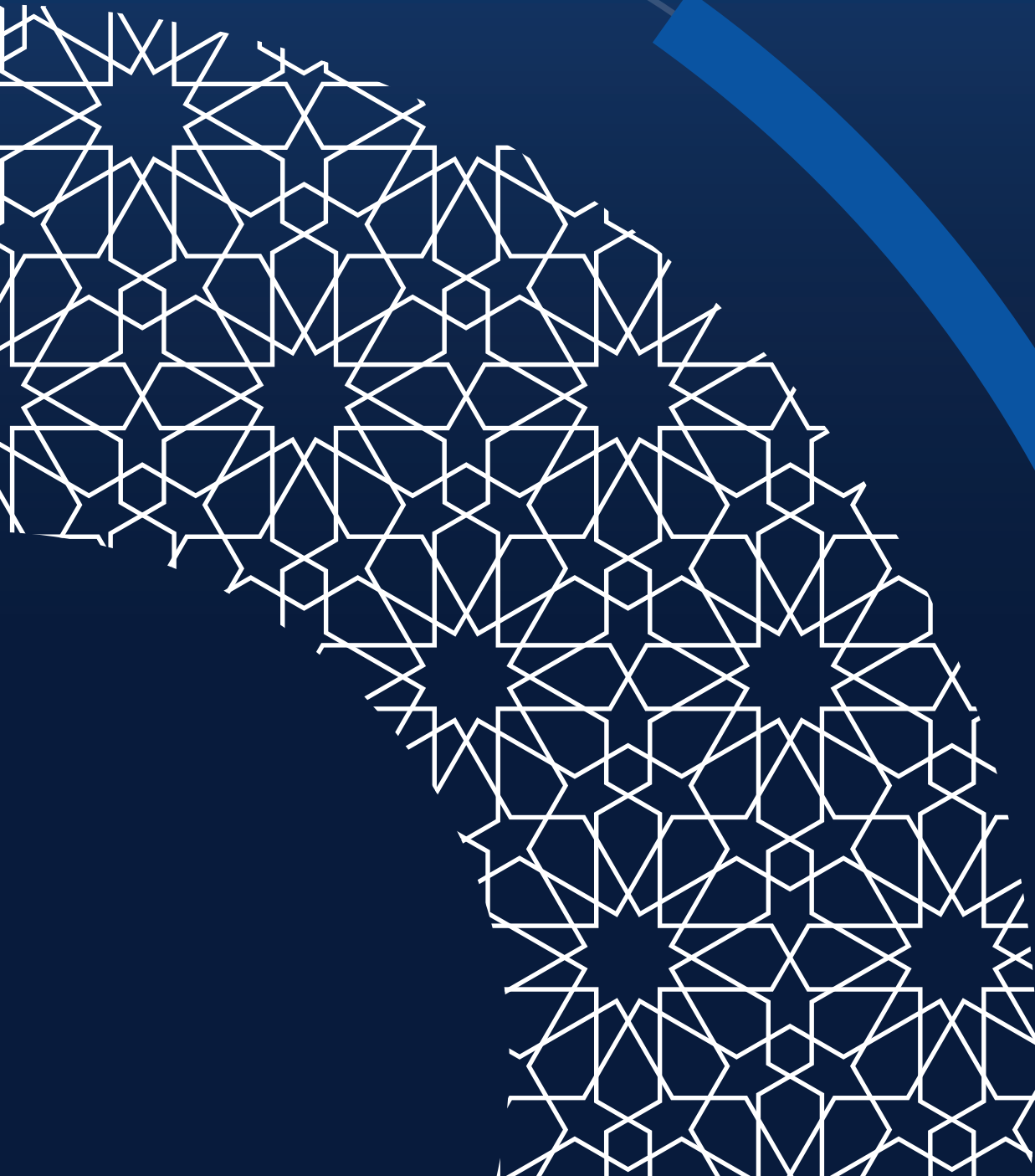
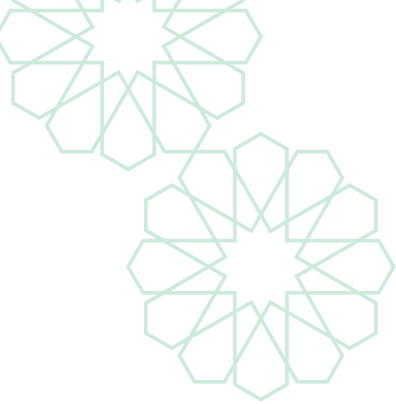




MCAS
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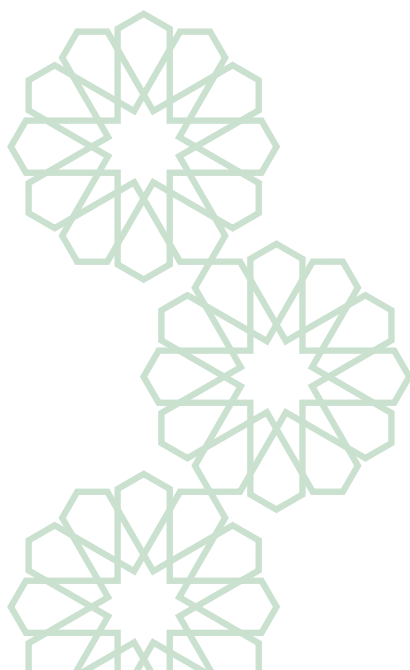
Congratulations to the Association on its 40th Anniversary since its registration in 1980. This is a proud moment for the Association in the membership that we have continued to function over the last 40 years.

MUSLIM CONVERTS' ASSOCIATION OF SINGAPORE

Muslim Converts' Association of Singapore (MCAS) is a registered charitable organisation dedicated towards public education, social welfare and religious enhancement of the community. The cross-cultural fabric of our members and community indeed represents the essence of harmonious living in a multi-racial country that transcends global boundaries.

OUR OBJECTIVES

- To provide religious guidance and render assistance to members
- To organise religious, literary, and/or recreational activities and to publish Islamic articles and/or literature
- To participate and provide welfare services for the community, and
- To represent the interests of all Muslim Converts residing in Singapore





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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Muhammad Imran Kuna Abdullah

President, MCAS

Muslim Converts' Association of Singapore

[Darul Arqam Singapore]

“...UNITY IS THE
BACKBONE
OF ONE'S
SUCCESS.”



Assalaamu'alaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh

In the name of Allah, the Most Beneficent,
the Most Merciful.



The Year 2019 had been a significant year in terms of MCAS' initiatives and accomplishments in which we took major steps to move the Association forward to new heights. Council members, staff, volunteers, parents, students, alumni and friends of MCAS had all found ways to contribute in their own meaningful ways. Together we were able to demonstrate that unity is the backbone of one's success.

As MCAS continues to forge valuable relationships with other organisations in order to benefit the community, we found great strength and talent in our people that we always believe we've had. Alhamdulillah, we are proud of the milestones we've achieved this year which helped us broaden our outreach.

On the forefront, we implemented several systems like the e-zakat online payment, re-designed MCAS website and developed procedures to increase efficiency. We also established different sub-committees to conform to the latest Code of Governance by the Commissioner of Charities. Our followers on social media has steadily risen in the last year and traffic on our website has also seen an increase. We reached out to more beneficiaries as we engage with the social service and family service centre on financial cases.

As a place of knowledge, MCAS helps Converts' – young or old, born Muslims and even non-Muslims to re-connect or learn more about Islam. We take pride in the formation and appointment of our Asatizah Advisory Committee where courses and programmes are developed to provide an opportunity for everyone to grasp the holistic understanding of Islamic practices and the wisdom behind it.

Our Da'wah initiatives saw us streamlining the Befriender's Scheme, where we empower Senior Befrienders to oversee our Beginners Course in Islam class cycles. We collaborated with Mendaki in their Learning Festival to promote the books and merchandise sold at the English Islamic Bookshop. We also went green as we swapped to the non-woven bag.

Our youth wing – Youth of Darul Arqam celebrated their 10th year anniversary, uniting our young talents with exciting events and activities. We invited renown speakers and personalities such as Bro Aiman Azlan, Ustaz Mizi Wahid as well as Sis Annabelle Francis at the YODA10 talks held in Singapore Expo. We always believe in the need to

nurture our people – the youths, converts', and every single Muslim to be an excellent ambassador to Islam and always be ready to give back to society and live lives with purpose and meaning.

At MCAS, we are blessed to have wonderful and talented individuals among our volunteers and staff. Our Converts' Development team embarked on one of the proudest moments in our history. During Ramadhan, we launched the Muslim Converts' Guidebook – inaugurated by Minister Masagos Zulkifli at the Official Iftar on 1st June. Ambassadors from the various Consulates, representatives from several Muslim organisations as well as other invited dignitaries attended the event. We also appointed the first female Registration Officers within the new term – marking the first in Singapore.

For our annual community service project – MCAS Qurban Drive, we were honoured to have President Halimah Yacob, the President of the Republic of Singapore, grace the event. Madam Halimah waved our volunteers off as they rallied to deliver groceries to the less fortunate families. We collaborated with several Muslim organisations to reach out to about 1,000 disadvantaged families, providing them with groceries and Qurban meat. A huge turnout in the number of volunteers saw MCAs breaking the Singapore Book of Records under the category the Largest Convoy of Vehicles Delivering Groceries for Charity. We sincerely hope that the work we do touches the hearts of many and helps make a difference in someone's life.

