soul, intelligence and feelings. It is not a matter of pride that man should be stern and severe, but real pride lies in excellent characters and sublime dispositions. This is shown through qualities like gentleness, compassion, graciousness and kindness. Allâh says, *“And by the Mercy of Allâh, you dealt with them gently. And had you been severe and harsh-hearted, they would have broken away from about you; so pass over (their faults), and ask (Allâh's) Forgiveness for them; and consult them in the affairs.”* (Ali ‘Imrân 3:159)

Brethren in Islâm! Emulate the pure characters of your Prophet and hold fast onto the lofty principles of your religion.

Fellow Muslims! Compassion is a sign of humility. It also removes arrogance. Compassion means doing good to all, assisting the needy and being kind to the kith and kin. It also entails showing sympathy for the weak, the sick, the disabled and the orphans by making them happy. Compassion entails helping the wronged and reining in the devilish people. Compassion means feeling concerned about the affairs of fellow Muslims, sharing their pains and aspirations and coming to their aid. It also entails enjoining good, forbidding evil, and teaching the Muslims the goals of being compassionate. The Messenger

of Allâh said, *“The example of me and you is like that of a man who kindled a fire. Grasshoppers and butterflies start falling into the fire and the man continue protecting them against it. I am holding you back from falling into the fire and you are slipping off my hand.”* (Al-Bukhârî and Muslim)

This is a translation of a Khutba by Shaykh Sâlih Muhammad Al-Tâlib. It is available online at: <http://www.islaam.net/main/display.php?id=1066&category=23>

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Muhammad (SAW): Distinguished Personality

**I started searching for a person
Whose message is complete with reason**

**Distinguished in character and knowledge
Out to educate and serve as a bridge**

**Between those who are in conflict since yesterday
So that their tomorrow will be a blossoming day**

**And I lay my hands on this noble book
Whose content can transform the life of a crook**

**As I swim within the teachings of the content
I found a man whose character is the content**

**Praise worthy in this life and the life to come
But misunderstood from Denmark to Rome**

**Come on my friend and bear with me for a second
Do you rely on the media or have you think beyond**

**The caricatures and search for the truth
In order to deconstruct the invented myth**

**The man whose message asks you to read
And commands you to live without greed**

**Frowns at laziness and appreciates hard work
And the success of others we should never block**

**To our family we should be kind and compassionate
For that is the way peace and love will emanate**

**The right of the neighbour must be protected
Friends and well wishers should never be undermined**

**Ponder about this message brought through the son of Abdullah
No doubt it is indeed a revelation from Allah**

**Muhammad Jameel Yusha'û
Rabi'ul Awwal, 1427 (April 2006)**

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Joint EXCO Meeting in Preston

The first joint EXCO meeting which took place at Preston on the 18th of February 2006, has deliberated on the way to move the forum forward by establishing new committees that would address the issues affecting the forum.

The committees are the Strategic Committee with Dr Usman Abdullahi as its Chairman, Finance Committee headed by Malam Mahmud Dodo, Organising Committee led by the Organising Secretary Malam Ibrahim Umar, as well as the Publicity Committee chaired by the Publicity Secretary Malam Salisu Abubakar.

A separate committee for the youth was agreed to be set up during the meeting and the committee has already been formed and is led by the secretary Malam Adam Abubakar Gumel and another youth committee for the sisters will follow shortly insha'Allah.

NMF Contributes on Hajj Bill

After a Press Release on the failure of Hajj operations in Nigeria distributed by the NMF, and published by various media organisations in Nigeria, the forum has contributed to the National Assembly committee that is deliberating on establishing a new Commission for Hajj operations in Nigeria.

The NMF has already forwarded its suggestions on how to find a lasting solution on the persistent failures of Hajj operations in Nigeria to the National Assembly.

