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“Verily, those who believe and do good deeds – the Most Beneficent (Allah) will bestow love towards them” (19:96)

هَلْ جَزَاءُ الْإِحْسَانِ إِلَّا الْإِحْسَانُ ۗ

“The reward of goodness is nothing but goodness” (55:61)



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“In order to restore peace to southern Thailand, I’m confident that my role as an ambassador for peace can be an encouragement to friends in the education sector as well as many other ambassadors. We also hope to collaborate with the local Muslim Youth Ambassadors from Jamiyah who were appointed in the first round, to encourage sharing of experiences with each other.”

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Dear Readers

Bismillahirrohmaanirrohiim – and Assalaamualaikum.

We hope that the event updates that were covered in our previous Issue, have accorded you a clearer picture of the numerous activities and services offered by Jamiyah Singapore. The main theme and Cover Story that we featured then was about ‘Peace’, a precious gift that eludes many of us in these challenging times. Picking up on this theme, in the last few months, Jamiyah Singapore has initiated and hosted at least four events that echo the spirit of peace. We also hosted an international conference entitled, ‘Religion and Peace: Initiatives from Muslims NGOs in Southeast Asia’. *(Please see report, inside).*

For this Issue of VOI, we thought we should continue to resonate this clarion call, by focussing on the related theme of ‘Caring and Sharing’ towards all. Many words comes to mind when we talk about this special quality of ‘caring’. To care is to demonstrate love and empathy towards others. To care is to extend sincere goodwill and kindness to others. To care is to share and to show genuine compassion to others - especially the needy, helpless and the marginalized.

Muslims the world over, remember fondly the epic Hijrah (‘Migration’) by the Muhajiruun from Mecca to Medina, to be then warmly received with open arms by the Ansarites in Medina, who gave everything they loved to the Muhajiruun. So extraordinary was their loving and caring that Allah (swt) immortalised their deeds in the holy Qurán, a feat reiterated by the Messenger (pbuh). In his Farewell Speech (Khutbah Wida’) Rasulullah (saw) remarked, “I command you all to be kind to the Ansarites”, reiterating his earlier assurance to the Ansarites during the Aqaba Agreement, “I am with you, and you with me”.

Of course, while today’s ‘Hijrah’- of refugees and displaced persons the world over - is different, our humanitarian concern for those afflicted by such a plight, remains the same. Furthermore, in Islam, the special act of ‘caring and sharing’ is not to be limited to Muslims only. This is why we in Singapore have every reason to cherish - witnessing and experiencing the wonderful spirit of “unity in diversity” in this multi-racial and multi-religious society. Thus, in this VOI Issue, as our small way of capturing the sentiments that envelops this spirit of ‘caring and sharing’, we feature stories, events and activities by Jamiyah Singapore that manifests these noble qualities.

Other than this overarching theme, in this present VOI, we also include updates about the many services that Jamiyah Singapore extends to the community, highlighted under our regular Departmental news and activities. Finally, as a service to our different ethnic readership, we append a summary of all the above information in four languages – Malay, Arabic, Tamil and Mandarin.

Happy Reading!

Islam Prohibits Harming Of All Kinds



Dr Basiron sharing something interesting

Dr Basiron Abdullah @ Ma Thanh Thanh Hoang was one of Southeast Asian delegates invited to speak at the 'International Conference on Peace and Religion', organised by the Islamic Education Scientific and Cultural Organisation (ISESCO) and Jamiyah Singapore.

Born in Vietnam, Dr Basiron graduated from the Islamic University of Medina and the International Islamic University Malaysia, where, in 2014, he received his Ph.D. degree in Arabic linguistics. He is presently the Managing Director of Halal Authority Co. Ltd.

Among his other activities and contributions, Dr Basiron presented papers about Vietnamese Hajj routes organised by King Abdul Aziz Foundation for Research and Archives and also by ISESCO. He is also an active participant in the Saudi universities' graduate networks.

At the International Conference, Dr Basiron shared with the audience his perspective of peace in Islam and how Islam does not condone any form of harming.

The following is an extract of Dr Basiron Abdullah's speech:

"As is universally known, the 'Peace' issue is a principal message of Islam. The Prophet of Mercy, Muhammad s.a.w., who was sent as the embodiment of Mercy to Mankind, gave the practical example of this injunction as recorded in the Qur'an:

And We have sent you (O, Muhammad) not but as a mercy for the 'Alameen (mankind, jinns, and all that exists)"
- Al-Anbiya':107.

"Maintaining peace require placing everything in its place without transgressing it. The act of 'harming' is the seed of insecurity and instability in human society. Therefore, harming should be eradicated from the early stage. Every live entity is inviolable and any action that causes harm to that entity is considered the 'Red Line of Islam'..

'Harming' can be defined broadly to include physical, psychological, spiritual or mental damage, which causes someone or something to be hurt, annoyed, distressed, harassed, injured, oppressed, troubled or vexed - by one's action or word. These synonyms for "harming" completely reflect the meaning of dh' in Arabic. In fact, Islam does not stop at human beings when discussing how to build peace among human beings. Islam has manifestly prohibited human beings from annoying Allah the Creator as well as His Messenger; Allah said:

Indeed who annoys/hurts Allah and His Messenger, Allah has cursed them in this world and the Hereafter, and He has prepared for them a humiliating punishment.
- Al-Ahzab: 57



From left- Dr Basiron, Dato Mohamad Farid Husen, Dr Abdelillah Benarafa, and Dr Mohd Hasbi Abu Bakar, President of Jamiyah



Dr Wan receiving a token of appreciation from Dr Ramiz Zekaj, ISESCO's Supreme Council Member

Dr Wan's guide to peace-making:

- Right relationships
- Just treatment of all persons
- Wholeness in going about the vicissitudes of life.

Dr William Wan

Dr William Wan, a Christian, stood before Muslim Southeast Asian delegates at the 'International Conference on Religion and Peace', which was co-organised by Jamiyah Singapore and the Islamic Education, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (ISESCO) on 20 October 2016.

Rev. Dr William Wan is also Justice of Peace and General Secretary with the Singapore Kindness Movement. Theologically trained, he read religion and philosophy at graduate level. He was the Vice President of a college in Canada, and pastored many churches, both local and overseas.

Now a retired lawyer, Dr Wan organised 'Prison Fellowship' in his profession and pioneered pro bono work for needy offenders. He sits in several non-profit boards including the National Kidney Foundation (NKF), the Farrer Park Hospital Medical Board and the Singapore Scout Association.

Dr Wan was one of three non-Muslim representatives who spoke at the International Conference, where he shared a Christian's perspective of 'peace-making'.

The following is an extract of Dr Wan's speech:

"At Kindness Movement, we believe that kindness binds people together..."

Peace is a fundamental character of all religions. For Christians, we have a wonderful declaration: Glory to God the Highest, and Peace and Love to all people. Jesus Christ said, "Blessed are the peace-makers, for they will be called the Children of God."

I see 'Peace' as a motivation and drive for me to pursue the corporate aspect of peace-making between all my friends and neighbours, of all religions. Peace-making is utmost important especially in the Singaporean context as we are a multi-racial and multi-religious society".



A performance by graduating kids

‘Gracious Hearts, Loving World’

Children folktales were brought to life at Jamiyah Singapore’s Early Childhood Education (ECE) centres’ graduation concert and exhibition on Sunday, 20th November 2016. The children from Jamiyah Kindergarten (JK), Jamiyah Childcare Centre (JCCC) and Global Child Development Centre (GCDC) performed musicals entitled ‘The Stone Soup’, ‘Tanggung’ and ‘The Magic of Kindness’, respectively, echoing the theme of the occasion, ‘Gracious Hearts, Loving World’. All of the stories portrayed the importance of having moral values and the care and concern for others before self.

In preparing the children for the event, K2 teachers organised activities in class such as role-playing and introduced the idea of ‘bucket fillers’. “We are at the time of our lives where we need to teach our children the values of being gracious and united, regardless of race, language or religion. We hope to inculcate the values of sharing, kindness, respecting others, and filial piety in our children,” said Ms Nor

Jehan Salleh, Chairperson of the ECE’s graduation concert and exhibition committee, and Principal of GCDC. 60 K2 children filled the stage and sang the tunes harmoniously to an audience of proud teachers and parents.

Dr Koh Poh Koon, Minister of State, Ministry of National Development, Ministry of Trade & Industry, and Member of Parliament of Ang Mo Kio GRC, was also present as Guest-of-Honour. In his speech, Dr Koh stated, “We are always reminded through the theme that today, all of us here, as parents and members of the community, play an important role to build a more gracious, a more peaceful and a more harmonious world. Especially in this globalized world today, we are always connected to other parts of the world, and easily influenced by the internet.”

After the event, parents and invited guests visited the exhibition that show-cased some of the works by the children.



Dr Koh presenting the Certificate of Completion to an ECE Centre graduate watched by Dr Mohd Hasbi Abu Bakar, President of Jamiyah Singapore



Dr Isa (Vice-President III of Jamiyah), greeting Ven. Sik Kwang Sheng, Abbot of Kong Meng San Phor Kark See Monastery

A Prosperous Friendship

It has been the tradition of Jamiyah Singapore to maintain friendly, cordial relationships with all, irrespective of race or religion. The same principle applies to its relations with Singapore Buddhist Lodge (SBL), a relationship that started as far back as during the leadership of Jamiyah’s late President, Tuan Haji Abu Bakar Maidin and SBL’s late President, Mr Lee Bok Guan. Hence, it is no surprise that Jamiyah Singapore, a Muslim organisation, sits in the Singapore Buddhist Lodge Welfare Foundation committee.

Dr Isa Hassan, Vice President III of Jamiyah, stood out as the only Malay guest who spoke before the Guest of Honour, Mr Tan Chuan-Jin, Minister for Social and Family Development, and the recipients of the Hong Bao Distribution event. There were some Muslim Malays among the recipients – a clear evidence that the Singapore Buddhist Lodge also opens its welfare services to all, regardless of race or religion.