In summary, 2019 has been a great year with new relationships forged, deep commitments helped steer new beginnings, and the dedication of our people shined bright like a beacon.

As we anticipate MCAS 40th Anniversary this year in 2020, we would like to encourage you to step forward and join us as we plan exciting activities and events for our members. All our work will not be made possible without your cooperation, we humbly ask for your continued support as we continue this journey. We pray to be continuously given opportunities to contribute positively to, and in harmony with the community, while upholding, through our efforts and actions, the Islamic message of peace and excellence together, In Sha Allah.

**Wabillaahitaufiq Walhidayah Wassalamualaikum
Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh**

KEY DIVISIONAL MILESTONES

ACHIEVED IN YEAR 2019

CORPORATE AFFAIRS

1. Conformance to the latest Code of Governance by the Commissioner of Charities
2. Completed the Board Policy Manual (BPM)
3. Completed draft Amendments to the Constitution
4. Commencement of the implementation of the Personal Data Protection Act (PDPA)
5. Developed Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) practice and compliance within the organisation
6. Launched the Electronic Direct Mail (EDM) for members
7. Increased the followers to our Social Media have grown to 4,647 on Instagram and 23,706 on Facebook
8. Completed re-designing of MCAS website
9. Implemented e-zakat on MCAS website to accept online donation
10. Printed The Muslim Reader magazine and MCAS Calendars

FINANCE

1. Set up the Investment and Asset Sub-Committee
2. Established a New Investment Portfolio Transformation (2020 to 2024)
3. Acquired tenancy for Hexacube Office
4. Development of SOP for Procurement and Tender
5. Completed the Internal Audit Review by Shared Service for Charities on:
 - a. Procurement and Payment
 - b. Cash and Investment Management
 - c. Receipts & Collection (Donor Management)
6. Set up a Foreign Converts Welfare Fund
7. Established new Payment Method at The English Bookshop - PAYNOW
8. Established the Utilisation of Unutilised Zakat
9. Networked with Social Service and Family Service Centre on Financial cases

DA'WAH

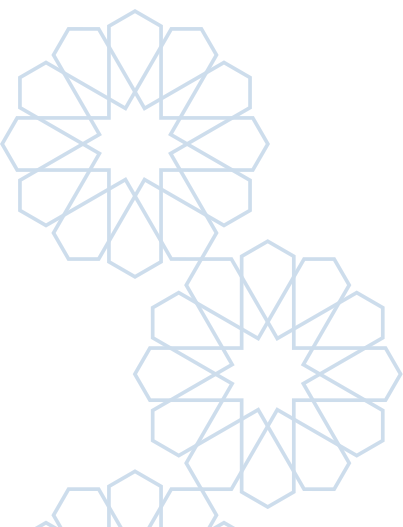
1. YODA 10 – YODA milestone of 10 years bringing all Da'wah volunteers, Public Talk, YODA, Docent & PTH Befrienders to assist in the event
2. Singapore Muslim Youth Debate – successfully engaged 2 non-profit organisations, i.e. RLAF and Mercy Relief to participate in the event
3. Streamlined Befrienders Scheme – empowering the senior Befriender to oversee the BCI class cycle
4. Collaborated and participated in Mosque Open House with Masjid Ahmad Ibrahim and Masjid Al-Iman
5. Participated in 2 days Mendaki event, i.e. Raikan Ilmu Festival
6. English Islamic Bookshop produced 2 MCAS merchandise - Thermal Flask and Notebook
7. English Islamic Bookshop goes green with Non-Woven Bag with MCAS logo for brand awareness
8. English Islamic Bookshop is the first in Singapore to bring Youth Centric books by Iman Publication
9. Organised Da'wah Awareness Training Program (DATP) Alumni gathering and team bonding

EDUCATION

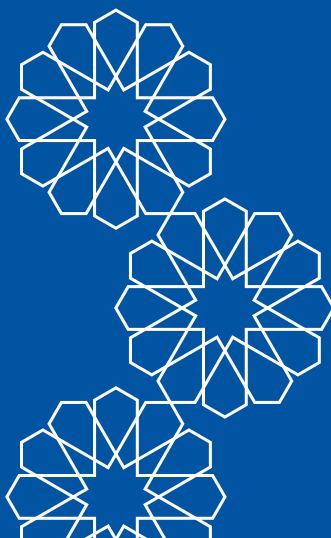
1. Formation and appointment of MCAS Asatizah Advisory Committee
2. Developed MCAS Teachers' Handbook
3. Developed DACCnDAYS Students' Guidebook
4. Promoted the 'Green Initiative' of providing e-handouts for all classes under Education Division
5. Introduced biometric attendance-taking for all teachers
6. E-attendance taking for all classes
7. Expanded Al-Mawrid Library's role as Knowledge Centre in addition to Book Review programmes:
 - a. Academic Discourse
 - b. Islamic Fine Arts Appreciation
8. Introduced blended learning in classes
9. Set up teachers honoraria revision exercise
10. Initiated the Teachers Annual Meet-up Session beginning in 2019
11. Developed the Islamic Etiquettes and Manners Course (Adab & Akhlaq Course)

CONVERTS' DEVELOPMENT

1. Appointed new Registration Officers for the term 1 August 2019 – 31 December 2020
2. Appointed the First Female Registration of Conversion Officers in Singapore
3. Experiential Learning to various Masjids for Converts (Welcome to Islam Programme)
4. Launched New MCAS Publication: Muslim Converts' Guidebook
5. Introduced the Conversion Process in Infographics media
6. Introduced Converts' Arena Programme - a platform for Converts
7. PRO (Project Reaching Out): Assisted Converts in critical need, Jenazah Support and Home Visits



CORPORATE PROFILE



**COMPLIANCE WITH
THE CODE OF GOVERNANCE**

MCAS has complied with the Code of Governance issued by the Commissioner of Charities

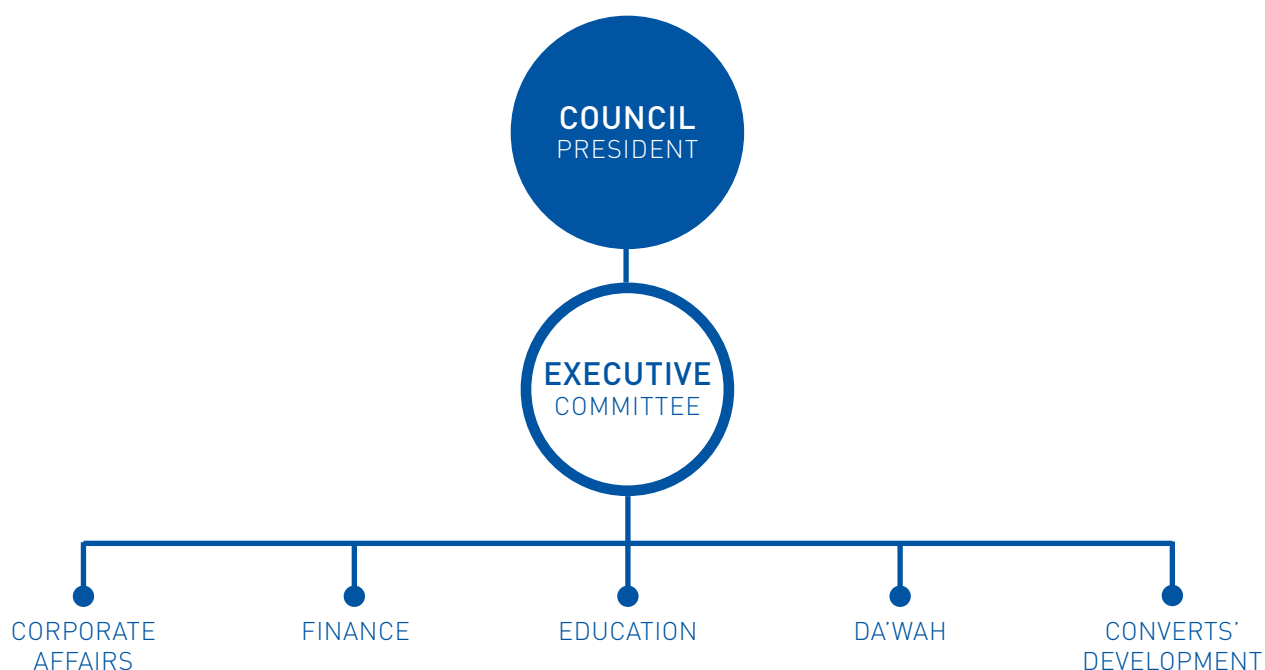
TRUSTEES

MCAS Trustees are Sidek Saniff, Ridzuan Wu, and Kamar Lim

RISEAP (REGIONAL ISLAMIC
DAKWAH COUNCIL OF SOUTH
EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC)

MCAS is an ordinary member of RISEAP

ORGANISATIONAL CHART



AUDIT COMMITTEE 2018 – 2020

Ridzuan Wu
Dr Ameen Talib
Edwin Ignatious M @ Muhammed Faiz
Moiz Tyebally
Hameed Abdullah

