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Thank you to all our readers, volunteers, and community members for your continued support – your time, effort, and engagement mean the world to us and keep this newsletter going.

This issue's theme is giving and receiving advice – a core value in our faith. The Prophet ﷺ said, “Religion is sincere advice.” Through honest counsel and open hearts, we uplift one another and grow together.

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 [alhuda-newsletter.onrender.com](http://alhuda-newsletter.onrender.com)  
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# ADVICE in islam

Giving and receiving advice is a core part of our deen. The Prophet ﷺ said, “الدين النصيحة” – “The religion is sincere advice.” Yet, human nature often resists correction. It doesn't feel good to be told we're wrong – but this is exactly how we grow.

The wife of Prophet Lut عليه السلام was destroyed not for committing evil, but for sympathizing with it and refusing correction. Ignoring advice can have serious consequences.

Allah says:

”حُذِّفُوا عَنِ الْجَاهِلِينَ“

”Show forgiveness, enjoin what is right, and turn away from the ignorant.”  
(Al-A'raf: 199)

When giving naseeha, be gentle, kind, and patient – never harsh. It should be private, sincere, and free from pride. Allah told the Prophet ﷺ:  
”فَإِنَّمَا رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ لِتُنْهِيَّ لَهُمْ...“  
”And by the mercy of Allah, you were gentle with them...“ (Aali 'Imran: 159)

When someone seeks your advice, you carry a trust. The Prophet ﷺ said:  
”الْمُسْتَشَارُ مُؤْتَمِنٌ“  
”The one who is consulted is entrusted.“ (Abu Dawood)

When seeking advice (الاستنصاح), choose someone wise and sincere. Allah says:  
”فَأَسْأَلُوا أَهْلَ الْدُّرُّ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ لَا تَعْلَمُونَ“  
”So ask the people of knowledge if you do not know.“ (An-Nahl: 43)

Never let pride stop you from asking. Even the Prophet ﷺ was told:  
”...وَشَاؤْرُهُمْ فِي الْأُمْرِ“  
”Consult with them in matters...“ (Aali 'Imran: 159)

May Allah make us humble in giving and receiving sincere advice.



# travelling the **MUSLIM WORLD**

## **PALESTINE**

Palestine is a country in the Middle East, bordered by Jordan, Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, and the Mediterranean Sea. It is known for its ancient cities like Jerusalem, Yafa, and Nablus. Palestinian culture is vibrant, full of traditional art, food, and everyday life. Palestine is home to one of Islam's three holiest mosques, Masjid Al-Aqsa. Many people now struggle with the ongoing genocide, humanitarian crisis, and oppression, especially in Gaza. Despite these challenges, Palestine remains a land of rich culture and resilience. It will continue to thrive, grow, and one day be free, inshaAllah.



### **Traditional foods**

Olive oil and Zaatar  
Musakhan  
Sesame bread

### **Symbols**

 = Hope  = Love for land

 = Palestine flag

# Past EVENTS

## ➤ **Sabeel Ahmad Halaqa**

An evening of powerful insights on faith, doubts, and confidently sharing islam

## ➤ **School year Halaqah**

Reminders on how to have a productive school year while keeping time to strengthen our faith

## ➤ **Alhuda open house**

An afternoon dedicated to introducing new people to the community at Alhuda.

## ➤ **Alhuda Masjid Cleanup**

Working together to beautify the house of Allah for His sake.

## ➤ **Tafakkur Trip**

High school and up girls Halaqa at Niyyah coffee, followed by a walk to cheeney creek

## ➤ **Alhuda basketball try-outs**

Represent Alhuda at the annual AICI midwest tournament!



GIRLS TAFAKKUR WALK

ALHUDA OPEN HOUSE

QURAN CLASS

# UPCOMING events

-  **How to Choose Your Spouse?**  
**September 13, 6:15 - 8:00pm**  
With Mufti Daoud and Salma Mohiuddin
-  **High School Girls ESTEEM**  
**Every Friday 6:00 - 7:30**  
9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> in the Fatooma room  
10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> on the Patio
-  **Grieving for Gaza**  
**September 13, 7pm**  
**Masjid Hidayah, Indianapolis**  
Dr. Adil Husain will be sharing his moving experience of serving at a Gazan hospital
-  **Halaqah with Umair Lasania**  
**Every Friday after Maghrib**  
Boys ages 9-15  
Alhuda kids room
-  **Boys EMERGE**  
**Every Wednesday 7:00 - 8:30**  
Alhuda Fatooma room
-  **Tafseer with Sheikh Nasser**  
**Every Tuesday after Maghrib**  
Main Musallah
-  **Alhuda blood drive**  
**September 5<sup>th</sup> , 12-4pm**  
Donate blood before or after jumuah, and help save up to three lives. Schedule your appointment at 800-632-4722
-  **Brew with love**  
**September 8, 6:00-9:00pm**  
Support Al Rahma school's special needs students as they take on a day working behind the bar at Yafa
-  **Ice cream and Halaqa**  
**September 6<sup>th</sup> , 5:00-7:00pm**  
**All high school students**  
Walk to handles from Alhuda and spend some time with friends, then have a halaqah
-  **Girls movie night**  
**September 5<sup>th</sup> , 8:30pm**  
**4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>**  
Enjoy an outdoor movie night with friends at Alhuda. Bring a blanket or hoodie to stay warm!