In his speech, Dr Isa commented, “The fact that I am here delivering my speech on behalf of a Malay/Muslim organisation at the invitation of a Buddhist organisation, speaks volumes of the relationship Jamiyah has for the Singapore Buddhist Lodge and for other fraternal organisations.”

The presence of Jamiyah’s staff at Singapore Buddhist Lodge’s event, working together with their staff and volunteers, reflects the cohesion and friendship between the two organisations, and goes along well with Singapore’s multi-racial way of life.



Singapore Buddhist Lodge- Minister Tan Chuan-Jin distributing Hong Bao

A Warehouse For Jamiyah's

'FOOD BANK'

After the launch of Jamiyah's Food Bank in May 2016, Jamiyah, at end of 2016, started managing a 4-storey warehouse to store donations for its Food Bank. Food staples such as rice, cooking oil, beverages, sugar, and salt, are the current items stored at the warehouse. To ensure its smooth operations, the warehouse is operated by a Warehouse Assistant, Warehouse Clerk, Food Bank Manager and the Food Bank Committee.

During its official launch, aimed at combating food wastage in Singapore, Guest of Honour, Minister for Environment and Water Resources, Mr Masagos Zulkifli, noted that food waste generated in Singapore has increased by about 48 per cent over the past 10 years and is expected to rise in the coming years.

Another motive in launching the Food Bank is to lighten the financial burden of beneficiaries of Jamiyah Singapore. Director of Jamiyah's Community Outreach & Development Department (CODD), Mr Abdul Halim Aliman, explained, "With the establishment of the Food Bank, we hope that the needy can now focus on improving other aspects of their lives, like developing themselves for better paying jobs. This we hope, would take away the daily struggle and stress of having to bring back food for the family".

Items in the warehouse were donated by kind-hearted individuals – one of them donated air-conditioners for all levels of the warehouse. The air-conditioners help to preserve food items and create a comfortable working environment for the staff there. Jamiyah Food Bank is also blessed to have the support of other benevolent donors from various organizations – they sponsor food items monthly, all in the name of charity.

Jamiyah warmly welcome all members of the public to support its Food Bank by donating any food items that will be distributed to the less privileged.



Neatly arranged items at the warehouse



Jamiyah Singapore aims to minimize the poverty cycle by enhancing the employability of its welfare beneficiaries. On Saturday, 14th January 2017, the organisation signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with NTUC U Care Centre (UCC) at Marsiling Community Club.

Last year, on 20 February, Jamiyah launched the 'Empowering and Caring for Families' (ECF) Programme for its beneficiaries. The programme consists of modular courses to facilitate families under Jamiyah's care to upgrade themselves for the workforce and maintain a healthy relationship with their spouses and children and grow as a family unit.

The collaboration with NTUC UCC will supplement the ECF programme. 12 families who completed the Empowering and Caring for our

Families programme at Marsiling Community Club, organised by Jamiyah's Community Outreach & Development Department (CODD), are among those who will benefit from NTUC UCC's services, including the 29 families who later graduated at Henderson-Dawson Community Club on 21 January 2017.

"NTUC U Care Centre is very pleased to partner Jamiyah on this journey to help more of our low-wage workers and their families. We began working with community partners last year and Jamiyah has been very supportive from the start. We look forward to more meaningful stories of workers and families who benefit from the programmes through our partnership," said Mr Zainal Sapari, NTUC Assistant Secretary-General and U Care Centre Director.

Mr Zainal Sapari, who is also a Member of Parliament for Pasir Ris-Punggol GRC, signed the MOU with Mr Mohd Yunus Mohd Shariff, Vice President II of Jamiyah Singapore.

"Here at Jamiyah, we ensure that our beneficiaries receive an all-rounded care for their welfare. Besides ensuring that they have sufficient food at home, we also try to help them get out of the poverty cycle. This collaboration with NTUC UCC ensures that our beneficiaries can be independent enough to manage their families' well-being on their own." shared Mr Abdul Halim Aliman, Director of CODD.

The event was graced by Mdm Halimah Yaacob, Speaker of Parliament and Member of Parliament for Marsiling-Yew Tee GRC, who was the Guest-of-Honour.



Mr Zainal Sapari and Mr Mohd Yunus (Vice-President II of Jamiyah) shaking hands after signing the MOU. In the middle is Mdm Halimah Yaacob

A Collaboration With NTUC UCC To Enhance Employability

Towards A Healthy Living

This annual ‘Mass Circumcision’ event held at Jamiyah Singapore in Nov/Dec 2016, saw parents given the opportunity of a free health screening while waiting for their sons.

Organised by the Muslim Healthcare Professionals Association (MHPA) together with Jamiyah Singapore and the Islamic Religious Council of Singapore (MUIS), the new initiative is meant to create awareness to parents on the importance of health and the approach towards healthy living.

“Islam enjoins us to look after the wellbeing of one’s self, so we thought this event would be a good platform to carry the message,” explained Mohd Ali Bin Kamal Batcha, a volunteer with MHPA, who also headed the event, as part of the organisation’s Community Outreach Programme.

60-year-old Mohd Razali Ajmain, whose grandson was in line for the surgical procedure, benefitted from the free health screening.

“It’s good that they provide this service. It is for our own health, after all,” said Razali.



The team of volunteers from MHPA: from us, ‘thank you!’

The event that was held at Al-Malik Faisal Hall, Jamiyah Singapore, and at level 5 of the building, saw the eager participation of 12 doctors and 70 volunteers that included nurses, as well as medical and nursing students.

Children from Jamiyah Singapore’s list of beneficiaries were among the 70 children present for the Mass Circumcision.

“My role is to bring the children to the surgery area in a comfortable manner. I comfort them by playing small games like ‘Pepsi cola’, ‘Chopsticks;” said 19-year-old Amirzeb s/ov Aurangzeb, who is a volunteer and also a first year Medical student at the National University of Singapore (NUS).

He continued, “As volunteers we have to help the boys. Sometimes while waiting for their turn, they can hear the surgery going on for the other boys, so I’ll bring them to a corner so that they can’t hear or see anything that will scare them, because it shouldn’t.”

This is the 6th year that MHPA is organizing the Mass Circumcision with Jamiyah and MUIS.



“We’re done!”

‘Paradise at Home’ With Dato’ Ustaz Kazim Elias



Ustaz Kazim Elias’s Talk in progress

Prominent Malaysian religious speaker, Dato’ Ustaz Kazim Elias, spoke to a full house audience at Jamiyah Children’s Home on Saturday, 26th November 2016. Apart from the main hall, the basketball area was also made available for attendees – and was full by the time the Ustaz starts his Talk.

“People look forward to Dato’ Ustaz Kazim’s session because the topic discussed is current and brings a lot of benefit to the community. Who doesn’t want to achieve a happy family in a home?” quipped Jamiyah’s Secretary General, Mr Rafiuddin Ismail, who coordinated the event.

A big crowd of about 1,000 people attended the session entitled, ‘Ada Syurga Di Rumahku’ (Paradise in My Home), organized by Jamiyah Singapore. Ustaz Kazim began by defining ‘home’ and its elements, stating that it is a place where one is most comfortable in, feels most secure, most at peace and makes one the happiest. All this is possible if occupants in the household help each other to build such an atmosphere. He also emphasized the importance of the institution of the family and the need to fill the spirit of love in the home, highlighting the crucial roles of the husband and wife.

“Husbands, please be reminded, that just because we are the head of the family, it does not mean we hold more power. In a relationship, it’s not about who has more power, it’s about who is doing the right thing in terms of our religious teachings,” shared Ustaz Kazim, adding that the wife too has to contribute to ensure a happy home.



The attentive audience at ‘Ada Syurga Di Rumahku’

He also advised the audience to always be accepting of advises from our ‘other half’.

“We are always looking in the mirror, and we can only make right to what we see through the mirror, but we can’t see what’s behind. The one who is able to see (us) is our ‘other half’. So when he/she advise us something that is not visible to us, accept it with an open heart.”

Ustaz Kazim ended the session with a reminder: always refer to the teachings of Allah swt and Prophet Muhammad, and InshaAllah our ‘Home’ can develop into something akin to a ‘Paradise’.

Tips To Achieving Paradise At Home:

- Produce the best of yourself. If you want the best out of your partner, it must start from you. Fulfill your responsibilities as a husband/wife that was bestowed upon you by Allah swt.
- Inculcate the concept of ‘Paradise’ at home, starting with relatively small things such as good food on the table for all to share and moving on to bigger things such as loving and forgiving each other.

In educating the young on the topic of puberty, Jamiyah Education Centre (JEC) ran its annual school holiday programme entitled, 'Meniti Usia Baligh' (Through Puberty) on 11th December 2016.

Held at MDIS (Changi Road), the programme covered issues like knowing the signs of puberty for both boys and girls, as well as understanding LGBT (Lesbian-Gay-Bisexual-Transgender) relationship in the Islamic context.

Esteemed guest speakers, Ustazah Nur Hafiza Roslee and Ustaz Mohammad Fairuz Shah were invited to conduct the sessions with the youths. Both Asatizahs have participated in JEC's programmes prior to the occasion and were well-received by the students. Mr Mohamed Khair, Executive Chairman and Principal Consultant of Suchi Success Initiatives Pte Ltd, also participated in a special session with the awaiting parents, where he spoke about the secrets to a happy family.

"Some of the feedback received was that the session with Mr Khair was eye-opening and useful as the tips shared could be easily implemented. We also had parents inquiring if the programme is done annually as they found it beneficial for their children and themselves," shared Ms Susilawati Samaat, one of the program's coordinators. The programme was attended by 55 participants aged 9 - 14 years old, and it is currently in its 5th year.

Ms Susilawati added, "Our challenge is always on keeping the programme fresh for participants. If we continue to have the same activities, those who have attended in previous years might not be interested so we have to be creative."

Apart from school holiday programmes for youths, JEC also offers a variety of religious programmes for the Singapore Muslim community that offers convenience for working adults, like 'Learn the Quran in 48 Hours' or LQ48H and Basic Religious Class.