EXTERNAL AUDITOR

Deloitte & Touche LLP

BANKS

CIMB Bank
DBS Bank
Maybank Singapore
OCBC Bank

COUNCIL 2019

CORPORATE INFORMATION

There was a total of 5 Council meetings organised in 2019. The Council members for the term 2018 to 2020 and their attendance at Council meetings were as follows:

	Names	Attendance
01.	Ariff Sultan s/o Yousoff Sultan	5 out of 5
02.	Chung Yow Min @ Danial Chung	4 out of 5
03.	Edwin Ignatious M @ Muhammed Faiz	5 out of 5
04.	Fatimah Abdullah	4 out of 5
05.	Foo Eng Yoong @ Adam Foo	4 out of 5
06.	Gonzaga Venerando Canesa @ Abdul Al-Jabbar	5 out of 5
07.	Harjit Singh s/o Bot Singh @ Haziq Harjit Singh	3 out of 5
08.	Keng Poh Meng @ Mikhail Keng	3 out of 5
09.	Lim Kok Hao Ivan @ Iskandar Zulkarnain	2 out of 5
10.	Luke Ong Kim Hoe @ Luqman Ong	5 out of 5
11.	Mohd Ridzuan Ng	4 out of 5
12.	Muhammad Imran Kuna Abdullah	5 out of 5
13.	Ng Keng Khong @ Saleem Ng	4 out of 5
14.	Nur Hani Nasir	4 out of 5
15.	Saleh O'Dempsey	3 out of 5
16.	Ramesh s/o M Kannan @ Muhammad Shakir	2 out of 5
17.	Razees Abdul Karim	5 out of 5
18.	Ridzuan Wu Chia Chung	5 out of 5
19.	Selvasingam s/o Ganapathi @ Sharukh Abdullah	3 out of 5
20.	Suresh Abdullah	3 out of 5
21.	Veen Helena Marie @ Maryam Veen	3 out of 5
22.	Wong Sai Fung @ Iman Abdullah	4 out of 5
23.	Zin Bo Aung	4 out of 5
24.	Joy Joanne Shalome Bikarmjeet Singh @ Farah – <i>lapsed and co-opted on 30 Nov 2019</i>	1 out of 5
25.	Neeta Puri d/o Guruday @ Zaraa' Abdullah – <i>lapsed on 31 Aug 2019 and co-opted on 30 Nov 2019</i>	0 out of 4
26.	Moiz Tyebally – <i>co-opted on 25 May 2019</i>	3 out of 3
27.	Muhammad Mubarak Habib Mohamed – <i>co-opted on 25 May 2019</i>	2 out of 3

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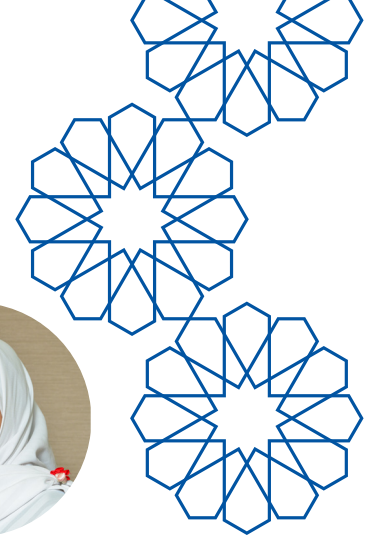
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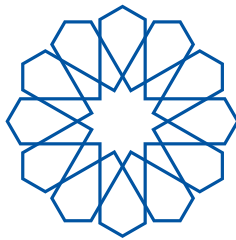
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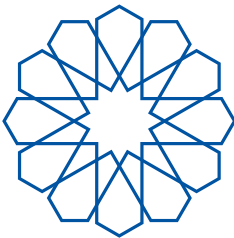
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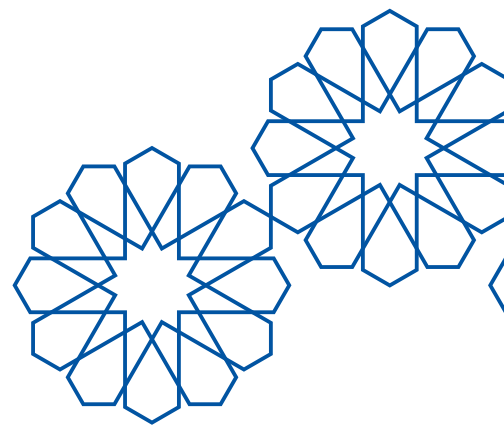
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

APPOINTED IN 2019

There was a total of 13 Executive Committee (Ex-Co) meetings organized in 2019.



President
Muhammad Imran Kuna Abdullah
Attendance in 2019: 13/13



Deputy President
Foo Eng Yoong @ Adam Foo
Attendance in 2019: 10/13



Vice President, Corporate Affairs
Ariff Sultan s/o Yousoff Sultan
(from 31 August 2019)
Attendance in 2019: 11/13
Suresh Abdullah
(28 July 2018 to 24 June 2019)
Attendance in 2019: 4/6



Assistant Vice President, Corporate Affairs
Zin Bo Aung
(from 31 August 2019)
Attendance in 2019: 12/13
Selvasingam s/o Ganapathi @ Sharukh Abdullah
(27 October 2018 to 25 May 2019)
Attendance in 2019: 4/5



Vice President, Finance
Ng Keng Khong @
Saleem Ng
Attendance in 2019: 9/13



Assistant Vice President, Finance
Lim Kok Hao Ivan @
Iskandar Zulkarnain
Attendance in 2019: 5/13





**Vice President,
Converts' Development**
Chung Yow Min @ Danial Chung
(from 25 May 2019)
Attendance in 2019: 7/8
Zin Bo Aung
(7 April 2018 to 25 May 2019)



**Assistant Vice President,
Converts' Development**
Luke Ong Kim Hoe @
Luqman Ong
(from 25 May 2019)
Attendance in 2019: 8/8
Joy Joanne Shalome
Bikarmjeet Singh @ Farah
(7 Apr 2018 to 25 May 2019)
Attendance in 2019: 1/5



Vice President, Education
Saleh O'Dempsey
Attendance in 2019: 10/13



Assistant Vice President, Education
Keng Poh Meng @ Mikhail Keng
Attendance in 2019: 7/13



Vice President, Da'wah
Nur Hani Nasir
(from 31 August 2019)
Attendance in 2019: 11/13
Ariff Sultan s/o Yousoff Sultan
(28 July 2018 to 31 August 2019)



Assistant Vice President, Da'wah
Ramesh s/o M Kannan @ Muhammad Shakir
(from 31 August 2019)
Attendance in 2019: 2/4
Nur Hani Nasir
(7 April 2018 to 31 August 2019)

STAFF LIST

As at 31 December 2019, the total staff strength at MCAS was 36.

CORPORATE AFFAIRS

A1. Norsiah Saad
B1. Faudziah Omar
C1. Razali Tompong
D1. Abdul Shukor Sarip
E1. Suhaila Ismail
F1. Nuradilah Sari
G1. Qurrah Shumar
H1. Irwani Asad
I1. Shaik M Ismail S A Kader
J1. Nur Shabana Abdullah

Deputy General Manager, Head
Senior Executive Officer
Executive Officer
Assistant Executive Officer
Assistant Executive Officer
Assistant Executive Officer
Senior Management Support Officer
Senior Management Support Officer
Management Support Officer
Counsellor

FINANCE

A2. Hanim Yahya
B2. Noormala Saleh
C2. Nur Atikah Jamil
D2. Siti Munirah M Ezar
E2. Nurhidayah Senin
F2. M Abdul Hadi Mansor
G2. M Luqman M Azahar

Head
Executive Officer
Executive Officer
Senior Management Support Officer
Management Support Officer
Management Support Officer
Management Support Officer

CONVERTS' DEVELOPMENT

A3. Kyaw Zin Tun @ Omar Ma
B3. Anis Maricar
C3. M Sameer Shahul Hamid Maraicar
D3. A Muralitharan @ M Yusuf Ali Abdullah
E3. Surayya Shahri
F3. Rabiatal Adawiyah Ng Abdullah

Assistant Head
Executive Officer
Assistant Executive Officer
Management Support Officer
Management Support Officer
Management Support Officer

EDUCATION

A4. M Fadhlullah Daud
B4. M Khidhir Idris
C4. Nuraizah Amin
D4. Nor'ashikeen Abdullah
E4. Jalil Ashraf Jeeva
F4. Nur Syafiqah Ahmad Fauzi
G4. Khairulhuda Anshar

Head
Assistant Head
Executive Officer
Assistant Executive Officer
Senior Management Support Officer
Management Support Officer
Management Support Officer

DA'WAH

A5. Junaidi Ali
B5. Nurhana Zailani Shatifan
C5. M Farhan M Shah
D5. Bushra Habibullah
E5. M Hanafi M Ekbal Shah
F5. Norzaah Musa

Head
Senior Executive Officer
Executive Officer
Executive Officer
Assistant Executive Officer
Senior Management Support Officer

