

Didsbury Friday Circle

Session Log of the Sixteenth Session
2nd September, 2016



In Attendance:

Organisers:

Faizan Awan
Ibrahim Arosi

Attendees:

Mohammad Hassan
Mohammad Ali
Suleman
Ibrahim
Iman
Omar
Ahmad
Saifullah
Faaris
Bilal

Venue:

Main Hall
Didsbury Mosque
271 Burton Road
M20 2WA

Timings:

Start 7:00 PM
Maghrib 8:00 PM
Finish 9:00 PM

Brief Report of Session

We were in the main hall today. Our session today was about taharah or purity as advised by the Prophet SAW. It was a sensitive topic and we approached it with due care, ensuring that we used terms that the boys would be comfortable with and not straying from the basic generally accepted guidance. We discussed specific areas of purity for example when boys are born, the process, religious reasons for and medical benefits of circumcision. We then covered the biological processes involved in urination and defecation and how these impurities can be cleansed, why it should be cleansed and the issues of how to cleanse in situations where routine cleansing materials are not available. We then covered the occurrence of puberty and how a boy is recognised as a man once he has passed through puberty. The responsibilities of trimming or shaving oneself of pubic hair were discussed and how this benefits hygienically. We discussed how the mouth should be cleansed and why brushing is beneficial.

We opened the session up for questions and answers, and as usual, there were some very interesting questions, particularly around whether it was important to follow a sunnah exactly (for example if the Prophet (SAW) used a miswak, is there more reward to use that or a toothbrush). We explained that modern implements can still be used and the intention should always be to please Allah (SWT) by complying with the example of His Prophet (SAW). We also had questions about the specific aspects of some of the hygiene processes.

After a dinner of pizza, we did some role-plays about how to give advice to someone appropriately if they have poor hygiene. We used the examples provided by Hassan and Hussein (RA) when they advised the man who was

doing wudhu incorrectly and also The Prophet (SAW) when a Bedouin man urinated in the masjid.

We played cops and robbers and then closed the session.

Incidents or Accidents

None

Next Session

Friday, 16th September, 2016

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "F.A. Awan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'F' and 'A'.

Dr. Faizan Awan **Dated:** Sunday 4th September, 2016