Growing Up



A session for parents of participants by Mr Mohd Khair

New Goals and Plans For Jamiyah Kindergarten

Mdm Nurull with students of JK



An adjunct lecturer to Early Childhood Education students and now Principal of Jamiyah Kindergarten (JK), Mdm Nurull Syaahidah has set new goals and plans for the kindergarten. Read more to find out what they are.

Why did you decide to join Jamiyah Kindergarten?

After 20 years of working at various childcare centres and kindergartens, I became an adjunct lecturer to part-time early childhood students. This role developed my passion and commitment to further share my knowledge, which led to an interest in serving the community. Hence, why I choose Jamiyah Kindergarten, a school managed by a Volunteer Welfare Organisation (VWO). This way, I can serve the community while working.

What are your plans and goals for JK in 2017? What are the activities involved?

I aspire to build JK's brand name and develop it into one of the best kindergartens in Singapore. My primary focus would be on parents' involvement. Besides that, the teachers and I are working hard to achieve the SPARK Accreditation for JK. I will also review its curriculum to ensure better standards.

Why do you think parents' involvement is important for the development of the children?

As a mother of three, I find that parental support attributes to strong bond and trust. Furthermore, research shows that parental involvement projects relationship that bridges understanding, communication and awareness between the parent and teacher. When parents get heavily involved in their school activities and events, they are showing their children that they care. This would bring about confidence and boost self-esteem in the child and make them enjoy school. Therefore, I'm looking forward to build a strong Parent Support Group and have informal sessions with parents twice a year.

How can parents play their part in their children's school?

Parents can join their children in learning journeys with the school. And during celebrations and events in school, parents are encouraged to participate and contribute their help while engaging with the children. They can also volunteer to read stories to help teachers develop the children's reading skills. I encourage parents to be parent volunteers and join me to form a strong parent support group. There are many more rooms for parents' involvement at JK, InshaAllah!

Tap To Donate Jamiyah's New 'Flag Day' Approach

Jamiyah Singapore's Annual Flag Day in December 2016 saw a unique approach in soliciting public donations. For the first time ever, members of the public were able to donate using their Ez-Link card in addition to the traditional method of putting coins into metal tins. This initiative is a collaboration between Jamiyah Singapore, CEPAS Ez-Link and Donorbox Pte Ltd, a company that provides online fundraising software.

"The Donorbox Flag Day app is based on the 'tap-and-go' concept, so that a donation can be completed in 5 seconds. It is fast, cashless and highly mobile – and is very much in line with the direction of the smart nation initiative. For the organisation, it is definitely a lot more efficient since there is no need to manage the logistics of distributing donation cans, collecting them back, and counting coins. For donors, paying with their EZ-Link cards is probably more convenient than having to rummage their bags or pockets for loose change," explained Mr Steven Tan, Managing Director of Donorbox.

Some 200 staff and volunteers participated in the activity, with the collection point located island-wide including



14 A donor tapping his EZ Link card onto a volunteer's smartphone



Happy volunteers at the Flag Day 2016

Jurong East, Admiralty, Bedok, Bishan and Bugis MRT station.

Dr Mohd Hasbi Abu Bakar, President of Jamiyah Singapore shared, "Flag Day is important to Non-Profit Organisations like Jamiyah as the cost of running our services for the less privileged also depend on the proceeds. However, we also want to make donating as convenient as possible for the donors. Technology is certainly helping us achieve this progress."

Jamiyah Home for the Aged made it to the Singapore Book of Records!

20 residents from 'Jamiyah Home for the Aged' (JHA) contributed an art piece made of glass marbles to form part of the largest *rangoli* measuring 10m by 12m, named 'Rangoli Radiance'. The residents' artwork were displayed at the Gardens by The Bay in conjunction with the Deepavali celebration. JHA was one of the 25 organisations that participated in making the collage a success. The collage was officially unveiled by Mr Heng Chee How, Senior Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office and MP for Jalan Besar GRC. The residents, together with 6 staff of JHA, were present for the unveiling of the *rangoli*.

The residents and staff were very happy to be part of this art project especially when Rangoli Radiance made it to the Singapore Book of Records. For their hard work, creativity and participation, the Home was given a certificate. JHA has another reason to be proud: Rangoli Radiance was their second recognition and contribution to the national records. In 2015, the residents made collages with multi-



Coloured rice rangoli

shaped mirrors and line drawings. These art pieces were part of the 9m by 22m *rangoli*. Once again our residents' contributed to the then largest contemporary *rangoli*, which was displayed at Jurong Spring Zone B Residents Committee Deepavali celebration. Ms Bhavana Rao, Superintendent of JHA, commented that she was glad to represent JHA and receive the certificate at the event.

Both national art pieces were guided by JHA's volunteer visual artist, Ms Vijaya Mohan. Ms Bhavana collaborated with National Arts Council to start the art therapy sessions for the residents in 2015 and so far, the residents love the sessions. One evidence: participation numbers increased after each session. With their enthusiasm and active participation in the creation of the art, part of Rangoli Radiance was completed within just a day with the help of only a Physiotherapist and a Physiotherapist Aide.



Toothpick rangoli, one of the rangolis that won the award



Celebrating Mothers

The 24th Exemplary Mother Award (EMA) goes to 62-year-old Mdm Ling Bee Sian at its prestigious annual hi-tea ceremony held at Mandarin Orchard Hotel on 22nd October 2016. Organised by the Women & Family Department of Jamiyah Singapore, Mdm Ling's victory was based on the unanimous decision made by the panel of judges at the interview session with the finalists, chaired by Ms Claire Chiang, Senior Vice President of Banyan Tree Holdings Ltd and Mdm Yu-Foo Yee Shoon, Adviser to the panel of judges.

"I really didn't expect to receive this award," said Mdm Ling, still in daze after her interviews with officials from the Media. Mdm Ling's journey through her challenges is a classic example of perseverance amidst life's trials and tribulations. From leaving her dream career to be closer to her family, to an unexpected divorce after settling her then-husband's gambling debts, to almost being bedridden after a hard fall, Mdm Ling braved through it all. "When I was in the hospital recovering from my fall, my children was there, and it made me realise that I need to be strong for them as they still need me," said Mdm Ling who used to believe that a family is only complete with both parents.

Her perseverance and strong-willed attribute is commendable. Mdm Ling, who is currently a Director at a Welfare Home, remained focused through her ordeals and even continued her passion of contributing to the community.

Preparations for the annual EMA starts as early as January for the committee of 12 volunteers, with the launch of nominations in May, usually in conjunction with Mother's Day. This year, the Exemplary Mother Award will be celebrating its Silver Jubilee Year. This annual event is chaired by Mdm Nora Rustham, Chairperson of Jamiyah's Women and Family Department and Mdm Faridah Ajis as Event Director.



The President Of Singapore, and wife, flanked by the awardees, judges and committee members

Baking with Chef Siti



Chef Siti Mastura giving the tips to better baking

The Women & Family Department of Jamiyah Singapore organised a baking demonstration class with notable local chef and baker, Mdm Siti Mastura on Saturday, 5th November 2016.

Some 25 ladies attended the session that was held at JBS International College (JBSIC) where Chef Siti showed the step-by-step process of baking a 'Fresh Mango Roll Cake'. "No matter how soothing the batter feels due to it being soft and cold, ensure that you only mix it for a few seconds and not overmix," advised Chef Siti while folding melted butter into the batter with her own hand, which she claimed is one of the best tools when it comes to mixing.

The attendees were enlightened with more tips like the proper settings to an oven, and how important it is to use cold eggs for roll cakes. Her message: avoid disappointments from the common mistake of having the cake fall apart when the time came to roll it.

At the end of the 2-hour session, Chef Siti introduced the class to some of her signature baked goods and pre-mixes that were available for purchase such as the traditional Malay kueh, 'Putri Salat' and the indulgent 'Brownies'. The pre-mixes, under the label 'Vanilla', were initially introduced as a means to assist single mothers earn an income for

themselves and their family. Single mothers are now able to start their own business by baking and selling the brownies, with the assurance of its quality. Chef Siti even shared that the brownies can be enhanced with the addition of nuts or even a drizzle of chocolate hazelnut sauce.

The baking demonstration class is part of the *Diva Wellness Connect*, a community programme for the wellbeing of women by The Women & Family Department of Jamiyah Singapore.



International Conference on Religion and Peace: Initiatives by Muslim Organizations in Southeast Asia

(20-21 October 2016 @ Mandarin Orchard Hotel Singapore)



Dr Ng Eng Hen engaging in a discussion with Dr Mohd Hasbi, Datuk Dr Haji Mohd Jamil, and the delegates

Jamiyah Singapore, in collaboration with the Islamic Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO) held a successful two-day international conference on the timely theme of 'Religion and Peace', specifically the role and contributions by Muslim NGOs in Southeast Asia in fostering peace with all religions. The conference was geared towards supplementing other initiatives by especially governments in this part of the world in demonstrating their determination to tackle this growing sense of tension and vulnerability engulfing the region.

The conference was officially opened by the Honorable Dr Ng Eng Hen, Minister for Defence (Singapore), with ISESCO's Official Representative,

Dr Abdelillah Benarafa, delivering his Keynote Address. In his Opening Speech, Dr Ng reiterated the continuing need to be vigilant against radical and extremist religious groups and lauded the organizers for taking the initiative to discuss the important issue of the peaceful role of religion in times such as today. He also encouraged Jamiyah Singapore to press on this peace program vigorously.

On his part, Dr Benarafa, in his presentation entitled, "Muslim World: Geo-political data and principles for building a 'Culture of Peace' in the World", echoed the similar sentiment of the need for religions to get their followers to spread the message of peace and goodwill amongst all faith

communities. He also highlighted the many services of ISESCO in peace building across the world.

Conference' Speakers and Delegates

The conference was well attended and well participated, alhamdulillah. Jamiyah Singapore's target of inviting about 100 guests and dignitaries to attend the Official Opening and another 50 participants to then deliberate on the presentations and issues raised during the two-day sessions, were fulfilled. The majority of Southeast Asian countries were represented in the conference, including Malaysia, Thailand, Philippines, Singapore, Vietnam, Myanmar, Indonesia, Cambodia, Brunei Darussalam and Timor Leste.