BIRTHS

1. The Family of Mr and Mrs Abdullahi Mazai, a Medical Doctor in Doncaster has been blessed with a baby girl named Zahra.
2. The family of Dr and Mrs Lawal Kadri (Birmingham) has been blessed with the birth of a baby boy. They named him Umar.
3. The family of Dr and Mrs Bashir Gwandu (Birmingham) has been blessed with the baby boy. They named him Aliyu.
4. The family of Mr and Mrs AbdulKadir Dala (London) has been blessed with the birth of a baby girl.
5. The family of Mr and Mrs Musa Aliyu (London) has been blessed with the birth of a baby boy. They named him Aliyu.
6. The family of Dr Garba Sani Gusau (Birmingham) has been blessed with the birth of a baby boy. They named him Ibrahim.

May Allah (SWT) enable the parents of these children to bring them up in the right manner, according to Islamic teachings, ameen.

WEDDING

Alhamdu Lillah, Brother Abubakar Gambo of Plymouth has got married. May Allah (SWT) give blessings to the families of the bride and groom. May Allah bring them closer. May Allah make this new family a model family that will invite humanity to follow the guidance of Allah (SWT), ameen.

ARRIVALS

1. Brother Aminu Muhammad, PhD in Computer Science, University of Glasgow, Scotland.
2. Babangida Sarkin Shanu, MA Management Studies, University of Worcester, Worcestershire.
3. Dr Adamu Sambo and Family, have recently joined the Diana Princess of Wales Hospital, Grimsby, North East Lincolnshire.

GRADUATION

The Former Ameer of the Nigeria Muslim Forum (UK), Dr Muhammad Kyari, has successfully completed his PhD from the University of Leeds. May Allah (SWT) make it beneficial to him and the entire Ummah, ameen.

DEATH

Dr Danladi Sadiq Abubkar of Plymouth has lost his father in law. May Allah (SWT) forgive him, have Mercy on him and give the family he left behind the fortitude to bear this loss, ameen.

NMF Spring Conference 2006

This is to remind brothers and sisters that this year's Spring Conference is scheduled to take place at Didsbury Islamic Centre, Manchester, on Saturday 29th April 2006. Details about the event have already been circulated to members.

This year's Guest Speaker is Shaikh Rashad Zaman Ali, an Educational Consultant currently working in University of Central England, Birmingham.

May Allah (SWT) make it possible for you and your family and/or friends to attend, ameen.

Know the Executive Committee Members

Muhammad Jameel Yusha'u - Ameer



Brother Muhammad Jameel is a Lecturer at the Department of Mass Communication, Bayero University, Kano. He is currently on a PhD programme at the Department of Journalism Studies, University of Sheffield.

Muhammad Garba Mahmoud – Deputy Ameer



Ustadh Muhammad is the Chief Technical Officer of the Sokoto Energy Research Centre, Usman Danfodio University, Sokoto. He is currently pursuing a PhD in Engineering at the School of the Built Environment, The University of Nottingham.

Adam Abubakar Gumel - Secretary



Brother Adam Abubakar Gumel lives in London. He is currently studying for a B. Eng degree in Chemical Engineering at Aston University, Birmingham. He is originally from Gumel in Jigawa State

Waziri Kyari Mala – Assistant Secretary



Brother Waziri is a graduated with an HND in Regional Planning from Ramat Polytechnic, Maiduguri. He worked briefly in Nigeria before coming to the UK. He is currently in the final year of his Architectural degree program at the University of Central England in Birmingham.

Mahmoud Dodo - Treasurer



Brother Mahmud has worked with the Nigerian Agricultural and Cooperative Bank, Kaduna and the Federal Civil Service Abuja before coming to the UK. He has completed a Masters degree in Economics at the University of Leeds and is currently into Pension administration with the Pension Trust in Leeds.

Salisu Abubakar – Publicity Secretary



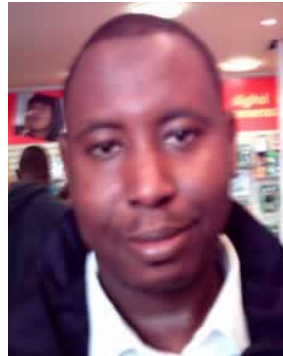
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