

# **ICBCS NEWSLETTER**

July 2022- September 2022

# **Important Updates**

## Land Purchase

Alhamdulillah, ICBCS was able to complete the purchase of 4 acres of land at 15313 Royder Rd over the summer. JazakAllah Khair for everyone who participated in the fundraising. Inshallah this land will be a blessing for the community. Please stay tuned for opportunities to provide feedback into the process of shaping the vision of how ICBCS may expand in the future.





#### **Past Social Events**

- Eid Al-Adha Picnic
- Mommy & Teens Painting
- Galveston, TX Field Trip
- Truman Chocolate Factory Tour
- ICBCS Fall Welcome
  Social
- Family Game Night
- Six Flags Over Texas, Arlington

#### View More Photos Here linktr.ee/icbcsphotos



## **New Masjid Door Hours**

(Click the title above to see the live updated spreadsheet link.)

Days	Unlocked Times	
Friday		11:00 AM- 10:15 PM
Saturday		1:00 PM- 10:15 AM
Sunday		<b>1:30 PM</b> - 10:15 PM
Monday	1:00 F	1:00 PM- 10:15 PM
Tuesday		1:00 PM- 10:15 AM
Wednesday		<b>1:00 PM*</b> - 10:15 PM
Thursday		1:00 PM- 10:15 AM

\*Door will unlock at 12 PM instead of 1 PM after daylight savings time.



Did you know ICBCS has a Buy, Sell, Trade Group?

Please join in if you have products you want to sell or buy from your fellow ICBCS Muslims. WhatsApp link: chat.whatsapp.com/JsNQTLzoGgMLOgwoqBwyuQ



## **New Education Program**



Sisters Retreats were introduced this Fall from our education team with the women of our community, of all ages and roles, in mind. Insha Allah we will have three sessions this semesters, bringing in trusted female scholars every month to provide their knowledge on a wide arrange of topics. Be on the lookout for the RSVP links for each month through our weekly announcements and social media pages!

## **Fall Educational Recurring Programs**

Check out the flyer to see a list of our recurring, weekly programs happening at ICBCS! We also have an events calendar on our website to view dates and times ahead of time. Visit here here for upcoming events: <u>icbcs.org/events</u>

## **ICBCS Outreach**

Alhamdulillah we had several outreach opportunities from our surrounding communities:

- Hosted visitors from two local churches (Friends Congregational Church and Grace Bible Church) at the masjid to provide an introduction to Islam, let them observe prayers, and to answer their questions.
- Hosted a number of TAMU students who wanted to visit the masjid for a cultural and educational experience
- Met with several individuals who were personally interested in Islam as part of their religious journey.

May Allah bless our outreach department in ensuring we are doing our part in Dawah!

# **Al-Huda School**



Al-Huda School started on September 11 from 10:30- 2:00 pm. With the upcoming time change for daylight savings, it will change to 9: 30 am-1:00 pm. Please keep a reminder of this!

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WEEKLY EDUCATION PROGRAMS Fall 2022		
MON	6:30 PM	MSA Sisters Qur'an Class
TUES	After Maghrib	MSA Brothers Qur'an Class
WED	12- 1 PM (Zoom)	Qur'an Pearl Project for Sisters (Arabic) Sign-up: pearlproject.icbcs.org
	3:30- 5:10 PM after Maghrib	Office Hours with Imam Mahad Sign-up: counseling.icbcs.org
	6:30 PM	MSA Discussion/Activity with Imam Mahad
THU	3:30- 5:10 PM	Office Hours with Imam Mahad Sign- up: counseling.icbcs.org
	6:00 PM	"The Balancing Act" (bi-weekly) for Graduate Student and Working Professionals
	6:00 PM	"The Luminaries" (bi-weekly) for Sisters
FRI	12:10, 1:35, 2:10 PM	Jummah Prayers
	6:00 PM	"CONVERTsations" (monthly) for Converts & New Muslims
	After Maghrib	Friday Night Halaqa
CLIN	11:30 AM	Al-Huda Sunday School (Starts 9/4)
	4:30 PM (Zoom)	Brothers Qur'an Circle for High School and College Students
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# **MSA Corner**



# Click <u>here</u> to view pictures from these events!



If you are student at Texas A&M, our MSA has been working hard to put on events for our Muslim Student population! Help support them by

attending and being involved!