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Dr Ng Eng Hen (Guest-of-Honor), delivering his Official Opening Address. In his Speech, Dr Ng reiterated the continuing need to be vigilant against radical and extremist religious groups and lauded Jamiyah for helping to organize the conference.



Dr H M Saleem (Vice-President I of Jamiyah) presenting a token of appreciation to Dr Abdelillah Benarafa

The 50-odd Muslim scholars, grassroots activists and other concerned leaders discussed and shared their experiences in spreading the message of peace and goodwill in their own respective countries – amongst themselves and between Muslims and non-Muslims. Participants also shared the policies and programs that were adopted by their governments, as well as the problems and challenges they encountered in going about this noble endeavor.

However, realizing that any discussions about peace in any country by Muslims will be incomplete without a more holistic understanding of what other 'partners of development', specifically co-religionists, perceive and contribute

towards the same goal, Jamiyah Singapore invited three prominent non-Muslim leaders (Buddhist, Christian and Hindu) to share their thoughts on the issue of peace.

Dr William Wan, Ven Dr K Gunaratana and Swami Satyalokananda opened their hearts and spoke candidly as to what their respective faith communities have done in building bridges with all, including Muslims. These mutual sharing of Muslim-non-Muslim views and experiences were appreciated by participants; many hoped that the universal message of peace from all religions will enable us to foster better rapport, goodwill and collaboration towards a better world for all.

Given the success of this international conference that involves presenters and delegates from Southeast Asia, Jamiyah Singapore hope to expand this message of peace further afield.

In the pipeline is a possible international conference on the related theme of 'Islamic Identity and Peaceful Coexistence' that we are planning to co-host with yet another well-known Muslim world body, the Muslim World League or *Rabitah Al-Alam Al-Islami*, which is based in Makkah al-Mukarramah.



Speakers, Delegates and Organizers

Jamiyah Singapore: Events & Happenings



Top Student of Project Lend-A-Hand, Roshan Ahmad Shaqir, receiving his prize present by Assoc. Prof. Dr Muhd Faishal Ibrahim, Parliamentary Sec., Ministry of Education & Ministry of Social and Family Development



Briefing by senior officials of the Agency of Integrated Care (AIC)



Children from GDCD having a fun time in our school



"First day at school is surely fun!"



Rice donation by 'Singapore Car Enthusiasts' Group



Our children's performance at the ECE graduation concert



Halfway House Service Model: Signing Ceremony at Prison HQ



Our Sec. Gen., Mr. Rafiudin, at Thong Teck Charitable Institution



"We've graduated from Little Huffaz!"



Dr Mohd Hasbi at Cairo University Chancellory



Jamiyah Nursing Home's (JNH) National Day celebration with Minister Iswaran



'Fun Futsal' for JHH residents!



Two Pencak Silat World Champions sparring at Launch of JCH Silat Academy

Two Organisations, Two Nations - & One Heart

When two organisations share similar objectives, what better thing to do than to collaborate for a good cause. Jamiyah Singapore signed a Memorandum of Understanding with a welfare organisation having its HQ in Terengganu, Pertubuhan Kebajikan Anak Yatim Malaysia (PEYATIM), or 'Welfare Organisation for Malaysian Orphans', on 17 October 2016.

The MOU is meant to lay the foundation for possible broader, joint programmes that could leverage on available resources and capabilities within each organisation. It will also focus on programmes and services that are directed at the capacity-building of both organisations. This will encompass study visits, talks, workshops and seminars. Areas of interest include nursing, early childhood education and moral education programs.



Dr Mohd Hasbi & Prof. Dato' Dr Haji Tengku Mahmud signing the MOU

"This relationship between Jamiyah Singapore and PEYATIM will certainly benefit both Singapore and Malaysia, as well as their respective communities. It is an opportunity to share the best practices in serving the communities," said Dr Mohd Hasbi Abu Bakar, President of Jamiyah Singapore.

Days before signing the MOU, PEYATIM's President, Prof. Dato' Dr Haji Tengku Mahmud Bin Mansor, had visited Jamiyah Children's Home and Jamiyah Nursing Home with several officials to learn about the various services of Jamiyah Singapore. During the visits, both organisations shared ideas and discussions for mutual benefit.

About PEYATIM

PEYATIM is a welfare organisation for orphans and needy children in Malaysia. It houses close to 4,000 Malaysian orphans in 54 dormitories and organises activities and programmes to develop them. One distinctive feature of PEYATIM is its College University Bestari that offers Degree, Masters and even PhD. programmes. This way, orphans have a pathway for their future career development.

'Muslim Youth Ambassador Of Peace' (MYAP) Goes International!



Newly appointed MYAP: Spreading message of Peace, wherever we go!

In October 2015, Jamiyah Singapore appointed 20 Muslim Youth Ambassadors of Peace (MYAP) at a Muslim Youth Seminar held jointly by Jamiyah, the Federation of Indian Muslims, Singapore Kadayannur Muslim League (SKML), and Indian Muslim Professionals. MYAP was formed to spread the message of peace, targeting the youths as they are more vulnerable to radicalism.

Exactly a year later, the Muslim Youth Ambassador of Peace International (MYAPI) is born, spreading across the South East Asian region for a start. At the opening of the International Conference for Religion and Peace co-hosted with the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO), Jamiyah appointed 10 MYAPI from Philippines, Vietnam, Cambodia, Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, Albania and Thailand.

One of the ambassadors, Deputy Rector of the Fatoni University in Thailand, Dr Sukree Langputeh, shared, "In order to restore peace to southern Thailand, I'm confident that my role as an ambassador for peace can encourage friends in the education sector as well as many other ambassadors. We also hope to collaborate with the local Muslim Youth Ambassadors from Jamiyah who were appointed in the first round, to encourage sharing of experiences with each other."

Dr Ng Eng Hen, Minister for Defence, was the Guest of Honour at the International Conference. He presented the Certificates of Appointment to the 10 new Ambassadors.

New Arrivals

Nazirul
(Jamiyah Home For Aged)

Joining Jamiyah is an avenue and an opportunity to channel my energy and help the society.

Hanisah
(Clementi Student Care Centre)

I joined Jamiyah because Jamiyah provides me the platform to pursue a career in which I am passionate in and at the same time, give back to the community.

Kamsani
(Jamiyah Children's Home)
Unique experience and an eye opener to the good work of jamiyah.

Suzana
(Jamiyah Nursing Home)
I joined Jamiyah because I want to impart my years of experience in nursing to help out the community.

Suhairi
(Jamiyah Foodbank)

Joining Jamiyah is helping one another and serving the community

Zafirah
(GCDC Woodlands)

Jamiyah is known for its contributions towards the community. I too would like to do my part to contribute. By being part of the team, I feel I'm doing what I could to help and serve the community.



Long Service

Salleh Rahim
48 years of service



Mr Salleh Rahim started as Assistant Secretary of Jamiyah's Education Committee at the age of 28, when he was Clerical Officer for Singapore's former Education Board. Impressed with his voluntary spirit and passion for the community, he was later appointed as an Executive Council Member of the organisation, helping out with the editorial board of Voice of Islam and drafting Jamiyah's marketing collaterals. His official role in Jamiyah began as a Secretary of Jamiyah's Membership Department. He recalled that at that time, a year's membership costs \$6.

Mr Salleh is now 76 years old and is currently Jamiyah's Fundraising Officer (GIRO unit). With his jolly personality, Mr Salleh never fails to add cheer and make his colleagues laugh. When asked what is it about Jamiyah that makes him stay this long, he chuckled and said, "I'm just happy to play a small part in helping the community."

Zainuddin Ismail
46 years of service



When it comes to looking for someone with the institutional memory of Jamiyah, Mr Zainuddin is the person to refer to. Shadowing his grandfather and father, who were supporters of Jamiyah in its early days, Mr Zainuddin started his active involvement with Jamiyah in 1970. He later became a Life Member and also appointed Hon. Secretary General II. He was actively involved in the VOI's editorial board and helped much in the Dakwah and Tabligh work, and also with Jamiyah's publications, exhibitions, and Talks.

He noted Jamiyah was then well-known, leading PM Goh Chok Tong to describe it as a 'national institution'. In fact, Jamiyah was the base by which its 'Roving Ambassador of Peace', Abdul Aleem Siddique, was stationed, and who was instrumental in forming the Inter-Religious Organization in 1949. Mr Zainuddin received the Long Service Award in 1980.

Yakub Yusuf Vadia
29 years of service



Mr Yakub, also known among Jamiyah's staff as 'Imam', has been serving Jamiyah since 1987. He leads prayers at our Haji Ahmad Esoof Piperdi and Hajjah Mominbi Ahmad Angulia Mosque located in Jamiyah Headquarters.

Jamiyah's dedicated Imam has won some awards – one of them is the Community Service Award. A person who is passionate about his work, Mr Yakub believes that, amongst the few possessions that a person acquires, he or she should stay true to his job.

"The longer a person stays in a job, the more he/she will gain benefit from the organisation and grow as a person. Because you will make mistakes, learn from the mistakes and move forward to make something better," says the wise Imam. Imam Yakub personally believes that one should be sincere and honest in performing any job in order to bear his fruits of labour.

Refeah Sarmani
26 years of service



Serving since 1990, Ms Rafeah is very familiar with all of Jamiyah's education centres. She began her journey with Jamiyah Singapore as a Kindergarten Teacher, and throughout the years, she progressed to various positions and departments. She is now based in Jamiyah's HQ and supports its administration work with her can-do and persevering attitude.

Ms Rafeah shared that she has been given the opportunity to serve the community and ummah, has seen the organisation's success and feels happy and delighted that she gets to be part of the 'new Jamiyah' – filled with new ideas, bold initiatives and more community projects. The organisation's Long Service Award recipient advises that in going about one's job, it is important to instil positivity, build relationships, be willing to help others and share knowledge.

Many Heads Are Better Than One

While many are out of town for the holidays, some 30 Heads of Department (HOD) of Jamiyah Singapore travelled to Malaysia for Jamiyah's annual *Strategic Planning Retreat* last December. The 3-day session was held at The Puteri Pacific Hotel in Johor Bahru.

