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MEADOWVALE ISLAMIC CENTRE

Cost of Mother's Love

A little boy came up to his mother in the kitchen one evening while she was fixing supper, and he handed her a piece of paper that he had been writing on. After his mom dried her hands on an apron, she read it, and this is what it said:

For cutting the grass: \$5.00
For cleaning up my room this week: \$1.00
For going to the store for you: \$0.50
Babysitting my kid brother while you went shopping: \$0.25
Taking out the garbage: \$1.00
For getting a good report card: \$5.00
For clean up and raking the yard: \$2.00
Total owed: \$14.75

Well, his mother looked at him standing there; the boy could see the memories flashing through her mind. She picked up the pen, turned over the paper he'd written on, and this is what she wrote:

For 9 months I carried you while you were growing inside me: No Charge
For all the nights that I've sat up with you, doctored & prayed for you: No Charge
For all the tears that you've caused through the years: No Charge
For all the nights that were filled with dread, and for the worries I knew were ahead: No Charge

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For the toys, food, clothes, and even wiping your nose: No Charge, Son, When you add it up, the cost of my love is: No Charge
When the boy finished reading what his mother had written, there were big tears in his eyes, and he looked straight at his mother and said, "Mom, I sure do love you". Then he took the pen & in great big letters he wrote: "PAID IN FULL"

It is reported that a man came to the Prophet s and asked: "Messenger of Allah, who is the most deserving of good care from me?" The Prophet s replied: "Your mother (which he repeated three times) then your father, then your nearest relatives in order".

Five Things to Reflect upon

O! You Muslims who are:

1. Desirous to drive shiny cars, REMEMBER YOU will be driven one day as a horizontal passenger
2. Wild and crazy over expensive clothes, REMEMBER you will end up in just a 'Kafn' (shroud)
3. Recklessly sacrificing everything to construct beautiful homes and splendid mansions, REMEMBER the graveyard 'Pit', is one's real home
4. Greedily devouring tasty dishes and all types of Extravagant delicacies, REMEMBER one day you will be the meal for ants, worms and other insects
5. Aspiring for fame, fortune and bright lights REMEMBER darkness and loneliness awaits you in the grave

Virtues of Performing Salah

When Abdullah ibn Abbas RA used to hear the Azaan, he used to cry so much that his clothes used to get wet, his veins used to swell and his eyes used to become red. Someone told him that he also listens to the Azaan but he is not affected by it. He told him that if only people knew the reality of the Muazzin's words, they would be deprived of rest and comfort and their sleep would disappear. Thereafter he explained the warnings of every sentence in detail.

Huzailah RA narrates that whenever Nabi PBUH was confronted with any difficulty, he resorted to salah.

It is mentioned in the Hadith that Allah will bless the one who is punctual with his five daily Salaahs with five favors:

1. His daily sustenance will be made easy
2. His punishments in the grave will be removed
3. On the day of resurrection he will receive his book of deeds in his right hand due to which he will be very happy and will go around showing everyone his good deeds
4. He will cross the bridge of hell with lightning speed
5. He will be saved, from reckoning for his deeds, in the grave and on the last day

Warning for not praying Salaah

Nabi PBUH said that the Salaah of the person, who after hearing the Azaan does not precede for Salaah without any valid excuse and performs it at home, will never be accepted. The Sahaba (Radiallahu anhum) asked what a valid excuse could be. Nabisreplied "Sickness or Fear"

Nabi PBUH said that the person who makes a Salaah qadha (i.e. he purposely omits it) will remain in Jahannum for a period of one huqub. A huqub is equal to eighty years of 360 days where one day is equal to 1000 years.

Nabi PBUH said that it is a flagrant disbelief, oppression and hypocrisy to hear Allah Ta'ala's call (i.e. Azaan) and not to proceed for Salaah.

Nabi PBUH said that there is no part of Islam for a person who does not perform Salaah.

In another hadith, Nabi PBUH has said that there is no part of faith without Salaah. Salaah in Islam is like the head in a person's body.

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Current Programs

1. 5 times Prayers
2. Jumma Prayers
3. Taraweeh / Eid Prayers
4. Daily Hadith
5. Full time Hizf / Academics
6. Basketball every Friday
7. Youth & Family counseling
8. Providing answers regarding Islamic matters
9. Monthly newsletter
10. Monthly youth programs
11. Monthly family programs
12. Youth Basketball Program
13. Fitness Program (for sisters)
14. Girls Basketball & Halaqah
16. Friday Quran & Seerah/Tafseer
15. Dora-e-Quran

Special Programs

- March Break
- Summer Camp
- Winter Break



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Announcements

1. Work for house of Allah!

MIC needs volunteers for Friday prayer & other programs. Please send an email to info@mici.org with your contact & availability information

2. Project

- i. Alhamdulillah, Work has begun on the Service Agreements which are required by the City as a condition of rezoning (Winston Churchill left turn lane & Europa Crt. turnaround). Estimated time to complete is 3 to 6 months.
- ii. In parallel we are working on preparing and submitting the Site Plan Application to city, Insha'Allah.

3. Donation Pledge Fulfillment

Jazak-Allah to all who fulfilled their pledges in 2015. If you have not fulfilled the pledge yet, please do so insha-Allah. Jazak-Allah khair!

4. Weekly Friday Night Program

Please join the weekly Friday night program "Lessons from Quran and Seerah of Prophet Muhammed (PBUH)" with family and friends

Timings:

Winter - After Isha

Summer - After Maghrib

5. Tax Receipt

Your official Tax donation receipt for the year 2015 will be mailed out by February 28th, 2016 Insh-Allah. If you have a change of address, please email us at info@mici.org

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Masjid Funds

Start Date: May 1 2013

Updated: January 12 2016

Building Masjid - Phase I

\$1.5 Million needed by start of MIC construction

Funds Needed:	\$1,500,000.00
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Funds Collected:	\$758,000.00
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Balance Needed	\$742,000.00
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Phase II: \$2.5 Million needed to completed construction (Not started)

Total Construction Cost (Phase I + Phase II): \$4 Million

Milestones Completed

Phase 1 (Aug 2010):	PAID OFF
Paid off property 6508 Winston Churchill Blvd	\$525,000.00

Phase 2 (Apr 2013):	PAID OFF
Paid off property 6496 Winston Churchill Blvd	\$1,000,000.00

Rezoning Application Submitted on Aug 2013:	PAID OFF
	\$246,000.00

