



June 1, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As-Salaamu 'alaykum wa Rahmatullaahi wa Barakaatuhu. We pray that this letter finds you and your families in good health. Ameen.

It is our pleasure to announce some team additions and responsibility changes.

In the Community Engagement Department, Sr. Fiza Valiulla will be starting on a full-time basis as our Program Manager, with special emphasis on Youth Programs, effective June 19, 2025. She graduated from UCLA and was the president of Manara West (formerly MSA West). With this addition, Sr. Rania Khaja will occupy the position of Social Media Manager. Both will report directly to Br. Omar Ezzeldine.

In the Counseling Department, congratulations to Br. Firas Bdaiwi who completed his clinical hours. In addition, Sr. Salema Gadd and Br Mounir Hilmi with their master's in clinical psychology from Pepperdine University, are now licensed associates under the supervision of Sr. Hanan Elshennawy. Lastly, Dr. Hanan Hemada will be assisting us in spiritual counseling starting June 1st, under the supervision of Sr. Hanan Elshennawy.

In the Religious area, Sh. Atef has been graciously doing two jobs for over two years – as the Director of Education supervising Rahma Academy and as the acting Religious Director while we searched for a qualified individual. After an extensive search that has yielded little fruit, and significant internal discussion, we have decided to eliminate the Religious Director position. Sh. Atef will now be our Religious Scholar, a deserving title, and will be responsible for all religious programming, including Khutbas, Quran Institute, spiritual classes, and other items that may fall under his purview of providing overall religious guidance/leadership for the Center. Sister Mubashera, the head of Rahma Academy has demonstrated great leadership in evolving the academy from Level 1 to adding Level 2 for the next academic year. Moving forward she will be reporting directly to our President to allow continued attention and support for this important growth pillar of our Center. Sh. Atef will serve on the Advisory Board for Rahma Academy to ensure continued alignment with our core principles and values.

Lastly, Br. Mohy has been leading the CAP program for over a decade at ICOI and since inception at Rahma Center. With the increased load, Br. Anees Hakim from the local Rahma Center community has joined to help him with the Rahma Center aspects of the program.

We are excited to share these evolutionary steps with you, as our three-year-old center continues to mature and grow. We pray that Allah SWT puts Barakah in these changes and enables them to enhance our offerings to the community. We also pray that Allah (SWT) guides all of us and makes our center a source of Rahma (mercy and compassion) for everyone. Ameen. These changes are also depicted in the attached organization chart.

Wa 'alaykumus-Salaam wa Rahmatullaahi wa Barakaatuhu,

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