Jamiyah Singapore is not only one of the oldest Muslim organizations – it is now celebrating its 85th Anniversary, it is also one of the largest - over 330 staff and close to 20 departments from its Homes and Centres collectively. Strategic planning with all departments every year, while important, can be dry and time consuming. Hence, the 3-day retreat is a must-have to inject a little fun into the session while engaging in serious appraisal of existing projects and planning ahead for future undertakings.

Every HOD had the opportunity to present plans for their respective departments for 2017 to the Senior Management, who in return gave valuable comments and suggestions. For the HODs, it was an opportunity to share with each other the challenges faced by their departments. The spirit of teamwork and a family atmosphere are evident, as they exchanged and shared ideas about their tasks. The Retreat was also an opportunity for the HODs to bond, especially with newcomers.

At the end of all the presentations, the HODs find many opportunities for mutual collaboration between departments and resolved to combine their resources so as to serve the community better and more efficiently. The Women & Family Department for example, can collaborate with Jamiyah Nursing Home to benefit elderly women in the Homes and the community. Clearly, the Strategic Planning will be more productive when many heads are put together for the same mission and purpose.



A session by Dr Isa Hassan, Vice-President III



Some HODs with Senior Management of Jamiyah

Religious Harmony: Other Perspectives

The two-day International Conference that Jamiyah Singapore co-hosted with the Islamic Education Scientific and Cultural Organisation (ISESCO) in October 2016, brought Muslim scholars and grassroots activists from Southeast Asia together, to share their initiatives in promoting religious harmony in their countries. Besides hearing from the Muslim speakers, the audience gets to hear from the non-Muslims' perspectives of religious harmony. Our speakers were three leaders from the three main religious groups in this Republic - Venerable Dr K Gunaratana, Dr William Wan, and Mr Swami Satyalokananda - representing the Buddhist, Christian, and Hindu communities respectively. The following are excerpts from their speeches.



Venerable Dr K Gunaratana
Religious Advisor
Mahakaruna Buddhist Society

We Buddhists believe, if the objectives are positive and so too the mental factors, the accompanying consequence of that thought is positive, and the results will also be positive – we call this act a ‘meritorious act’. Buddha rose in a society amidst a multitude of divergent religious ideologies, some of which had matured over the centuries. It was a formidable task to maintain cordial relationships with contemporary religious groups and their leading proponents. However, Buddha’s attitude to other religions has been described as one of ‘critical tolerance’.

Buddhists see this character of Buddha as an example to follow – namely, tolerance towards others’ beliefs. He does not enforce his beliefs and teachings, but rather, prefers not to accept their differences while encouraging disbelievers to investigate his teachings openly. In a multi-religious country like Singapore, this act of tolerance with one another should be practiced to ensure peace and stability of the nation.



Swami Satyalokananda
Vice-President
Ramakrishna Mission

One of the main problems about religion, is its diversity. Not only are there several religions but they differ from one another in many ways. Further, each claims to show the right way of life, and each claims to provide supreme peace and fulfilment. The world is filled with a plethora of people with varying religious beliefs. Singaporeans are multi-racial and multi-religious. Whatever the difference among the various religious groups, all of us have the same hope – which is, to live peacefully with each other. The religions, however different they are, teach their believers to be good and kind to all. People call things differently due to their backgrounds and the culture they grow up from, but we all actually believe in the same thing. This is shown by the examples of Sri Ramakrishna, who broke the frontiers of Hinduism, glided through the paths of Islam and Christianity, and attained the highest realization through each of them in a short span of time. He looked upon Jesus and Buddha as incarnations of God, and venerated the ten Sikh Gurus. He expressed the quintessence of his twelve-year-long spiritual realizations in a simple dictum: Yato mat, tato path “As many faiths, so many paths.”



Dr William Wan
General Secretary
Singapore Kindness Movement

Peace is essential to Christianity, and Christians must seek to be peacemakers. Religious people sometimes tend to make simple things difficult. One of the things that makes it difficult for us to understand peace is the “spiritualization” of peace. Christians tend to think of the peace of Christ as something that is within us, the inner peace, and something that flows in our belief in Christ. But I’d like to suggest, that if we make it personal, we are not having a full understanding of peace. In other words, it is not complete to stop at personal inner peace.

Jesus Christ also said that we must be peacemakers; hence, we need to go beyond achieving personal inner peace. Inward looking peace should not become an end itself, but instead, a means to an end. It’s not just about knowing that there is God, but also about participating to achieve a better world – a world of peace and goodwill to all humankind. It is the peace-making that makes us all the Children of God.

President of Jamiyah visits Egypt and Saudi Arabia

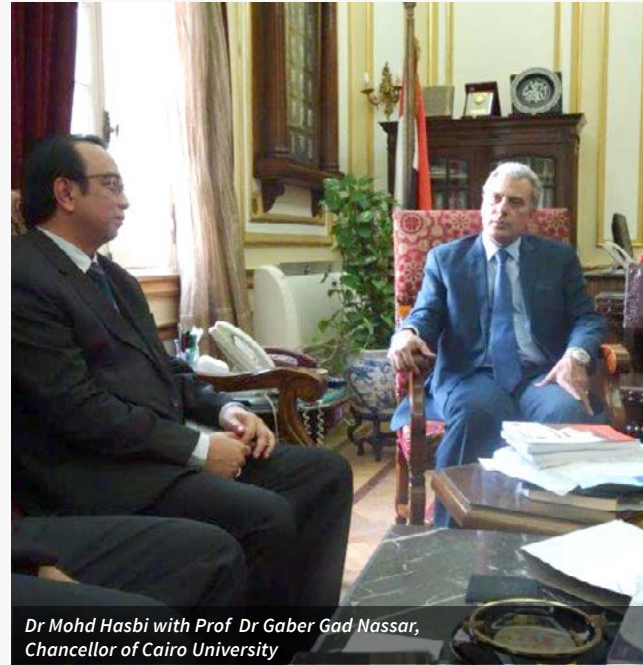
Dr. Mohd Hasbi Abu Bakar, President of Jamiyah Singapore, was invited by His Excellency Dr Eng Salahuddin El-Gafrawi (Advisor, ISESCO's Cultural Affairs Directorate), to attend "The 2nd International Conference for Arabic Civilization and Islamic Arts", from 26 to 29 October 2016 in Luxor City, Egypt. The conference was organized by ISESCO and Al-Maktoum Foundation in cooperation with the Arab Association of Civilization and Islamic Arts, and the Province of Luxor.

Among the objectives of the conference were the promotion of human values and civilizational artefacts, between cultures, religions, beliefs the world over.

Taking the opportunity of the conference, Dr Mohd Hasbi and a small Jamiyah delegation, paid courtesy visits to the well-known Al-Azhar University in Cairo. During the visit, Dr Hasbi was welcomed by its Deputy Rector, His Eminence Prof Dr Mohamed Mahmoud Ahmed Hashem.



Dr Mohd Hasbi and Secretary-General of Rabitah Al-Alam Al-Islami, flanked by Jamiyah's Ustadz Andi and Mr Mustafa



Dr Mohd Hasbi with Prof Dr Gaber Gad Nassar, Chancellor of Cairo University

They discussed ways of strengthening the good relationship between Jamiyah and Al-Azhar, such as securing Al-Azhar's assistance in upgrading the quality of Jamiyah's Arabic language teachers and curricula in particular, and other Arabic language and religious teachers and educators in general.

Another meeting was held with His Excellency, Prof Dr Gaber Gad Nassar, Chancellor of Cairo University on the same topic of possible cooperation in the teaching and learning of the Arabic language in Singapore, especially to non-native speakers.

Dr Mohd Hasbi and his delegation then flew to Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. He congratulated His Excellency Dr Al-Issa for being the newly-elected Secretary General of Rabitah Al-Alam Al-Islami. He also praised Rabitah for its willingness to co-organize an International Conference on Peaceful Coexistence in Singapore that was initially approved by Dr Issa's predecessor, His Excellency, Prof Dr Abdullah bin Abdul Mohsen At-Turki.

During Dr Mohd Hasbi's visit to Jeddah city, he also took the opportunity to renew the bridge of *silaturrahim* with prominent individuals and *ahlul khair* who have had excellent relations with Jamiyah Singapore during the time of al-Marhum Tuan Haji Abu Bakar Maidin, Jamiyah's former President.

அமைதியின் ஊற்றுக்கண் அண்ணல் பெருமானார் நபி முஹம்மது (ஸல்)

அமைதியின் ஊற்றுக்கண்ணான அண்ணல் பெருமானார் நபி முஹம்மது (ஸல்) அவர்களைக் குறித்து இறைமறை குர் ஆன் அன்பியா என்னும் இயலில் குறிப்பிடுகையில் உலகம் அனைத்துக்கும் ஓர் அருட்கொடையாகவே அன்றி உம்மை நாம் அனுப்பவில்லை என்று குறிப்பிடுகிறது. மானுடம் தோன்றிய நாளிலிருந்தே அவர்களை நல்வழி காட்டிட இறைத்தூதர்களும், தீர்க்கதரிசிகளும் வந்துகொண்டிருந்தார்கள். இறைவேதம் குர் ஆன் அத்தகு மேலோர்களுள் இருபத்தாறு இறைத்தூதர்களை பெயர் குறிப்பிட்டு பதிவு செய்கிறது. இவர்களேயன்றி இன்னும் ஒரு லட்சத்து எண்பதினாயிரத்துக்கும் மேற்பட்ட மேலோர்கள் மானுடத்தை அல்வழி ஒறுத்து நல்வழி நடாத்திட ஒளிவிளக்குகளாக வந்து வழிகாடியுள்ளார்கள்.