# member introduction



## ASMAA RASHID

My name is Asmaa Rashid, the daughter of the one & only Dr. Shaker. This has always been my introduction at the masjid, so it only feels right to begin here as well. Though

many may not always recognize me at first, they often remember me as his. There isn't a path I walk within our masjid without receiving a message to pass along to him.

May Allah (swt) continue to bless me with the honor of representing him.

### About Asmaa

I was born in New Jersey but raised in good ol' Fishers, IN—an “adopted Hoosier” at heart. One of my greatest blessings has been growing up on our masjid grounds, watching it transform from prayers in living rooms to the vibrant house of worship it is today. Every corner carries memories of childhood, Ramadan nights, and milestones of community growth. To witness this journey, shaped by the vision and sacrifices of our elders and youth, is an honor I hold dearly.

### Origins

My roots trace back to Gaza, Palestine—a place often spoken of through hardship, but one I know for its resilience, beauty, and unshakable faith. To be Gazaweya is a blessing I carry with honor. Alongside my love for Islam, it shapes how I live: with gratitude, resilience, and purpose. The strength of my people reminds me that even in struggle there is dignity, and even in loss there is mercy from Allah (swt). They inspire me to hold onto hope and live with intention. May Allah (swt) protect the people of Gaza and all the oppressed, grant them ease, and allow us to be a source of benefit.

### Hope for the community

I don't hold a specific role—I'm simply one of many walking up the steps, grateful to belong here. My hope is to keep growing in faith while giving back, whether through service, helping at gatherings, or creating spaces for younger sisters to feel connected. I pray to learn from those before me, support those after me, and help preserve the sense of belonging that shaped me. Above all, I ask Allah (swt) to place sincerity and barakah in our efforts and accept from us all. Ameen.

# Celebrating OUR YOUTH

## NURA FAREED

With hearts full of joy and gratitude to Allah (SWT), we extend our warmest congratulations to Hafizah Nura Fareed! Nura is the third Hafizah from the amazing Fareed Family, who memorized the entire Quran under supervision of Sheikh Qeyam. This monumental achievement is a testament to Hafizah Nura's unwavering dedication, perseverance, and love for the Book of Allah.

May Allah (SWT) make the Quran a source of blessings, wisdom, and strength in Nura's life. May Allah (SWT) bless our Sheikh Qeyam, the Fareed family and especially the entire Alhuda community for supporting this noble endeavor and fostering an environment of learning and memorizing the Noble Quran!

May Allah (SWT) accept your efforts, elevate your ranks, and make the Quran your companion in this world and a means of intercession in the Hereafter.

Once again, Mabrook to Hafizah Nura on this extraordinary accomplishment!

May Allah (SWT) shower His mercy and blessings upon you all!



**INTERESTED IN BECOMING  
THE NEXT HAFITH?**

**Sign up for Sheikh  
Qiyams Quran Classes!**

Tuesdays - Thursdays,  
1 hour between 4-7pm  
August 8<sup>th</sup> - October 9<sup>th</sup>

# Newsletter REVIEWS

## WE WANT YOUR OPINION!

Your voice matters to us. Every word we write is written with hope that it informs, inspires, and benefits you – but as much as we try, this can't be done without your feedback.

As shown in previous newsletters, we have a new website, [alhuda-newsletter.onrender.com](http://alhuda-newsletter.onrender.com). When you open any newsletter on the website and scroll down, you'll find a space to share your thoughts, which inshaAllah will go directly to our team.

Please take a few minutes and share your feedback with us – it helps shape the articles we write and ensures that this newsletter reflects and benefits the community it serves.

### Share Your Thoughts

Help us improve by sharing what resonated with you (optional)

What was your favorite page?

e.g., Main Article, Introducing a member, Events...

What resonated with you most?

Share what stood out to you...

Tell us your feedback so we can improve

Suggestions, comments, or anything else...

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