



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Ramadan, 1432 AH

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Assalamu Alaykum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuh,

With the blessings of Allah (swt), SBIA has been operating for over three decades. Ramadan is nearly upon us and we can concentrate on recharging our faith and increasing our attendance at our masjid. In addition, this is the time to provide generous financial support to help SBIA Insha-Allah continue to offer services to the entire community.

We would also like to remind you to check SBIA's website at www.sbia.info in order to:

- View announcements and upcoming SBIA and community events
- See the prayer time schedule and learn who are the Jumma Khateebis at each location
- Stay in touch with SBIA: sign up to receive emails, ask the Imam, get RSS feeds and follow SBIA on Twitter
- Make secure one-time and recurring online donations

Beginning of Ramadan

Based on moon-sighting, Ramadan will begin Insha-Allah on either August 1st or 2nd. Please check the SBIA website at www.sbia.info for updated information and to sign up for email notification.

Iftars at the Downtown San Jose Islamic Center and Evergreen Islamic Center

Downtown: Daily Iftars for singles and Saturday Community Iftars for all will be held throughout Ramadan. Sponsorships for daily iftars are \$800 (divided into two slots at \$400 each) and community Iftars are \$2,500 (five slots at \$500 each). Sign up sheets are posted at the Downtown Masjid and Napredak Hall.

Evergreen: Daily Iftars for singles and Sunday Community Iftars for all will be held throughout Ramadan. Sponsorships for daily iftars are \$400 (divided into two slots at \$200 each) and community Iftars are \$1,000 (five slots at \$200 each). Sign up sheets are the Evergreen Center.

Taraweeh Prayers

Taraweeh Prayers will be held at the downtown San Jose and Evergreen locations immediately after Isha prayer every night. Please check the SBIA website for detailed prayer schedules.

Eid-ul-Fitr

Based on moon sighting, Eid-ul-Fitr will be on August 30th or 31st. Please check the SBIA website at www.sbia.info for the announcement or to sign up for email notification.

Ramadan is the time when SBIA raises approximately 80% of its yearly Operating funds so we ask that you contribute generously this time as always before so that we can continue to provide services to the community.

Allah states in the Holy Qur'an:

"(As for) those who spent their wealth in the way of Allah, then do not follow up what they have spent with reproach or injury, they shall have their reward from their Lord, and they shall have no fear nor shall they grieve."
[Surah al-Baqarah, Ayat 262]

Accordingly, during this blessed month, we are relying on you to:

- Support SBIA with your annual contribution of \$1,000 per family or \$500 per individual (or an affordable amount)
- Pay your Zakat of 2.5% of your yearly savings including cash in all accounts, CDs, stock, 401K, gold
- Pay your Fitra of \$4 Hanafi and \$7 Shafi'i per person before the day of Eid-ul-Fitr
- Invite your non-Muslim friends to the interfaith Iftar on Sunday, August 21st at the Downtown Center

As a reminder Zakat cannot be used for Masjid operations. Please mail your checks to SBIA using the enclosed envelope or donate online at www.sbia.info. Note that we have wireless credit card terminals at Jumaa and Taraweeh prayers as a convenient way to make your contributions.

May Allah (SWT) accept your fasting and duas. May Allah (SWT) grant you and your family success and happiness in this world and, more importantly, in the Hereafter. Ameen.

Jazakum Allahu Khayran.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Athar Siddiquee".

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