அத்தகு மேலோர்களுக்கெல்லாம் தலைவராய் திகழ்பவர்தான் நபியவர்கள். எனவே தான் இறைமறை அவர்களை அகில உலகுக்கும் அருட்கொடை என்று கூறுகிறது. அவர்கள் வந்துதித்த அரபு மண்ணுக்கோ, வழிகாட்டிய முஸ்லிம்களுக்கோ, மன்பதைகளுக்கு மட்டுமோ மட்டும் அவர்கள் அருட்கொடையன்று. மானுடம், உயிர்கள், இயற்கை உள்ளிட்ட அகிலம் முழுமைக்குமே அவர்கள் அருட்கொடை என்று மிக நுட்பமாக மாமறை குர் ஆன் அண்ணல் நபிகளாரைப் பேசுகிறது.

பானுவின் சுதிரா லிடறும் காலம்
படர்தரு தருநிழ லெனலாய்
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குறைஷியர் திலதமே எனலாய்
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கெனலாய் முஹம்மது நபிபிறந் தனரே.



என்று மாறாப் புகழின் சீறாவில் உமறப்பா நபிகளின் பிறப்பைக் கொண்டாடுகிறார்.

இத்தகு பெருமையும் கீர்த்தியும் மிக்க பெருமானாரின் பிறந்தநாளைக் கொண்டாடுகின்ற நாம், குறிப்பாக நம் சிங்கைவாழ் தமிழ் முஸ்லிம் அன்பர்கள் சமய மற்றும் இன நல்லிணக்கம் குறித்த நம் பண்பாட்டுப் பாரபரியம் குறித்து நினைவுகூரக் கடமைப்பட்டுள்ளோம். இன்பத்தமிழெங்கள் மொழி இஸ்லாம் எங்கள் வழி என்று வாழ்பவர்கள் நாம். தமிழர் பண்பாட்டின் உயரிய விழுமியங்களை உள்வாங்கி இஸ்லாமியப்பாட்டையில் வாழ்வியல் முறைகளை வகுத்துக்கொண்டு வாழ்கிறோம்.

நல்லிணக்கம் தமிழர்களின் பண்பாட்டுப் பாரம்பரியம். யாதும் ஊரே யாவரும் கேளிர். என்று முழுங்கினான் புற நானூற்றுப் புலவன் கணியன் பூங்குன்றன். வேற்றுமையை வேரறுக்கும் இப்புதுமை வரிகள் ஈராயிரம் ஆண்டுகளுக்கு முன்பே சொல்லப்பட்ட தமிழர்தம் நல்லிணக்கப் பாரம்பரியத்தினை பறைசாற்றும் வரிகள். ஊர், நகர், நாடு மட்டும் தேச எல்லைகள் தாண்டி மானுடம் ஒருவர்பால் ஒருவர் நேசம் பேசும் உலகப் பொதுமைசார் தமிழர் கோட்பாட்டு முழுக்க வரிகள் இவை.

சிங்கப்பூரில் செயல்படும் தொண்டுநிறுவனங்களும் சமய/இன நல்லிணக்கம் பேணுவதில் செயற்கரிய செயலாற்றி வருகின்றன. ஜாமியா அறநிறுவனம், சிங்கப்பூர் பௌத்த சங்கம், இந்து அறக் கட்டளை வாரியம், கத்தோலிக்க கிறித்துவ பேராயம், சிங்கப்பூர் தாவோ சங்கம், இஸ்லாமிய சமய மன்றம் போன்றவைகளின் பணி சிங்கப்பூர் மற்றும் வட்டார நாடுகளிலெல்லாம் கவனத்தில் கொள்ளத்தக்க அரும்பணியாகக் காணப் படுகின்றன.

எனவே நாடும் வீடும் நலம்பெற நல்லிணக்கம் சமாதான சகவாழ்வினை வாழ் நெறியாகக் கடைபிடிபோம். இதுவே நபிகள் நாயக விழாவில் நாம் ஏந்திச் செல்கின்ற செய்தி என்பதைப் பதிவு செய்கின்றேன். நல்லிணக்கமே நம் வாழ்க்கை நெறி..

முனைவர். எச். முஹம்மது சலீம் துணைத்தலைவர், சிங்கப்பூர் ஜாமியா அற நிறுவனம்



Australia

The 10th annual ‘Australian Muslim Achievement Awards’ was held recently at the Grand Royal in Sydney. The event was hosted by Mission of Hope, in recognising the outstanding contributions made by Australian Muslim men, women, businesses and organisations towards the community. The event attracted some of Australia’s most creative and hard-working members of the community. The nominees, finalists and winners were selected through a strict criterion by twenty judges across Australia.

India

An historic mosque in India (Haji Ali Dargah Mosque) agreed to scrap a ban on women entering its inner sanctum, after a bitter legal battle about the restriction. The Trustees had appealed to the Supreme Court against a lower court’s decision in August to overturn the ban as a violation of constitutional rights of equality. But the Trust told the Supreme Court on Monday it would now admit women but needed several weeks to set up special entry areas to the tomb in the 15th-century building.

Italy

In the Italian Quran memorization competition organized by the Muslim World League, 11 year old Isaac Larco competed with 600 other participants and won the Top Prize for memorizing the whole Quran.

Saudi Arabia

Saudi Arabia’s top religious authority,

Grand Mufti Sheikh Abdulaziz Al-Sheikh, did not support the building of cinemas and the staging of singing concerts. Although these are already banned, his recent declaration is significant because of government efforts to introduce cultural reforms, as announced by Deputy Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman bin Abdulaziz last year in his ‘Vision 2030’ blueprint.

Uganda

A trial court in the capital Kampala, heard a forensic pathologist’s testimony about how two senior Muslim clerics (Hassan Ibrahim Kirya and Mustapha Bahiga) were killed in 2013 and 2015, stoking tensions in the Christian-majority country. Fourteen suspects are being tried in the case, which is expected to hear testimonies from over 46 witnesses.

United Kingdom

Merseyside football fan groups (Liverpool and Everton) have teamed up with England’s first ever mosque to help Liverpool’s Food Banks. The Abdullah Quilliam Mosque at Brougham Terrace on West Derby Road, Kensington, will become a food bank collection point for fans supporting food banks, after being approached for help by Everton Supporters’ Trust (EST) and Spirit of Shankly (SOS).

United States

In his farewell speech as US President, Obama criticized the politics of fear-mongering and openly rejected any form of discrimination, including against

Muslims. In a subsequent development, President Trump’s new immigration and refugee policies, which included a temporary ban on 7 Muslim-majority countries, have led to worldwide protests. After the ban was halted by a Panel of two Courts on constitutional grounds, the President was not satisfied and determined to fight on.

Uzbekistan

Prime Minister Shavkat Mirziyoyev, who took over as Acting President when long-serving leader, Islam Karimov died in September after 27 years in office, was recently elected President of Uzbekistan. Mirziyoyev, the Liberal Democratic Party leader, secured 88.61 percent of the votes in the election. More than 20 million Uzbeks were eligible to vote in the election, which was monitored by the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization.

Vatican

President Mahmud Abbas of the Palestinian Authority, met Pope Francis at the Vatican. This was made possible after the signing of an agreement to create a Palestinian embassy at the Vatican in 2015. The Vatican statement expressed the hope that “... direct negotiations between the parties may be resumed to bring an end to the violence that causes unacceptable suffering to civilian populations, and to find a just and lasting solution.”

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Khusus bagi edisi ini, kita memberi laporan terkini berkenaan pelbagai program dan kegiatan Jamiyah Singapura yang telah berlangsung dalam tempoh masa lebih kurang empat bulan yang lalu di samping memberi sorotan tentang apa yang telah disediakan buat anda.

Seperti dalam keluaran Suara Islam terdahulu, kita mulakan dengan tema asas- 'CoverStory' -yang menumpukan perhatian terhadap sesuatu topik tertentu. Berlatar-belakangkan keadaan yang tidak menentu akibat tindak-tanduk ekstremis yang berlarutan di merata dunia, kami mengambil keputusan untuk menyahut seruan bagi kita meningkatkan sifat ehsan dan murah hati di kalangan kita semua. Dengan adanya rasa prihatin, tentunya akan turut wujud sifat ingin berkongsi harapan dan aspirasi untuk melihat dunia yang lebih stabil bagi semua, tanpa melihat bangsa, agama dan kerakyatan. Maka buat edisi ini kita memuatkan rencana bagaimana dengan mewujudkan kedamaian, ianya dapat menyatu-padukan insan di samping dapat turut memahami sebab mengapa Islam melarang kemusnahan dalam apa saja reka bentuk. Dengan berbaik-baik dan berhati mulia, dunia insyaAllah akan menjadi tempat yang lebih selesa untuk didiami.

Oleh kerana tujuan majalah Suara Islam ini adalah untuk memberitahu para pembaca akan usaha Jamiyah selama ini dalam khidmatnya kepada masyarakat Islam khususnya dan rakyat Singapura amnya, maka bertepatanlah bagi kami untuk memberi sorotan kepada beberapa kegiatan dan acara yang telah kami jalankan atau lancarkan kebelakangan ini. Senarai kegiatan dan khidmat kami agak panjang, namun dengan menyenaraikan perkara-perkara

berikut ianya dapat memberi gambaran jelas akan bentuk serta bidang kegiatan yang telah dianjurkan.

Jabatan Pendekatan dan Pembangunan Masyarakat (CODD) telah memperolehi bangunan gudang 4-tingkat bagi menyimpan bahan makanan yang diterima di bawah inisiatif 'Food-Bank' dan juga telah bekerjasama dengan Pusat NTUC U-Care di bawah program 'Meningkatkan Peluang Bekerja'. Jabatan Dakwah kami pula telah melaksanakan skim 'Khatan Beramai-ramai' serta menganjurkan ceramah yang dihadiri ramai, yang dikelolakan oleh penceramah agama terkemuka Ustaz Kazim Elias. Kanak-kanak dan para remaja kami pula telah didedahkan kepada kegiatan baru dan menarik oleh Tadika Jamiyah dan Pusat Pendidikan Jamiyah (JEC). Rumah-rumah kebajikan Jamiyah pula bukan sahaja mencuba pendekatan baru dalam menarik sumbangan derma dari orangramai melalui inisiatif 'Sentuh Untuk Derma' ('Tap to donate') menerusi aplikasi talipon bimbit, tetapi salah satu kegiatannya juga telah berjaya disenaraikan dalam catatan 'Singapore Book of Records'.