Resigned in 2019

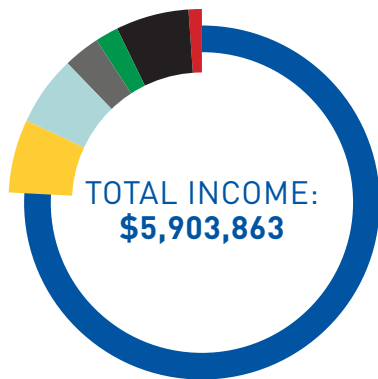
Zainal Abidin Nordin
Syazwani Mashoed
Amilianah Abdul Razak
Natasha Dania Aliyya Low

Retired in 2019

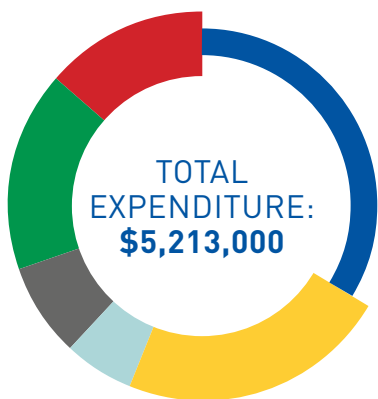
Rusmini Komzari



FINANCIAL SUMMARY



Donations	75%
Rental Income	6%
Grants	6%
Course fees	3%
Bookshop	2%
Interest & Dividends	6%
Others	1%



Manpower	33%
Financial Aid	22%
Da'wah	6%
Converts' Welfare	7%
Operations	17%
Others	15%

INCOME STATEMENT

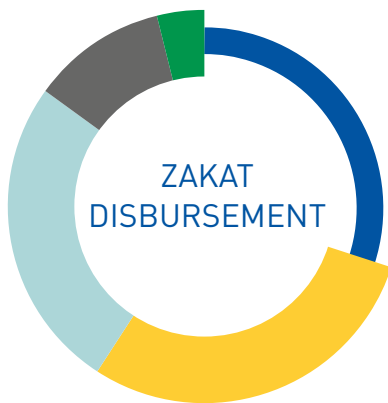
TOTAL INCOME: \$5,903,863

Income	2019 (\$'000)
(Exclude Revaluation Gain)	
Donations	4,469
- Zakat Contributions	
- General Donations	
- Fidyah	
Rental Income	363
Grants	329
- MUIS Grants, Syariah Court Grants	
Course Fees	201
- Children & Youth Classes (DACCnDAYS)	
- Marriage Guidance Course	
- Foundation in Islamic Religious Studies	
- Foundation in Quranic Studies	
Bookshop Sales	135
Interests & Dividends	372
Others	35
- Membership Fees	
- Sponsorships	

EXPENDITURE

TOTAL EXPENDITURE: \$5,213,000

Expenditure	2019 (\$'000)
Manpower	1,753
- Salaries & CPF	
Financial Aid	1,178
- Poor & Needy	
- Gharimin	
- Fidyah	
- Scholarships / Bursary	
Da'wah	303
- Da'wah Programme	
- Public Talks / In-house Talks	
- Free Publications	
- Al-Mawrid Library	
- Enrichment Courses	
- Project Touching Hearts	
Converts' Welfare	401
- Embracing Islam	
- Building Bridges	
- Enrichment Programmes	
- Project Reaching Out	
Operations	876
- Building Maintenance	
- Depreciation	
- Property Tax	
Others	702
- Administrative Charges	
- Bookshop Expenses	
- Zakat Project	
- Marriage Guidance Course	
- DACCnDAYS	
- Foundation in Islamic Religious Studies	
- Foundation in Quranic Studies	



ZAKAT DISBURSEMENT BY ASNAF

● Fakir & Miskin	30%
● Fisabilillah	29%
● Muallaf	26%
● Amil	11%
● Riqab, Ibnissabil & Gharimin	4%

MEMBERSHIP

As at 31 December 2019, MCAS membership stood at **2,203**.

Converts represent more than two-thirds of the Ordinary/Life Membership which is in compliance with Clause 4(f) of the Constitution.

The membership privileges include:

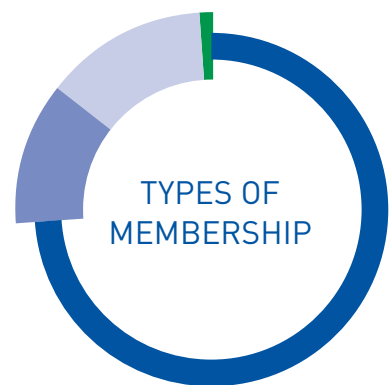
- receiving The Muslim Reader
- discounts on books at The English Islamic Bookshop
- discounts on courses offered by MCAS

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS 2017 - 2019



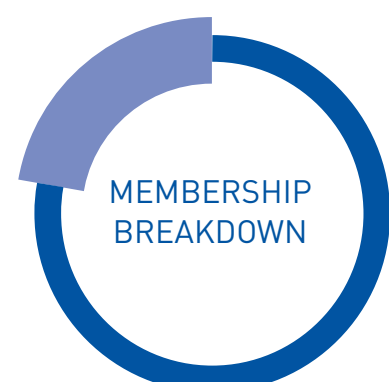
TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP IN 2018

● Ordinary	1,628
● Associate	257
● Life	294
● Student	24
	2,325



MEMBERSHIP BREAKDOWN

● Convert	78%
● Born Muslim	22%
● Non Muslim	0%
	100%



INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

TO CONFORM TO THE LATEST CODE OF GOVERNANCE BY COMMISSIONER OF CHARITIES GUIDELINES

The Council appointed Shared Charities for Services (SSC) to conduct an Independent Review of the Policies and Procedures of the Association, to conform to the latest code of Governance by the Commissioner of Charities Guidelines. This review was conducted over a period of 2 years from 2018 to 2019.

In 2018, the following business processes were reviewed:

- i. Corporate Governance Review
- ii. Receipts & Collection – Donation Management
- iii. Procurement and Payments
- iv. Cash and Investment Management

In 2019, the following business processes were reviewed:

- i. Human Resource and Payroll Processing
- ii. PDPA Review
- iii. Follow-up Review

The Corporate Affairs and Finance Divisions have successfully updated the policies and procedures recommended by SSC for the deliverables agreed for 2019. We have also agreed with SSC to implement the remainder of the recommendations in 2020.

BOARD POLICY MANUAL (BPM)

The Commissioner of Charities has mandated that registered charities have a Board Policy Manual (BPM) to guide Board Members on the organizational related matters. MCAS has completed the BPM and it is available to Council Members to access it.

The BPM, which is a useful tool to guide Board Members in their functions, has been documented. The BPM framework includes the following:

- Organisation Background
- Governance Roles & Responsibilities of Board
- Strategic Planning and Programme Evaluation
- Human Resource
- Financial Controls and Accountability
- Fund Raising
- Public Relations & Communications

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAW SUB-COMMITTEE (CBLS)

Since its appointment from 12 May 2018 under the term of Ex-Co/ Council 2018-2020, the members have met nine (9) times to deliberate on issues concerning the Constitution and By-Law so as to ensure that the Association remains viable, functional and relevant including its governance mechanism. Members of the Sub-Committee are:

- Ridzuan Wu, Trustee and Council
- Muhammad Imran Kuna, President and Chairman
- Adam Foo, Deputy President
- Ariff Sultan, VP (CA)
- Zin Bo Aung, AVP (CA)
- Edwin Ignatious M @ Muhammad Faiz, Council
- Suresh Abdullah, Council
- Moiz Tyebally, Council
- Abdul Jalil M Tahir, Member
- Shahbaz Ahmad, Member

The CBLS proposed two By-Laws which were adopted by Ex-Co and Council, namely:

1. The term of the President shall not be more than 4 consecutive terms consisting of 8 years. Re-appointment may be considered after a minimum lapse of one term consisting of 2 years.
2. The term of VP (CA) shall preferably not be more than 4 consecutive terms consisting of 8 years.

They had also recommended to Ex-Co/Council most of the Constitutional Amendments that will be tabled at MCAS AGM in March 2020.

MCST MATTERS

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) for MCST 1677 (Galaxy) was held at Galaxy Tower on 19 October at 3 pm. Bro Ridzuan Wu had attended as the Association's Trustee together with the Association's representative, Bro Zin Bo (Ex-Co) and Bro Razali (staff). At the Meeting, Bro Razali was voted to be the Secretary for MCST 1677 while Bro Zin Bo was nominated as a Council member.

One of the major repairs done by MCST 1677 was for the replacement of the cooling tower 2 at MCAS Galaxy Building. The work was completed and commissioned on 14 October 2019 at the cost of \$18,500.

The AGM for MCST 4563 (Hexacube) was held on 30 August, and the Association was represented by Bro Razali who was subsequently nominated as a Council member of the MCST.

PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION ACT (PDPA)

With effect from 1 September 2019, organisations must not collect, use or disclose NRIC numbers, among others, to comply with the "Advisory Guidelines on the Personal Data Protection Act" for NRIC and other matters. Identification numbers (NRIC Advisory Guidelines) issued by Personal Data Protection Constitution (PDPC) on 31 August 2018.

