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## First Family Day in Dallas, TX Majlis

*(Kamran Mirza, Dallas, TX Majlis)*



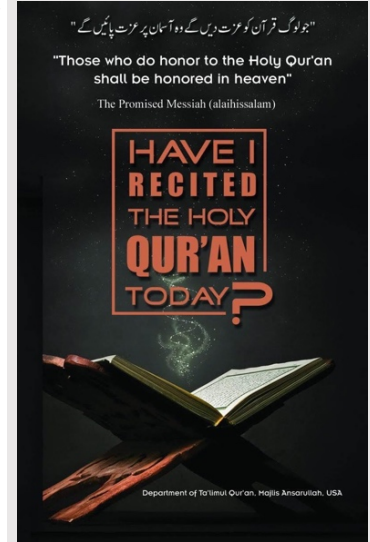
Last year in the Ansar Shura, a proposal was presented that there should be an event in every Jamat in the USA in which Ansar and their families will get together and spend a few hours with each other. It could be held at a mosque, park or any other place, the purpose of this meetup is to bring families closer. The idea was to include multiple interactive sessions with some games

and food. That will allow a better bonding between father, mother and their kids. In May, 2022 Dallas Jama'at conducted the very first family day hosted by Ansar brothers. This session was held on a Saturday evening to make sure that most people would be able to attend. A large majority of Ansar brought their children along with their spouses and daughters. 198 members attended the program. The program consisted of three interactive sessions plus games followed by refreshments.

The three interactive sessions included a father and son communicating with each other on certain issues. These topics and discussion points were provided by the Ansar leadership. The fun part was that the Nasir/father was playing the role of the son and the son/Khadim was playing the role of Nasir/father. This little twist enabled both individuals to understand the point of view of the other party and solve the problem from their standings. The topics chosen were to;

- Discuss about usage of mobile phone all the time
- Discuss about Christmas Tree, its symbolism and how it effects on our children
- Discuss about the importance waking up for Fajr

Daud Khan with his son Maulood Khan, Riyaz Ahmad with his son Aiden Ahmad and Kamran Mirza with his son Rayan Mirza were the participants to conduct the above roles and discussion. All 3 sets were able to discuss the core issues and did their best to come up with solutions for the topic at hand. After each set went over the given script and discussion points, the floor was



open for questions and comments. The whole hall was delighted to be part of the discussion and it was great to see multiple Khuddam and Ansar discussing the topic. Overall it was a very fun, interactive and successful activity.

Later on, everyone was invited to play the game of Tobaa and multiple teams of five participants were formed. Everyone who participated was taught how to play the game and its rules. This activity again brought Ansar and their children together and everyone enjoyed playing the game. After these activities, refreshments were served and every participant of the event got to hang around with their families and friends.

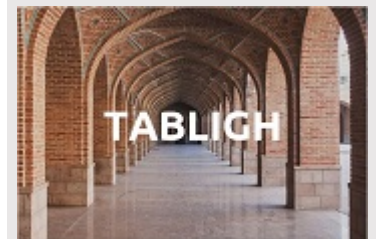
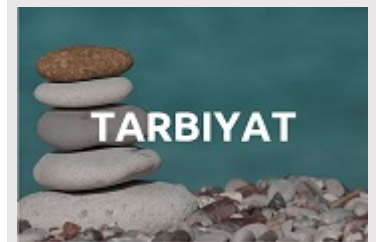
All in all, this was a successful event and fulfilled its purpose of bringing all closer to each other. May Allah bless us with his mercy and allow us to raise our children with true teachings of Islam.

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### **A spiritually uplifting day of fun – Family Day in Queens, NY**

*(Zaman Mohammad, Zaim Queens, NY Majlis)*



It was Queens' Majlis Ansarullah's honor to hold its first ever Family Day gathering on Saturday, May 7th 2022. It was well planned and prepared, however due to the fact that it rained all day, the outcome wasn't as expected.

Alhamdulillah, it wasn't bad at all, we were expecting around 250 attendees, and despite a rainy day we ended up with 163. There were 43 Ansar, 50 Lajna, 25 Khuddam, 20 Atfal and 25 Nasirat.

The day was decorated with a variety of activities and games, but we had to omit all outdoor games due to the rain, and had indoor games instead. The day started with recitation of the Holy Quran, which was followed by a



melodious Nazm. As recommended, there were no speeches, and we jumped right into father and son scenarios and role playing which was interesting. We asked one Nasir and one Khadim to moderate the event and same for the participants. At the end of each scenario, the moderators took questions from the audience. Everyone enjoyed it, however, I thought it could have been designed a little differently, because most of us are not good at acting.

Then we played musical chairs and that was the highlight of the day. We had 3 groups (Ansar/Khuddam/Atfal), same for Lajna as well. We recognized the winners with medals. Then we played another game of religious knowledge called Tobaa, which everyone enjoyed. Lastly, Murabbi Kauser Mahmood sahib added another game called "guessing game" that was fun too.



All together it was a fun day, and at the same time educational. Most importantly we had family time together, which we were missing for a long time. This was a unique event where every member of the family participated. The food was excellent; we served pizza, burgers, BBQ chicken, Chapli kabab, salad, fruits, tea

so on. We received a lot of positive feedback from Khuddam and Lajna. Members of Jama'at were very supportive and with their help and cooperation we had a very successful event. At the end, I would like to say Jazakumullah khair to Majlis Ansarullah USA for this great initiative. Can't wait for next year!

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