Turut tidak ketinggalan adalah Jabatan Wanita dan Pembangunan Keluarga yang telah menganjurkan kegiatan gilang-gemilang, 'Meraikan kaum Ibu' dan 'Diva'. Kegiatan Diva tersebut menampilkan demonstrasi memasak kuih oleh cef terkenal, Siti Masturah. Jamiyah juga mengalu-alukan kakitangan yang baru masuk bekerja dengan kami, serta menonjolkan para pekerja yang telah lama berkhidmat dengan Jamiyah bertungkus-lumus untuk membawa Jamiyah ke tahap ia berada sekarang.

Oleh kerana misi Jamiyah Singapura adalah untuk menjalin dan

mengukuhkan hubungan-baik dengan rakan pendidikan dan institusi budaya luar negara, Presiden kami serta delegasi yang terdiri dari beberapa orang telah melawat Mesir dan Arab Saudi. Jamiyah juga telah menjadi tuan rumah Persidangan Antarabangsa yang bertemakan 'Agama dan Keamanan'. Anjuran bersama ISESCO, persidangan tersebut telah menarik penyertaan delegasi dari negara-negara di Asia Tenggara ke-Singapura untuk membentangkan dan berkongsi-sama sudut pandangan mereka bagaimana membina jambatan silaturahmi dengan masyarakat berbilang agama. Semasa persidangan tersebut yang telah dirasmikan oleh Menteri Pertahanan Dr Ng Eng Hen, inisiatif 'Duta Keamanan Muda Islam' (Muslim Young Ambassadors of Peace International (MYAPI) telah turut dilancarkan. Kami di Jamiyah telah juga memeterai 'Memorandum Persafahaman' (MOU) dengan badan induk anak-anak yatim Malaysia, PEYATIM. Tujuannya ialah untuk melihat akan kemungkinan bagi kedua pihak untuk bertukar-tukar pengalaman dan kepakaran di dalam bidang kepentingan bersama.

Akhirkata, menjadi semakin ketara bahawa kita hidup di dalam dunia yang pesat berubah. Untuk terus kekal relevan, semua dari kita, termasuk organisasi seperti Jamiyah, mesti juga melakarkan rancangan dan strategi mereka demi berdepan dengan cabaran ini. Justeru itu, para pemimpin Jamiyah telah mengadakan 'Perancangan Strategi' di Johor Bahru di mana semua Ketua Jabatan membentangkan laporan kelakonan kerja dan rancangan masadepan mereka. Perbincangan luar pejabat ini adalah kesempatan di mana idea-idea baru dibincangkan secara terus terang dan dikongsi sama, dengan satu tujuan khas, iaitu: " Bagaimana Jamiyah dapat berkhidmat dan

menyumbang dengan lebih berkesan dan cemerlang di masa-masa akan datang".

Menyentuh perihal masa hadapan, Jamiyah Singapura sedang di ambang menyambut ulangtahunnya yang ke-85. Mengambil sempena titik sejarah yang penting ini, kami telah menyusun senarai kegiatan dan peristiwa penting yang dialami Jamiyah sekian lama; ini tentunya akan membuat semua kakitangan Jamiyah sibuk sepanjang tahun.

Insya'Allah, dalam edisi Suara Islam (VOI) yang akan datang, kami berharap dapat menerbitkan sebuah edisi khas. Mungkin sudah tiba masanya untuk kita mengiktiraf dan memberi penghormatan kepada individu dan institusi yang telah membantu pertubuhan kami ini mencapai ke tahap yang dinikmati sekarang. Pada masa yang sama, harapan kami agar dapat terus memperelokkan lagi ruangan mukasurat VOI dengan berita dan gambar-gambar kegiatan mega yang bakal dianjurkan istimewa bagi meraikan ulangtahun ke-85 Jamiyah Singapura.

Selamat membaca!

ملخص الأحداث والأخبار التي يغطيها هذا الإصدار

نقوم في هذا الإصدار بتحديث قرائنا بالعديد من برامج جمعية الدعوة الإسلامية بسنغافورة وأنشطتها التي تم عقدها في الأشهر الأربعة الماضية إلى جانب تسليط الضوء عن مخططاتها في المستقبل.

تابعنا ما كان في الإصدار السالف، بدأنا قصة الغلاف بتركيز على موضوع معين وتكون هذه المرة مخالفا لخلفية إحساس عدم اليقين نتيجة الحوادث المتواصلة عن أعمال متطرفة في جميع أنحاء العالم، إذ قررنا ترديد دعوة للجميع لإظهار قدر أكبر من الرعاية والعطف نحو البعض بعضا. كما نعلم، بشعور أكبر من العناية، يترتب عليه تبادل أكبر من آمالنا وطموحاتنا لمشاهدة العالم أفضل للجميع بغض النظر عن العرق أو الدين أو الجنسية. ومن هنا، في هذا الإصدار، تجدون مقالات حول كيفية إيجاد السلام والذي يربط الناس بعضهم بعضا، ولماذا حرم الإسلام الإضرار من أي نوع ولماذا يمكن للعالم بقلوب كريمة أن يكون مكانا أفضل للجميع.

طالما هذه المجلة "صوت الإسلام" تهدف إلى إفادة القراء حول ما قامت جمعية الدعوة الإسلامية بسنغافورة في

خدمة المجتمع الإسلامي بشكل خاص والسنغافوريين بصفة عامة، فمن المناسب أن نسلط الضوء حول بعض الأحداث والأنشطة التي قمنا بها أو أطلقناها مؤخرا. وللعلم إن قائمة الخدمات والمساهمات طويلة ولكن التالي يمكن إعطائك "إحساسا" لأنواع واسعة من هذه الأنشطة.

تمكن قسم التواصل والتنموي الاجتماعي من تأمين مخزن يسمى عندنا "بنك الطعام" مكون من أربعة طوابق لتخزين المؤن وغيرها من مواد غذائية، كما تعاون هذا القسم مع مركز "أنت تهم" التابع لكونغرس الوطني للاتحاد التجاري في برنامج "تعزيز التوظيف". وقام قسم الدعوة بمشروعه السنوي "الختان الجماعي" وتنظيم "محاضرة دينية" ألقاها فضيلة الأستاذ كاظم إلياس. وكان أطفالنا وشبابنا معرضين بأنشطة جديدة مثيرة من قبل رياض الأطفال ومراكز التعليم والدور الخيرية التابعة للجمعية حيث جربوا نمحا جديدا كريما في جمع التبرعات من أهل الخير من خلال مبادرة "لمس الجوال من أجل تبرع" بل واحدة من أنشطتها جعلتها مسجلة في كتاب الرقم القياسي السنغافوري.

ولا ننسى القسم النسائي للجمعية والذي قام بعقد المناسبات الرائعة، بـ"احتفال الأمهات وديفا"، وشهد النشاط الأخير عرضا كيفية إعداد الخبز الذي قدمته الطباخة سيتي. ورحبت منظمنا أيضا الموظفين الجدد الذين انضموا معنا مؤخرا وأبرزت مساهمات الموظفين الذين قضوا فترات طويلة مشاركة في حمل الجمعية إلى ما هي عليها اليوم.

طالما مهمة الجمعية من ضمنها إقامة علاقات جيدة مع المؤسسات التعليمية والثقافية وتعزيزها مع المؤسسات التعليمية في الخارج، فقام رئيسنا مع وفد صغير من الجمعية بزيارة مصر والمملكة العربية السعودية إلى جانب أن الجمعية قامت بالتعاون مع المنظمة الإسلامية للتربية والعلوم والثقافة "إيسيسكو" بعقد مؤتمر دولي في سنغافورة حول موضوع "الدين والسلام" وشارك فيه وفود من دول جنوب شرق آسيا لعرض وتبادل وجهات نظرهم حول بناء جسور النوايا الحسنة مع جميع الطوائف الدينية. وخلال المؤتمر الذي افتتحه رسميا وزير الدفاع السنغافوري الدكتور نغ إينغ هين ومن خلاله تم إطلاق "سفراء شباب المسلمين من أجل

السلام العالمي". كما تم توقيع مذكرة التفاهم بين دار المأوى للجمعية مع هيئة الائتم الماليزية بهدف النظر في إمكانيات تبادل التجارب والخبرات بين المنظمين في مجالات المنفعة المتبادلة.

وأخيرا، يكون أكثر من الواضح، نعيش اليوم في عالم سريع التغيير. من أجل استمرار الحياة المناسبة، يجب على المنظمات رسم الخطط والاستراتيجيات لمواجهة هذا التغيير. إذ عقدت قيادة الجمعية لقاء التخطيط الاستراتيجي في جوهر

باهرو بماليزيا حيث قدم رؤساء الأقسام تقاريرهم المرحلية وخططهم المستقبلية. وكان اللقاء مناسبا جدا حيث إن الأفكار الصريحة تمت مشاركتها وتداولها بهدف واحد في الذهن: "كيف يمكن جمعية الدعوة الإسلامية بسنغافورة أن تقدم خدماتها بشكل أفضل في المستقبل" والحديث عن المستقبل، تدخل الجمعية الآن ٨٥ عاما من إنشائها. للاحتفال بهذا الحدث الكبير، قد قمنا بإعداد سلسلة من الأنشطة والفعاليات التي لا بد من أن تجعل كل

واحد منا في هذه المنظمة مشغولا طوال هذا العام. ونأمل -بمشيئة الله تعالى- أن ننشر الإصدار القادم من هذه المجلة إصدارا خاصا. ربما حان الوقت للاعتراف وتكريم الأفراد والمؤسسات التي ساعدوا على منظمنا في الوصول إلى هذا الحد، في حين نحاول تحميل صفحات مجلة "صوت الإسلام" بالأخبار والصور عن الأحداث الكبرى التي تم تنظيمها خاصة للاحتفال بالذكرى ٨٥ عاما من تأسيسها... قراءة سعيدة!

