Imams play a pivotal role in caring for the spiritual health of Believers and their families. This discussion will serve as a space in which Imams can openly reflect on their experiences as community leaders.

ATTENDEES

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Elizabeth, NJ

Tahir Abdullah, Community of Uthman dan Fodio in America
Chicago, IL

Muhammad Abdul-Aleem, Masjidullah
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Shamsuddin Abdul-Hakim, Masjid Rahman
Rochester, NY

Daud Abdul-Haqq, NIA Masjid & Community Center
Newark, NJ

Kashif Abdul-Karim, Muhammad Islamic Center of Greater Hartford
Hartford, CT

Hanafi Abdul-Malik, The Muslim House
Flint, MI

Musa Abdur-Rahman, Masjid As-Saffat
Baltimore, MD

Asim Abdur-Rashid, Masjid Mujahideen
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Talib Abdur-Rashid, Mosque of Islamic Brotherhood
Harlem, NY

Nadim Ali, Community Masjid of Atlanta
Atlanta, GA

Qareeb Bashir, Islamic Center of Ewing
Ewing, NJ

Tariq El-Amin, Masjid At-Taqwa
Chicago, IL

Khalid Griggs, Wake Forest University
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Sulaimaan Hamed, Atlanta Masjid of Al-Islam
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Mohamed Hussein, Masjid Hikmah
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IMAM ROUNDTABLE

CONFERENCE PRE-READING
Leading with Compassion: Anchoring Leadership Practices in Prophetic Tradition

Dear Imams,

On behalf of the Muslim Wellness Foundation, we want to thank you once again for agreeing to attend our 3rd Annual Black Muslim Psychology Conference and to participate in the Imam Roundtable discussion on Saturday, July 22, 2017. The service and leadership that our Imams provide to our communities is invaluable, and we want to do our part to provide space and support for the individuals who serve our communities in this capacity.

In many ways, this particular gathering is fairly unique: the Black Muslim Psychology Conference is the only national conference in the U.S. which centers the voices and experiences of Black Muslims--featuring the expertise of some of the best and brightest scholars, professionals, and experts in our community. Additionally, the Imam Roundtable will, insha'Allah, gather spiritual leaders of Black Muslim institutions from across the country in a space where they will have the opportunity to dialogue with one another as well as with an audience composed of the population that they serve. Above all, we have conceived the Roundtable as a space for meaningful dialogue and professional development, and we need your assistance to maximize the benefit of this forum for both participants and attendees.

To this end, we are providing a short reading assignment that we are asking you to complete in advance of the Roundtable discussion. It consists of the first two chapters of the book, Leading with Compassion: Anchoring Leadership Practices in the Prophetic Tradition by Louay M. Safi. The material in the chapters will provide a basis and overall framework for the discussion we will engage in at the conference insha’Allah and your familiarity with the material will help to facilitate deeper and more meaningful conversations. You may access the pre-conference reading at this link: http://bit.ly/2sauzbK

Our primary goal for the Roundtable is meaningful and substantially interactive conversation between the participants and the listening audience--a safe, productive space where we can listen and learn from the perspectives of everyone present, and in turn, grow stronger together. To facilitate this, the session will be moderated by a discussant(s)--who will direct the flow of the conversation throughout to ensure that we incorporate as many voices possible from amongst those who are in attendance. We are delighted and blessed beyond measure to have so many of our community’s leaders joining us for this gathering, and it is our hope to be sure that we are making room for all voices to be heard.

If you have any questions about the Roundtable, or other conference related matter, please do not hesitate to reach out: info@blackmuslimpsychology.org.

May Allah reward you immensely for your service to the community!
MaSalaam,
Kameelah Rashad

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