

Tarbiyyat Camp for Lajna Ages 15-25 Held on Dec, 22 by Lajna Dallas.

On December 22, 2012, Lajna Ima'illah, Dallas chapter, held a tarbiyyat camp at Baitul Ikraam Mosque. During the camp, a special session for Lajna, ages 15-25, was held, and a total of 9 Lajna attended. Muavina Sadr Lajna 15 – 25 organized all activities specifically for this age group in advance with the approval of and guidance from Sadr Lajna Dallas. The program started with an introduction and an ice-breaking activity to give the Lajna a chance to get to know each other. Next, a group discussion occurred, and the main focus was "Finding Time for Jama'at Work." The Lajna paired up into partners to discuss questions such as "What are some reasons that we do not attend the meetings and events at the mosque, and how can we improve our attendance?" and "Why is it important to stay connected to the Jama'at?" Volunteer activities like writing articles for Media-Watch or Isha'at (Publications) and organizing a blood drive for the Muslims for Life Campaign were discussed in detail. In addition, Secretary Khidmat-e-Khalq Dallas provided information about the current volunteer projects that Lajna Dallas is doing.

After the group discussion and a short break, a presentation was made on the topic of "Exploring Career Opportunities and Choosing a Meaningful One." Working Lajna members from Dallas talked about their careers in medicine, nursing, banking, and teaching. After the presentation, a play was performed by 3 Lajna, ages 15-25, entitled "The Other Jummah." The subject matter of the play was the propagation of Ahmadiyyat, the true Islam, to non-Ahmadi Muslims who are born and raised in the United States and have never heard of Ahmadiyyat. The play featured a narrator, who introduced the topic, and 2 friends, an Ahmadi Muslim and a non-Ahmadi Muslim, who are having a conversation over lunch at college. Lastly, the Lajna, ages 15-25, joined the rest of the Lajna members to listen to a presentation, "There Is No Compulsion in Religion," and a speech, "Raising Children to Love Allah." The Lajna also enjoyed a presentation on "Decorating a Child's Room (All Ages)" by Secretary Sanat Wa Dastakari. The camp concluded with games and dinner.