இவ்விதழில்

சென்ற இதழில் ஒரு குறிப்பிட்ட பொருளில் பல்வேறு செய்திகளைத் தந்திருந்தோம். இன்று உலகெங்கும் மனிதகுலம் சந்திக்கும் வன்முறை உள்ளிட்ட பல்வேறு நிகழ்வுகள் அன்பையும் பரிவையும் பரிமாறிக்கொள்வதின் தேவையையும் முக்கியத்துவத்தையும் முன் எப்போதும் இல்லாதவகையில் வலியுறுத்தும் கட்டாயத்திலிருக்கிறோம். இதன் தொடர்பில் இவ்விதழ் அன்பு , பரிவு மற்றும் ஒருவருக்கொருவர் இணைக்கங்காட்டுவது போன்ற மானிட உயர்வுக்கான பல்வேறு சிந்தனைகளையும் செயல்களையும் , தனிநபர் மற்றும் அமைப்புகள் சார்ந்து மேற்கொள்ளப்படும் நிகழ்வுகள் குறித்தும் , அவை எவ்வாறு நல்லிணக்கத்துக்கு வழிகோலுகின்றன என்பது குறித்த செய்திகளும் இவ்விதழில் இடம்பெறுகின்றன.

ஜாமியா அறநிறுவனத்தில் சென்ற சில மாதங்களாக நிறைவேற்றப்பட்ட பல்வேறு மக்கள் நலம் மற்றும் இஸ்லாமிய பண்பாடுசார்ந்த பல்வேறு செய்திகளின் தொகுப்பு இவ்விதழில் இடம்பெறுகிறது. நமது சிங்கை முஸ்லிம்கள் மட்டுமின்றி இவ்விதழைப் படிக்கும் பல்வேறு சமயம் மற்றும் இனம் சார்ந்த மக்களுக்கும் சென்றுசேரும் வகையில் இவ்விதழின் செய்திகள் தரப்பட்டுள்ளன.

குறைந்த வருவாய்க் குடும்பங்களின் மேம்பாடு ஜாமியாவின் நலப்பணித்துறையின் ஒரு முக்கிய செயல் திட்டமாக அண்மையில் நிறைவேற்றப்படுகிறது. இவ்வகையில் பொதுமக்களிடமிருந்து பெறப்படும் உலர்உணவுகள் மற்றும் அரிசி போன்ற உணவுப்பண்டங்களை பத்திரமாக வைத்திருந்து உரிய மக்களுக்கு விநியோகிக்கும் வகையில் ஜாமியா அண்மையில் ஒரு உணவுப் பொருள் சேமிப்புக்கு கிடங்கினை இதற்கென்று பராமரிக்கத் தொடங்கியுள்ள செய்தி, தேசிய தொழிற் சங்கக் குழுமத்தின் (NTUC - UCare) இணைந்து நடத்தியுள்ள வேலைத்திறன் மேம்பாட்டுப் பயிற்சி , ஏழைச் சிறுவர்களுக்கு முஸ்லீம் நலப்பணி அலுவலர் சங்கத்துடன் இணைந்து நடத்திய இலவச சுன்னத் நிகழ்வுகள். உஸ்தாத் காசிம் இலியாஸ் நிகழ்த்திய இஸ்லாமிய சமய பேருரை, ஜாமியாவின் மழலையர் பள்ளி சிறுவர்கள் கலந்துகொண்ட நன்கொடை திரட்டு நிகழ்ச்சிகள் உள்ளிட்ட கவனம் பெற்ற பல்வேறு செய்திகள் இவ்விதழில் தரப்பட்டுள்ளன.

ஜாமியாவின் மகளிர் மற்றும் குடும்ப மேம்பாட்டுத்துறை சார்பில் நடைபெற்ற ஒப்பற்ற அன்னை விருது நிகழ்ச்சி , சமையற்கலை நிபுணர் செஃப் சித்தி வழிகாட்டிய இனிப்பு அப்பம் தயாரிப்பது குறித்த மகளிருக்கான சிறப்பு வகுப்பு நிகழ்ச்சி போன்ற செய்திகளையும் இவ்விதழ் ஏந்தி வருகிறது.

இஸெஸ்கோ (ISESCO) என்னும் பன்னாட்டு முஸ்லீம் கல்வி , அறிவியல் மற்றும் பண்பாட்டு நிறுவனத்துடன் இணைந்து ஜாமியா நடத்திய இரண்டுநாள் பன்னாட்டுக் கருத்தரங்கு பற்றிய விரிவான செய்திகளும், நமது பாதுகாப்பு அமைச்சர் டாக்டர் இங் எங் ஹென் சிறப்பு விருந்தினராகக் கலந்து கொண்ட இந்த தென் கிழக்காசிய மற்றும் உள்ளூர் பேராளர்கள் கலந்து கொண்ட இம்மாநாட்டில் நியமனம் பெற்ற முஸ்லீம் பன்னாட்டு அமைதித் தூதர்கள் பற்றிய செய்திகளும் இதழில் இடம்பெறுகிறது.

ஜாமியா 85- ஆம் அகவையில் இவ்வாண்டு நடைபோடுகிறது. மலேசியாவின் ஜோஹர் பாருவில் சென்ற டிசம்பரில் நடைபெற்ற ஜாமியா துறைத்தலைவர்களின் மூன்றுநாள் திட்டமிடல் ஒன்றுகூடலில் பல்வேறு சிந்தனைகளும் ஆக்கபூர்வமான செயல் திட்டங்களும் அவரவர் துறைகளில் எவ்வாறு இவ்வாண்டு செயல்படுத்தப் படவிருக்கின்றன என்பது பற்றி விரிவாகவும் விளக்கமாகவும் விவாதிக்கப்பட்டன. சிறப்பாகச் செயல்பட்டுக்கொண்டிருக்கும் ஜாமியா நிறுவனம் இன்னும் செம்மையாக எவ்வாறு இவ்வாண்டும் தொடர்ந்தும் செயல் படமுடியும் என்னும் சிந்தனைகள் இவ்வொன்றுகூடலில் பகிர்ந்துகொள்ளப்பட்டன . அடுத்த இதழ் ஜாமியாவின் 85-ஆம் ஆண்டு சிறப்பு நிகழ்வுகளை ஏந்திவரும் இதழாக வரவிருக்கிறது.

• 本期内所涵盖的事件/新闻摘要

在这个特别的问题，我们更新我们的读者与在过去四个月左右发生的 Jamiyah 新加坡的众多计划和活动，同时也突出了在前面存储。

和我们上一期一样，我们从封面故事开始，重点是一个特定的主题。这一次，在世界各地极端主义行为持续存在的不确定性的背景下，我们决定回应呼吁所有人相互更加关心和仁慈的呼吁。我们知道，以更大的关怀感，更大的分享 - 我们的希望和愿望，为所有人找到一个更美好的世界，不论种族，宗教或国籍。因此，在本期中，我们包括了关于如何使和平将人们联系在一起的文章，为什么伊斯兰教禁止任何形式的伤害，为什么用仁慈的心，世界可以成为一个更美好的地方。

由于这本 VOI 杂志的目的是告知读者新加坡一直在为穆斯林社区和整个新加坡人服务，所以我们强调我们最近举办或发起的一些活动和活动是恰当的。我们的服务和贡献的列表很长，但以下可以让你“感觉”这些活动的类型和范围。

我们的社区外展和发展部 (CODD) 设法获得一个四层仓库，以存储我们最近发起的“食物银行”，并与职总协会的“增强就业能力”计划合作。我们的达华部门每年举办“大规模割礼”计划，并组织了一场由受欢迎的宗教学者乌斯塔齐·卡齐姆·埃利亚斯组织的讲座。我们的孩子和青少年接受了 Jamiyah Kindergarten 和 Jamiyah 教育中心的新的和令人兴奋的活动，和 Jamiyah 的家园不仅尝试了一种新的和崇高的方式通过其“Tap to 捐赠”手机计划征求公众捐款，但其活动之一也使它到新加坡记录。

不容错过的是 Jamiyah 的妇女部，举办了盛大的庆祝活动，“庆祝母亲”和“Diva”，后者的活动看到了 Siti 厨师的烘焙演示。我们的组织还欢迎最近加入我们的新工作人员，并介绍了长期服务的工作人员的贡献，他们为了使 Jamiyah 成为今天而付出了很多努力。

由于 Jamiyah 新加坡的使命是建立和加强与海外教育和文化机构的良好关系，我们的总统和一个小代表团访问埃及和沙特阿拉伯，我们的组织主办了一个关于宗教与和平主题的国际会议。该会议由伊斯兰教科文组织共同举办，会议使所有东南亚国家的代表来到新加坡，介绍和分享他们与所有宗教社区建立友好桥梁的观点。在由国防部长恩格恩博士主持的会议期间，“国际

和平穆斯林青年大使” (MYAPI) 也启动了。离家越近，我们与马来西亚孤儿院 (PEYATIM) 的伞体签署了一份谅解备忘录，旨在了解我们两个协会在互利领域交流经验和专长的可能性。

最后，很明显，今天我们生活在一个快速变化的世界。为了继续保持相关性，组织还必须制定计划和战略来应对这一变化。因此，Jamiyah 的领导人在新山举行了战略规划撤退，所有部门主管都提交了他们的进度报告和未来计划。休假是一个机会，坦率的想法是分享和审议与一个奇异的目标：“Jamiyah 新加坡如何服务和贡献更好的未来？”谈到未来，Jamiyah 新加坡现在进入其存在的第 85 年。为了纪念这个重要的里程碑，我们安排了一系列的活动和活动，这将有助于使我们在这个组织中的所有人忙今年。InsyaAllah，在本杂志的下一期，我们希望出版一个特别的 VOI 版本。也许，现在是时候承认和荣誉的个人和机构，帮助我们的组织达到这一点，同时也提供了 VOI 页面的新闻和图片的一些大型活动特别举办庆祝我们的 85 周年。到那时，快乐的阅读！

"Sebenarnya yang menaruh bimbang dan takut (melanggar perintah) Allah dari kalangan hamba-hambanya hanyalah orang-orang yang berilmu." 35:28



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