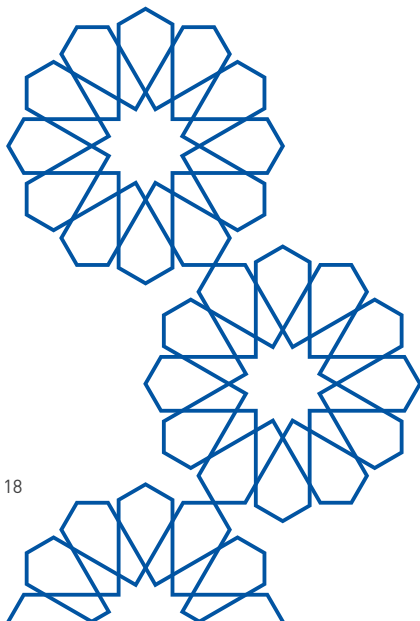
MCAS has taken steps to adhere to these guidelines. MCAS has reviewed the SAP and Student Management System (SMS) and had engaged the two vendors to modify their systems by avoiding the use of the NRIC/ Passport Number as the key identification to the Customer/ Member record and to use an alternative identifier.

As a consequence, a new MCAS member card will be issued in March 2020, with the removal of the NRIC/ Passport Number and a new number for the member.

The Association has appointed a consultant, Straits Interactive Pte Ltd, to provide an In-House Advisory Services to enhance its compliance with PDPA regulations. The engagement is expected to start in the 1st Quarter of 2020.

REGIONAL ISLAMIC DA'WAH COUNCIL OF SOUTHEAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (RISEAP)

The Association continues to be a member association in RISEAP. MCAS was represented by its President, Muhammad Imran Kuna and VP (Finance), Salem Ng at the 18th RISEAP Biennial General Assembly in Bangkok from 2 to 6 November 2019. The Assembly provided a great opportunity for networking which was invaluable.





INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Website Development

The previous MCAS website was designed in 2011 on a CMS platform. The core functions of the website were to offer online booking for classes and information on embracing Islam. After 2 years of running online, the website was revamped again in 2013 to make it more informative and user-friendly for users.

The website is constantly evolving due to technological changes and the Association's requirements. MCAS had engaged Web Puppies to redesign the website.

The new website was revamped and launched on 13 May 2019 to coincide with the month of Ramadhan in order to accept online donation and Zakat payment with PayPal, Visa and Mastercard.

Other than the additional stated functions, the website now is more user-friendly as it allow users to navigate to MCAS classes, courses & services easily.

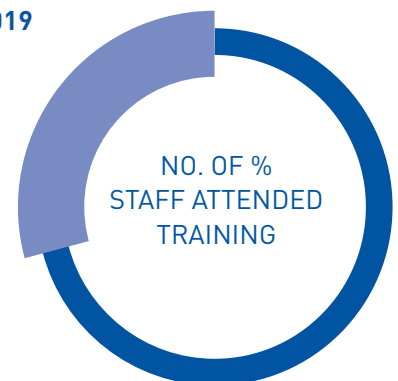
Since the launch of the new website, it has garnered more than 400,000 views and 150,000 sessions.

STAFF TRAINING

The Association had invested in the training of its staff to produce greater productivity, higher quality of work output, increase work efficiency and boost work performance. Below is an overview of the overall staff training:

STAFF TRAINING OVERVIEW 2019

● Professional Courses (Work Related)	71%
● Personal Development Courses	29%
	100%



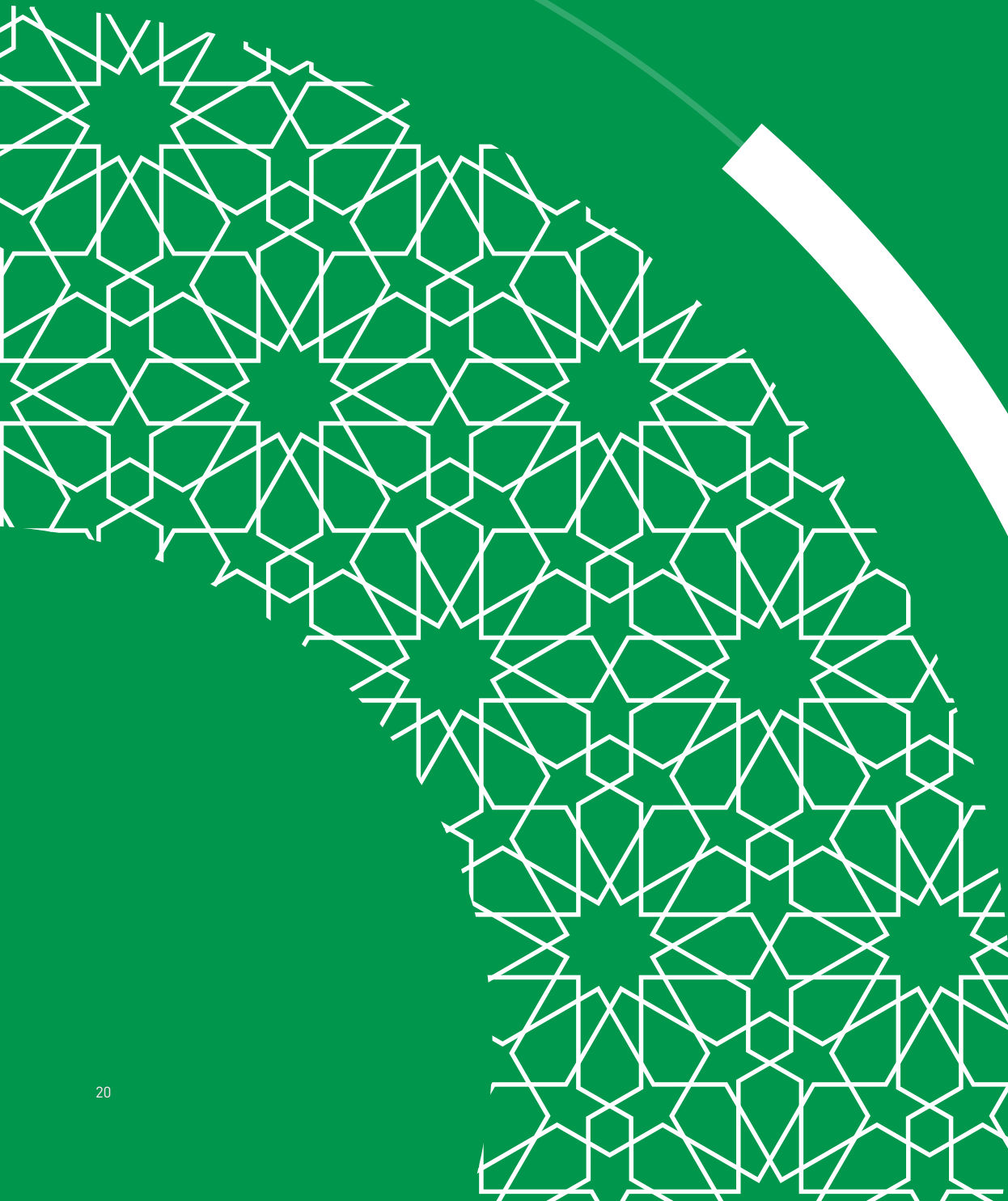
STAFF TRAINING BY HOURS

● Professional Courses (Work Related)	1874
● Personal Development Courses	170.5
	100%

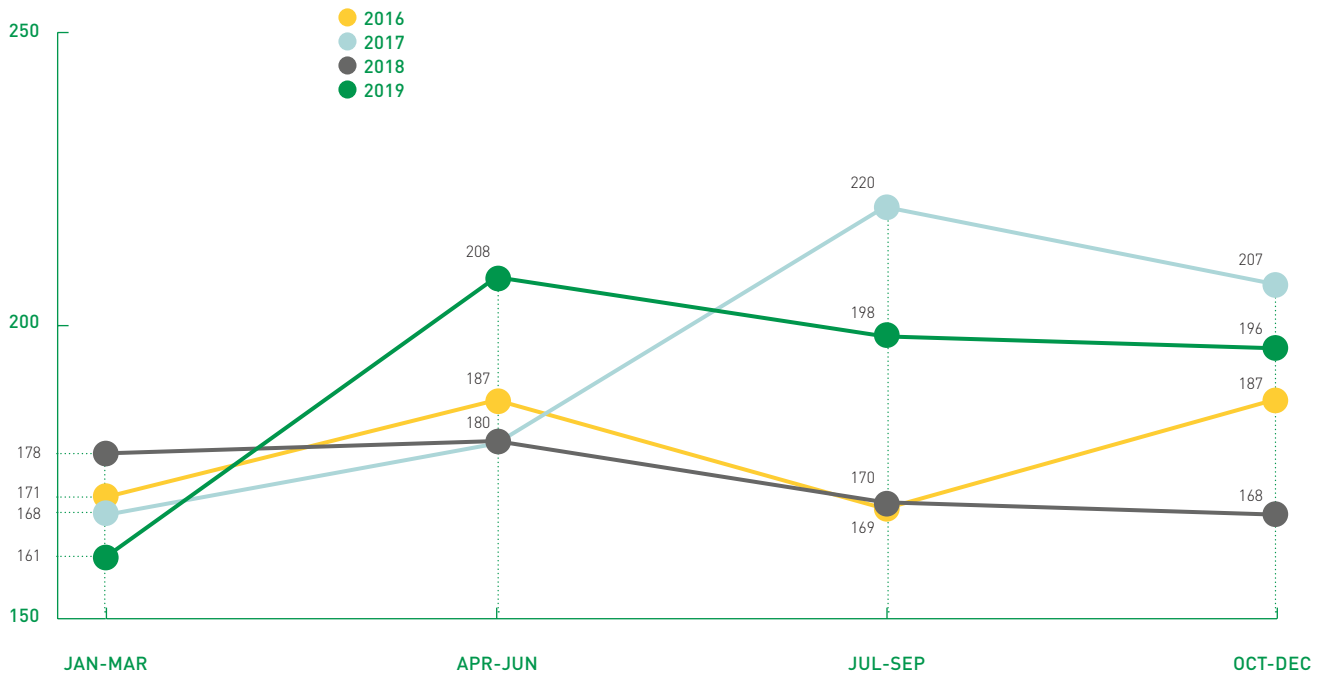




CONVERSIONS AT MCAS



CONVERSION HIGHLIGHTS 2016 - 2019



ONE-STOP CENTRE FOR CONVERTS (OSCC)

