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## Farewelling Ramadan

﴿ وَالْعَصْرَ إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لَفِي خُسْرٍ إِلَّا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ  
وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالصَّبْرِ ﴾  
قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ  
« خَيْرُ الدُّعَاءِ دُعَاءُ يَوْمِ عَرَفَةَ »

### Dear Brothers and Sisters!

Praise be to Allah, while we are happy to have spent Ramadan, we are experiencing the bitter sadness of leaving it behind as we approach the end. The month of Ramadan has rebuilt us with its arrival. It reminded us of the values we forgot. Ramadan had reminded us about mercy, sharing, forgiveness, redemption, and the ways of salvation. Ramadan reunited believers, whose relationship with the Qur'an had weakened. With the tarawih prayer, which is the resurrection of the nights of Ramadan, which is a means of purification from sins, the state of being with Allah (swt) at all times and the consciousness of ascension were regained.

### Dear Brothers and Sisters!

Ramadan is the month of remembering what we have forgotten, repairing what we have broken, and asking forgiveness for those we have hurt. It reminds us of respect for the elders, love for the little ones and that the homeless are not alone. It reminds those who lost themselves in the busy world, in the hustle and bustle of work. It emphasises that life is temporary and calls out that the good and eternal is the life of the hereafter. It enables a person to face himself and to take themselves into account. With zakat and fitra, we cleanse our wealth from haram and our hearts from stinginess and greed for hoarding. These last days of Ramadan, are days of i'tikaf, where we will increase worship and dhikr.

### Dear Brothers and Sisters!

Allah (swt) mentions in the Quran; **“By time, Indeed, mankind is in loss, Except for those who have believed and done righteous deeds and advised each other to truth and advised each other to patience.”**<sup>1</sup>. The Islamic belief that dominates our hearts is reflected in life through good deeds to be committed.

Good deeds include all the good deeds done for the benefit of people and worshipping Allah (swt).

Therefore, the best appearance of Islam is our kind behavior towards people and beneficial actions towards society. Rasulullah (saw) said, **“The best of people are those that bring most benefit to the rest of mankind.”**<sup>2</sup>. With the blessings of Ramadan, we should make all the goodness we do as daily habits.

### Dear Jama'ah!

I pray we will reach the Eid next Monday and let's definitely make use of the day of Arafah. Rasulullah (saw) said; **“The best of prayers is the one made on the day of Arafah.”**<sup>3</sup>. Let's pray for ourselves, our family, Muslims and all humanity. Let's visit the graves of the dead. Let's call our relatives and friends during Eid. Let's not forget the charities of fitr. And let us give our zakat, which will purify our wealth.

### Dear Brothers and Sisters!

Let's not forget the difficulties faced by all our oppressed and aggrieved brothers and sisters in Jerusalem, Arakan, East Turkestan and in different parts of the Muslim geography. Rasulullah (saw) said, **“You see the believers as regards their being merciful among themselves and showing love among themselves and being kind, resembling one body, so that, if any part of the body is not well then the whole body shares the sleeplessness (insomnia) and fever with it.”**<sup>4</sup> Let's not miss them in our prayers.

We congratulate you on Eid al-Fitr in advance, and we pray to Allah (swt) that the oppressed on earth will be able to taste the best of Eids.

Ameen!

<sup>1</sup> Surah Asr, 103:1-3

<sup>2</sup> Buhârî, Mağâzî, 35

<sup>3</sup> Tirmizî, Deavât, 122

<sup>4</sup> Buhârî, Edeb, 27; Müslim, Birr, 66