



Dear brothers and sisters:

As-Salaamu 'Alaikum wa-Rahmatullahi wa Barakaatuh:

On behalf of the Afghan American Muslim Outreach (AAMO) Board of Directors and Advisers, it is with great honor and pleasure that I invite you and your family to AAMO's second major conference in Southern California on Sunday, August 24, 2008 at the Sheraton Hotel in Garden Grove, CA. The theme of this educational conference is "**Living Islam in the West**". For the program flyer and more information, please visit our website www.aamo-net.org and for ordering your tickets, please see the end of this email.

" To Allah belong the East and the West; and wherever you turn, there is the Face of Allah. For Allah is All- Embracing, All- Knowing" (2:115).

Living Islam in the west is full of challenges and confrontations (education, social problems, marriage, political activism, and many more) and without proper knowledge and awareness; we may face many risks such as losing our family bond, losing our Islamic and cultural values, and most importantly losing our identity as a Muslim. The stereotypical negative image of Islam through media that has affected all of us made our task even harder and requires more collective efforts on the part of all Muslims.

How can we transform these challenges into opportunities; how to seize chances to convey the message of Islam to others; how to clarify any misunderstanding about Islam & promote a true understanding of Islam and Muslims is the main goal of this conference. Insha Allah, in this conference most of the aforementioned subjects, and the challenges we and our youth are facing will be addressed in both languages, Dari and English in order to cater to our youth as well.

We believe that if we understand and practice Islam comprehensively, we can offer the west with many useful moral values and the best way to draw others towards Islam is to be the embodiments of Islam ourselves. Insha Allah, the positive result of the conference will enhance the awareness and knowledge; raise the morale of our brothers and sisters, especially our youth.

This conference is an opportunity to empower ourselves and our children with the solutions and alternatives to the challenges we are facing and increase our knowledge by listening to the well known and respected scholars such as Ustad Mohammad Sediq Rashid Suljuki, who is the author of many Islamic books and Qur'an interpretations (Tafaseer); Dr. Abdul Sattar Sirat, Ustad Fazl Ghani Mogadeddi, Dr. Fakhrnisa Yousofzai, Shaikh Aladin Al-Bakri, Dr. Imad Bayoun, Dr. Ahmad Soboh; Sr. Muslema Purmuland Br. Jamaal Diwan. You will also have a chance to hear and talk directly with the two hostesses of the most famous weekly Ariana Afghanistan TV shows, Sadaye-Haq (Sr. Simin Omar) and Dariche Farda (Sr. Marwa Latif).

Please join us, and don't miss out on this great event! I wish for you to share the reward of disseminating Islamic knowledge by taking it upon yourself to call and encourage your loved ones, friends and others to attend this important conference. Please act fast for purchasing your tickets, because we have limited space and AAMO's last conferences are soled out two weeks prior to the event.

Jazakullahu Khairun
Masoud Nassimi

AAMO President