TOTAL NUMBER OF CONVERSIONS



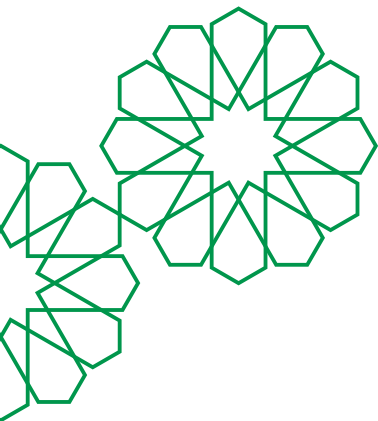
The Association continues to be appointed as the One-Stop Centre for Converts (OSCC) by the Islamic Religious Council of Singapore (MUIS).

In 2019, OSCC continued to facilitate the issuance of conversion cards, reimbursement of fees for transport, circumcision, and the charges incurred upon insertion of Muslim name in the identity cards for Singaporeans.

All converts and prospective converts were encouraged to attend the Knowing Islam Session (KIS), the Beginners' Course on Islam (BCI), and the Let's Pray (LP) course. Upon completion of their courses, future converts can make an online registration for their dates of conversion.

On the day of conversion, the converts are personally invited to participate in the upcoming activities, to continue attending courses to further gain knowledge in Islam and attend the talks that are organised by MCAS.

NEWLY APPOINTED REGISTRATION OFFICERS (1 AUG 2019 – 31 DEC 2020)



For the first time in Singapore, five female Registration Officers are inducted into the pool of registrars, whose duties are to preside over any registration and conversion of a person wishing to embrace Islam. Held on 5 December 2019, the appointment ceremony was officiated at MUIS by the Deputy Director from Office of the Mufti, Ustaz Irwan Hadi Mohd Shuhaimy.

Below are the Registration Officers for the term 1 Aug 2019 – 31 Dec 2020.



Front Row (Seated, From Left):

Ustazah Shameem Sultanah Abdul Gaffoor, Ustazah Bushra Habibullah, Ustazah Kalthom Muhammad Isa, Sis Salmiah Haji Sayadi, Ustazah Nuradilah Sari

2nd Row (Standing, From Left):

Bro Muhammad Feroz Bin Abdullah, Ustaz Muhammad Hanafi Mohamed Ekbal Shah, Ustaz Kyaw Zin Tun @ Omar Ma, Bro Juana Saifful Bin Manis, Bro Johari Abdul Aziz, Bro Abdul Razak Isa, Bro Muhammad Imran Kuna (MCAS President), Ustaz Irwan Hadi Mohd Shuhaimy (Deputy Director – Office of the Mufti, MUIS), Bro Bani Ali, Bro A Muralitharan @ Muhammad Yusuf Ali, Bro Hafidz Bin Abdullah, Bro Mah Li Jaafar, Bro Mohamed Sameer Shahul Hamid Maraicar

3rd Row (Standing, From Left):

Ustaz Mohammed Nazim Rahuma Dulla, Bro Mohammad Farhan Bin Md Shah, Bro Umar Siraj Md Noor Bakor Sharbeeni, Bro Chung Yow Min @ Danial Chung

Absent:

Bro Foo Eng Yoong @ Adam Foo, Ustaz Muhammad Ameen Packir Mohideen, Ustaz Muhammad Fadhlullah Daud

WELCOME TO ISLAM PROGRAMME (WTI)

The Welcome to Islam (WTI) programme was developed primarily to facilitate interaction amongst new Converts and other volunteers. It encouraged new Converts and their families to be at ease with other Muslims through socialising and interactions about their journey towards Islam. In the WTI programme, Converts were introduced and invited to MCAS classes, social visits to Mosques/Islamic organisations, participate in workshops, and other enrichment activities.

Welcome to Islam Programme

■ Born-Muslims
■ Converts

05 May 2019

Masjid Pusaraman

Total Participants: 48



30 June 2019

Masjid Omar Salmah

Total Participants: 70



29 September 2019

Harmony Centre

Total Participants: 71



11 November 2019

Ba'alwie Mosque

Total Participants: 79



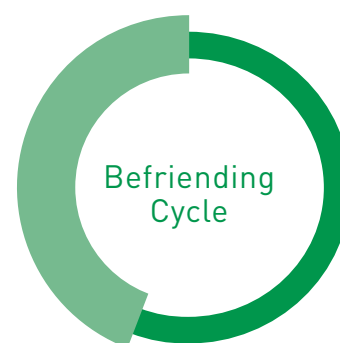
PROJECT TOUCHING HEARTS (PTH)

The Project Touching Hearts (PTH) was a support programme for prospective Converts attending the Beginners' Course in Islam (BCI). The Befrienders underwent training to be equipped with the essential skills for befriending and to help address issues regarding conversion and basic queries on Islam. PTH randomly followed the Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Saturday of the BCI cycles. Over 10 weeks for every cycle, different topics were discussed weekly and the Befrienders encouraged the prospective Converts to continue attending other classes and workshops to benefit their journey in Islam.

In 2019, there was a total of 86 Befrienders Volunteers who took part in the program. A total of 189 participants were involved in the Befrienders cycle, with 56% attendance made up of Converts/ Non-Muslims, an increase of 3% as compared to the Year 2018.

Befriending Cycle

- Non Muslim / Converts Befriendees – 56%
- Born Muslim Befriendees – 44%



OTHER EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS BY PTH

No. Events	Date	Target Audience
01 NLP for Befriending	26 Jan	Befrienders
02 Learning Journey @ Harmony Centre	16 Feb	Befrienders
03 BFF Day	21 Apr	Befrienders & Befriendees
04 How To Be A Role Model In Today's Context	18 May	Befrienders
05 Terawellers	10, 17, 24, 31 May	Befrienders & Befriendees
06 The Great Hari Raya Meet Up	10, 22 Jun	Befrienders & Befriendees
07 PTH Team Bonding & Certification Day	14 Sep	Befrienders
08 BFF Day 2	20 Oct	Befrienders & Befriendees

PTH BEFRIENDERS RECRUITMENT 2019

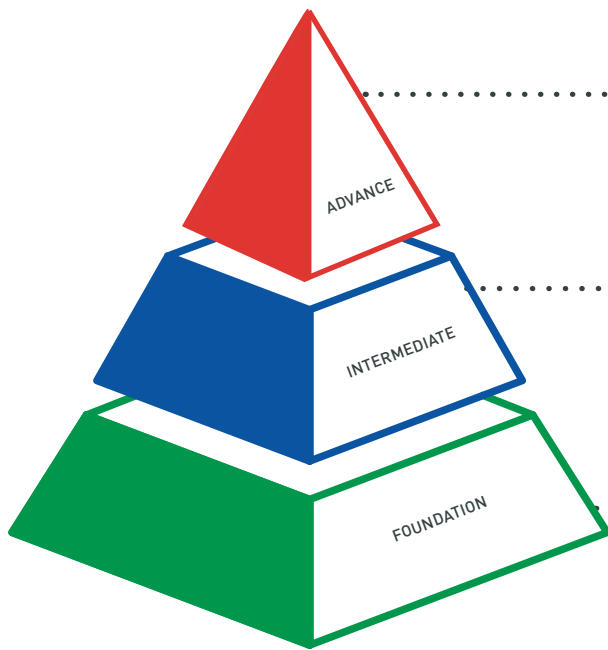
The Project Touching Hearts (PTH) Befrienders Orientation and Recruitment was carried out on 6 July 2019 with 40 registrants out of whom 29 went through the 6-day training and certified as PTH Befrienders.

RELIGIOUS GUIDANCE & DA'WAH ACTIVITIES



EDUCATION AT MCAS

The New Learning Pathway offered a clear and progressive learning opportunity to all students, primarily the Converts. All lesson contents are categorised into four levels: Foundation, Enhancement, Intermediate, and Advance. Students could chart their progress and participate in the courses according to their level of knowledge. Our programmes were open to all, with priority given to Converts, in cases whereby the response was overwhelming.



