

About Me: As Salaamu Alaykum

My name is Saleem Shaikh. I have been in the Plano area for the past 18 years Alhamdulillah. My wife and I have 3 beautiful children who have spent their childhood years in this community and their masajids. My older two are a Freshman and Sophomore at UTD and my youngest is a junior in HS. I have been in the IT profession for the last 25 years. I currently work on leading initiatives in the implementation of AI, Machine Learning and Agentic AI ecosystem.

My Strengths: Personal character wise my biggest strengths are that I believe in doing everything with excellence-Ihsan for the sake of Allah.I have strong faith, integrity, and a genuine commitment to ICQCs mission. I work well with others and promote unity by listening well, expressing ideas clearly, and resolving conflicts respectfully.

Experience: I have been an integral part of many Islamic communities for over two decades. By the grace of Allah SWT, I have been able to contribute to their growth and development through various opportunities and initiatives.

MCA Bay Area California: Dawah and Outreach committee

IACC - Dawah and Outreach committee

ICF- Boy Scouts Adult Volunteer Leader

Dawah Outreach in Collin County locations

My Vision

Success here in Dunya and Akhirah is centered around a muslim's relationship with Allah. This journey here in this dunya is about building that relationship with Allah and the community's

role is helping each community member get closer to Allah in the model and framework shown by His beloved our Prophet Mohammed (Sallahu Alayhi sallim).

My Prompt Action Plan:

To enable and facilitate a **harmonious environment** where every community member feels welcomed, valued, and inspired to participate in this shared spiritual mission. Some of the activities I am planning to undertake but not limited to is **Weekend Workshops** with **visiting scholars**, **Dawah Workshops** for youth and Adults, **Financial Literacy and Financial Independence and Investment themes workshops** and other such activities that improve larger community engagement and participation. With Allah's help, as our community strengthens its connection to Him, it will naturally become easier to **build** and **expand infrastructure of the masjid and the campus**.

My Delayed Action Plan:

To transform our masjid into a **center of learning and spiritual growth** by inviting esteemed scholars to visit and share their wisdom and guidance. I aim to inspire our youth to develop a deep love for learning — to embrace the beautiful tradition of sitting with scholars and gaining knowledge directly from them. My heartfelt **du'a** is that, one day, we establish a **university of Islamic learning** here in the quad cities of Collin County — encompassing Plano, Frisco, Allen, and McKinney — that rivals the excellence of **Al-Azhar University**, Insha'Allah.