- Masjid Welcome Social
- MSA's 1st General Body Meeting of the year
- Thursday Night Lights
- Project Downtown
- Dawah Workshop with Sheikh Kamal El Mekki
- Weekly Dawah Table and Trivia
- Brothers and Sisters Weekly Quran Class
- Imam Mahad Wednesday Wisdom Events
- Sisters Cate Cafe Social
- Big Shots Golf Social
- Freshman Aggie Park Social
- MSC Hospitality Old Home Bingo Night

# YM (Young Muslim) Brothers

Since the start of the semester the YM Brothers got together to play soccer. They remembered Allah SWT and His Messenger in a Halaqa with more than 50 brothers, alhamdulillah. For more information, join the WhatsApp to be updated for more brothers only events. Link: tx.ag/YMCSTAT

# YM (Young Muslim) Sisters

Within this quarter, the YM Sisters discussed shukr and how to be grateful of Allah, and then went for a fun boba social where we all bonded!

For more information, join the WhatsApp to be updated for more sister only events. <u>https://chat.whatsapp.com/DJGtGGdn7vi6BkEsARytOy</u>



#### Join the MSA GroupMes!







# **Community News**

# Welcome Little One!

1) Br. Muhsin Malik and Sr. Habibah Jiwo welcomed their baby girl, Khadijah Oluwakemi, to this world in August 2022

May Allah SWT make Khadijah the coolness of her parents' eyes, a source of success for her parents in this dunya and in akhirah, and a righteous guide and leader for their community and this Ummah. Ameen.

# Just Moved!

Each Fall we welcome a large number of new students from every corner of the world along with faculty, staff and other professionals. The energy from a regular stream of newcomers is one of the unique and special aspects of ICBCS, Alhamdulillah! We'd like to welcome everyone new to our community and are looking forward to your time spent here.

# **Congratulations on Your Aggie Ring**

Br. Asad Danka received his Aggies ring in September 2022. May Allah SWT give him success in his education and career. Ameen.



# **Dua Requests**

Inna lillahi wa inna ilaihi raji'un 1) Sr. Malyun Jama's mother passed away this August 2022. 2)Br. Khalid Naeem's sister passed away this September 2022.

May Allah SWT forgive their souls and grant them highest levels of Jannah neighboring our Prophet Muhammad SAW. May Allah SWT give Jama and Naeem family strength and sabr to deal with their tremendous loss. Ameen.

# **Volunteer of the Quarter**



A couple of words from Dr. Nadeem Chaudhary: "In the 1980s, a handful of TAMU students took the initiative of renting an apartment and establishing the first Masjid in Aggieland. We have come a long ways since then, starting with the expansion of leased space of apartments to construction of the existing Masjid, addition of the Student Center, and the recent purchase of land for future expansion. From day one, volunteers have been the backbone of our community. These individuals include Imams who have led daily and taraweeh prayers over the years, community members who have maintained the tradition of providing iftaars, brothers and sisters who have helped in cleaning, maintaining, and beautifying the masjid, brothers and sisters instrumental in organizing social and religious events, Al-Huda principals and teachers who have invested their time for the betterment of our future generations, and last but not least, community members committing to serve one-year terms as members of the ICBCS board. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the dedication and contributions of all these individuals and pray that Allah grants all of them with the best of rewards in this life and the hereafter. I am also thankful that Allah has given me the opportunity and ability to pay back a portion of benefits I have gained as a member of this community."



# HELP SUSTAIN OUR MASJID!

"The most beloved deeds to Allah are those that are most consistent, even if they are small." - Prophet Muhammad 🕮

## **DIFFERENT WAYS TO DONATE:**



# Want to Volunteer?

We are always looking for more volunteers to help with the various activities at ICBCS and they can use the volunteer link to sign up to help: https://www.icbcs.org/volunteering/

## **ICBCS 2022-2023 Board of Directors**

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