● Advance

Learners would develop analytical understanding of Islam as well as appreciate the knowledge seeking tradition of the scholars.

● Intermediate

Learners would develop an appreciation for the extended knowledge in various tenets of Islam. Learners would be introduced to the Sciences of Prophetic Traditions.

● Foundation

Learners would acquire foundational knowledge on Islamic faith and its main ritual practices. Converts are encouraged to attend these courses for holistic understanding of Islam.

COURSES OFFERED AT MCAS

FOUNDATION LEVEL COURSES

Learners would acquire foundational knowledge on Islamic faith and its main ritual practices. Converts are encouraged to attend these courses for holistic understanding of Islam.

Pre-Conversion Courses:

- a) Knowing Islam Session (KIS)
- b) Beginners' Course on Islam (BCI)
- c) Beginners' Course on Islam Express (BCIX)
- d) Beginners' Course on Islam (in Mandarin)
- e) Refresher Course on Islam
- f) Lets' Pray 1 (LP 1)
- g) Lets' Pray Express (LPX)
- h) Refresher Course on Solat

Post-Conversion Courses:

- i) Islamic Creed 1 (Tawhid 1)
- j) Islamic Rulings 1 (Fiqh 1 - Purifications)
- k) Islamic History 1 (Sirah 1 – Life of the Prophet)
- l) Prophetic Traditions 1 (Hadith 1)
- m) Islamic Adab and Manners
- n) Quran Recitation 1 (Phonetics)
- o) Introduction to Tawhid (In Mandarin)
- p) Friday Prayer Practical

INTERMEDIATE LEVEL COURSES

Learners would develop an appreciation for the extended knowledge in various tenets of Islam. Learners would be introduced to the Sciences of Prophetic Traditions.

- a) Let's Pray 2 (LP2)
- b) Sunnah Prayers Course
- c) Islamic Creed 2 (Tawhid 2 – Fostering Relationships with the Creations)
- d) Islamic Rulings 2 (Fiqh 2 – Prayers)
- e) Islamic History 2 (Sirah 2 – After Migration to Madinah)
- f) Legacy of the Prophet 2 (Hadith 2)
- g) Quran Reading 2 (Quran Reading)
- h) Fiqh for Ramadan

ADVANCE LEVEL COURSES

Learners would develop analytical understanding of Islam as well as appreciate the knowledge seeking tradition of the scholars.

- a) Islamic Creed 3 (Tawhid 3)
- b) Islamic Rulings 3 (Fiqh 3 - Zakat & Fasting)
- c) Islamic Rulings 4 (Fiqh 4 - Marriage)
- d) Islamic History 3 (Sirah 3 - Past Prophets)
- e) Quran Reading 3 (Tajweed)
- f) Quran Reading 4 (Talaqqi)
- g) Understanding The Quran (Tafsir)
- h) Stories of the Prophets
- i) 99 Beautiful Names of Allah
- j) Infamies of the Soul & Their Treatments
- k) Revival of Religious Sciences: The Principles of the Creed

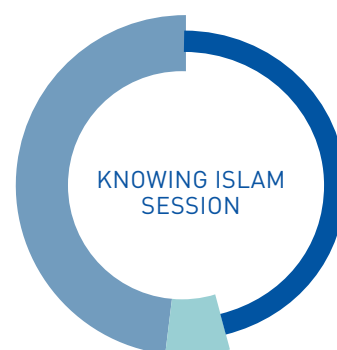
FLAGSHIP COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

KNOWING ISLAM SESSION (KIS)

This session introduced Islam with the correct principles and understanding. It addressed the foundation of Islamic faith, the concept of God and Prophet Muhammad (Peace Be Upon Him).

Frequency:	Single session (Every Weekend except Public Holidays)
No of sessions:	100
Total Participation:	1,392 participants with an average of 125 participants per month

● Non-Muslims – 46%
 ● Converts – 6%
 ● Born-Muslims – 48%

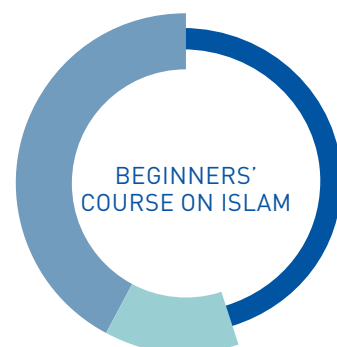


BEGINNERS' COURSE ON ISLAM (BCI)

This course explained the fundamentals of Islam (the tenets of Islam, Iman and Ihsan) based on the recommended textbook, "The Essence of Islam". Course content included learning of mosque etiquette, which concluded with a visit to the mosque, i.e. Khalid Mosque.

Frequency:	10 weekly sessions
No of Cycles:	25
Total Participation:	866 participants

● Non-Muslims – 45%
 ● Converts – 13%
 ● Born-Muslims – 42%



BEGINNERS' COURSE ON ISLAM EXPRESS (BCX)

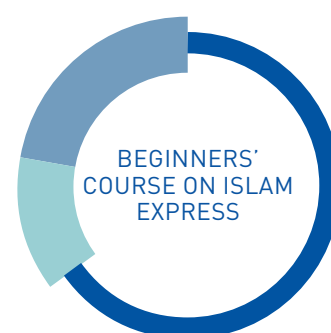
BCX was designed for those who were working outside office hours or having a short stay in Singapore, which prevented them from attending the usual BCI. BCX was conducted on four consecutive days per week for the duration of two weeks. Course contents of BCX were similar to BCI.

Frequency: 2 weeks (4 day-sessions per week)

No of Cycles: 24

Total Participation: 359 participants

● Non-Muslims – 65%
● Converts – 13%
● Born-Muslims – 22%



LET'S PRAY 1 (LP 1) / LET'S PRAY EXPRESS (LPX) CLASSES

Let's Pray classes were offered as a concurrent or follow-up course to BCI / BCX. LP offered practical lessons on the five daily prayers. To ensure learning environment was conducive, lessons were conducted in small groups of males and females, respectively.

Frequency: 6 weekly sessions (LP1)
4 daily sessions (LPX)

No of Cycles: 75 (LP1) & 34 (LPX)

Total Participation: 1,133 participants (LP1: 888; LPX: 245)

● Non-Muslims – 39%
● Converts – 19%
● Born-Muslims – 42%



LET'S PRAY 2 (LP2)

This course served as follow-up to LP1 / LPX. The course emphasised the Sunnah or supererogatory aspects of the five daily prayers.

Frequency: 6 weekly sessions

No of Cycles: 8

Total Participation: 76 participants

● Non-Muslims – 30%
● Converts – 32%
● Born-Muslims – 38%



SUNNAH PRAYER COURSE (SPC)

This course introduces participants to various forms of Sunnah (non-obligatory) prayers such as *Eid, Tarawih, Witr, Dhuha, Jama' & Qasr and Janazah*.

Frequency: 6 weekly sessions

No of Cycles: 3

Total Participation: 99 participants

● Non-Muslims – 6%
● Converts – 24%
● Born-Muslims – 70%



OTHER MODULAR ENRICHMENT COURSE

The modular courses comprised of various subjects spreading from Foundation to Advance level. Conscious efforts are in place to ensure the engagement of qualified religious teachers as well as to deliver quality and effective lessons.

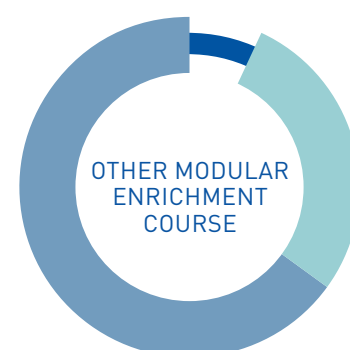
- Islamic Rulings (Fiqh 1 – 4)
- Qur'anic Recitation (Quran 1 – 4)
- Islamic History (Sirah 1 – 3)
- Islamic Creed (Tawhid 1 – 3)
- Prophetic Traditions (Hadith 1 – 2)
- Islamic Adab & Manners

In 2019, there was a total of 1,776 participants who took part in the programmes, of whom 28% were made up of Converts. There is an increment of 3% as compared to the Year 2018, with 25% Converts' attendance.

No of Cycles: 64

Total Participation: 1,776 participants

- Non-Muslims – 7%
- Converts – 28%
- Born-Muslims – 65%



MARRIAGE GUIDANCE COURSE (MGC)

MGC was tailored for marrying couples, one of whom was a Convert. The express course met the demands of those who were on a short stay in Singapore or worked on Sundays. MCAS was constantly in communication with the Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF) in its efforts to improve the curriculum.

Frequency: 2 Sunday sessions

No of Cycles: 12

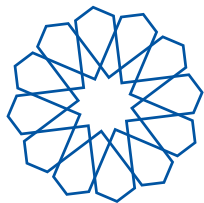
Total Participation: 239 participants

- Non-Muslims – 2%
- Converts – 36%
- Born-Muslims – 62%



OTHER ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

Apart from modular courses, additional courses that are longer in length and contents were held for enrichment purposes. In 2019, the following courses were conducted.



01. Understanding the Quran

This course gave participants the opportunity to discover the wonders of the Qur'an, to ponder on the greatness of the message of Allah and most importantly the Beauty and Greatness of Allah, the One Who revealed this Quran and spoke these very words. This is in-line with the verse of Allah in Surah Al-Ghafir verse 64: *"Allah is He Who made the earth a resting-place for you and the heaven a canopy, and He formed you, then made goodly your forms, and He provided you with goodly things; that is Allah, your Lord; blessed then is Allah, the Lord of the worlds."* – Quran 40:64.

02. The 40 Principles of the Religion

The 40 Principles of The Religion is a comprehensive distillation of Imam Al-Ghazali's magnum opus, *Ihya' Ulum Al-Din* (The Revival of Islamic Sciences), where the author explores the spiritual depth of every aspect of Islam. This condensed work presents Imam Al-Ghazali's profound insights regarding man's lifelong struggle to draw closer to Allah in a simple framework, providing the reader with a step-by-step tried and proven method for spiritual development.

03. Stories of The Prophets

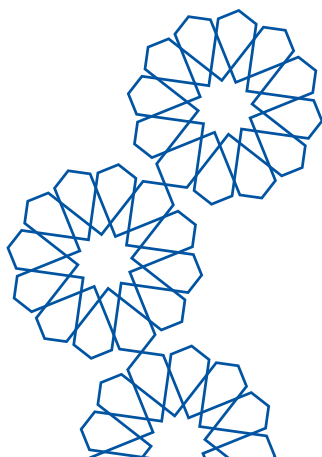
This class was based on the book 'Stories of the Prophets' written by Imam Al-Hafiz Ibn Kathir. The book contains true accounts of the pious lives of the prophets, their exemplary way of life, their sacrifices in the name of Allah, their proclamation for the Message of Allah, reminding the people to follow the right path and forbidding evil things.

04. 99 Beautiful Names of Allah

Imam al-Ghazali is a scholar par excellence in the world of Islamic literature. In this book, a comprehensive English edition is presented for the pursuit of knowing Allah. Taking up the Prophet's method of expounding Allah's 'Ninety-nine Beautiful Names', Imam al-Ghazali reveals the meaning of each divine name and explores their relations to both the cosmos and the soul, from a spiritual perspective.

05. Infamies of the Soul & Their Treatments

This class explored the works of Imam Abu 'Abd al-Rahman as-Sulami, where he presented sixty-nine wicked traits and habits of the soul, including anger, laziness, negligence, self-pity, envy, avarice, lying, and pride. Each infamy is described with its common causes and treatments, usually with relevant Prophetic narrations and statements from early Muslim sages. These infamies incline the soul towards evil and self-reproach. Treating them restores its serenity and certainty. With this translation, students can benefit from the simplicity and practicality of Imam as-Sulami's classic self-help manual that Arabic readers have utilized for the past millennium.





06. Revival of Religious Sciences: The Principles of the Creed

This course explained the foundation belief of Islam, namely the 6 Articles of Faith (Arkanul Iman), concerning faith in God, His Revelations, His Messengers, and the Hereafter. The focus of this book includes on the nature of God, the Prophethood of Muhammad (PBUH), the revelation and events related to resurrection and judgement day.

07. Umrah Course

In this course, the trainer shared the tenets of Umrah (Minor Pilgrimage), including the intentions, actions and supplications that one performs to maximise their days of Umrah.

08. Hajj & Umrah Course

In this course, participants experienced the theoretical and the practical lessons on how to perform the Hajj (Major Pilgrimage) and Umrah rituals.

09. Funeral Management Workshop

The Funeral Management Course discussed subjects related to death and the factors within a Muslim funeral. Participants learnt the theory, as well as the practical aspects, of managing a jenazah (deceased), right from the time of the passing until the burial. Participants also learnt about the signs of death or near death, and the preparation needed when facing these moments.

10. Islam & Astronomy

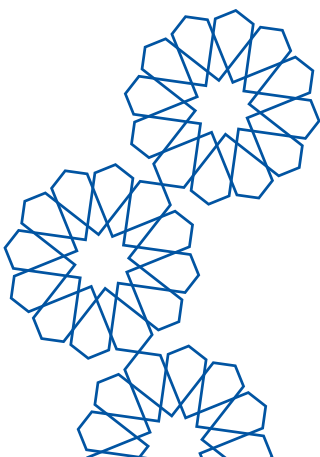
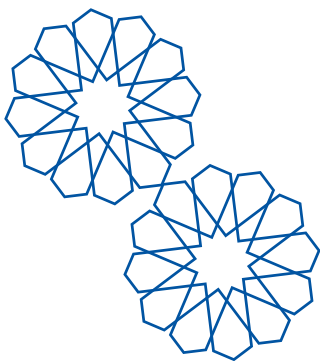
In this workshop, participants learnt about how the Qiblah was navigated through astronomy and how the yearly Taqwim (Islamic Calendar) was identified and confirmed in Singapore.

11. Fiqh For Ladies

In this course, participants learnt the rights of women; as a colleague, a daughter, a wife, and a mother. They will also learn the rulings of Fiqh pertaining to travelling, be it business or leisure, and other important issues related to ladies' fiqh. This class was opened to females only.

12. Fiqh for The Sick

In this course, participants were introduced to the concept of rukhsah (concessions with regards to rulings) on particular issues faced by Muslims when they fall sick. Participants learnt how to carry out their ibadah (worship) e.g. ablution and prayers when admitted in hospitals, based on the circumstances of their health.





13. Fiqh for Travellers

In this workshop, participants learnt about rukhsah (concession) while travelling including the shortening of some prayers, praying while on the move and permissible diet while in foreign countries.

14. Let's Speak Arabic

In this class, participants were introduced to Basic Conversational Arabic. They learn the proper way pronunciation of greetings and well wishes (doa') in the Arabic language. This course also covered the everyday questions and answers that one use to communicate with families and friends.

15. Arabic Writing Course

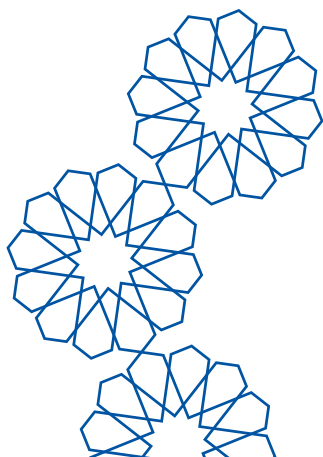
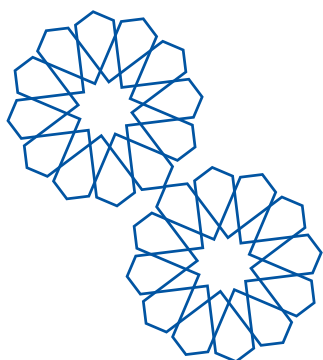
This unique course was designed for everyone who wants to focus on the writing of the Arabic alphabets and practice their writing skills. During these 8 weeks, participants learnt the correct method of writing Arabic alphabets and explored the different types of special forms between the Quranic verses and standard Arabic writing.

16. Fiqh on Imam & Muazzin

This course prepared and equipped participants to lead congregational prayer i.e. from the calling of Azan until the recitations of closing dua (supplications) after prayer. This course covered essential knowledge of the conditions to be an Imam of Fardhu prayers, *saf* (line arrangement) of a *Jama'ah* in prayer consisting of male, female adults and children, the virtues of praying congregation and the virtues of being the *Muazzin* for prayers.

17. Individual Personal Coaching (IPC)

IPC was specially arranged for prospective Converts who were unable to attend the scheduled classes and concurrently require customized learning at a suitable pace for progressive understanding of Islam.



HIGHER ISLAMIC LEARNING MODULE (HILM)

FOUNDATION IN QURANIC STUDIES (FIQS)

Now in its 3rd intake, FIQS, a one-year certification programme is designed to equip participants with a structured Quranic learning programme, culminating with a certificate; to expose participants to various forms of Quranic Sciences; to enhance and refine the Quranic recitation of all participants; and to provide deeper understanding of selected Surahs of Quran.

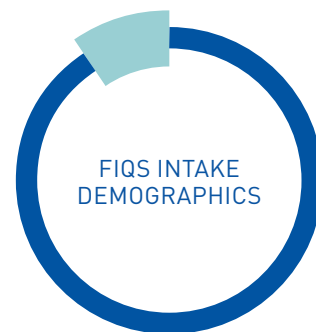
FIQS 2018 (3RD Intake)

The 3rd intake of FIQS officially graduated in year 2019. Thirty-three (33) students successfully graduated from the programme, with Kasmah Mohamed Akbar emerging as the top student.

FIQS Intake Demographics

Total No. of Students: 32

- Born-Muslims – 29
- Converts – 3



FOUNDATION IN ISLAMIC RELIGIOUS STUDIES (FIRST)

Foundation in Islamic Religious Studies (FIRST) was a one-year programme designed to assist in strengthening the basics of Islamic studies. In its 2nd run, this course offers six (6) modules that include assessments through combination of assignment and examinations. Participants can look forward to learning the sciences of Islam catered especially for the masses.

The FIRST course aims to equip participants with:

- a structured Islamic studies programme, culminating with a certificate the various forms of Islamic Sciences
- proper essential teachings of Islam, and how to apply them successfully in life
- in-depth understanding and appreciation for Islam as an all-encompassing way of life

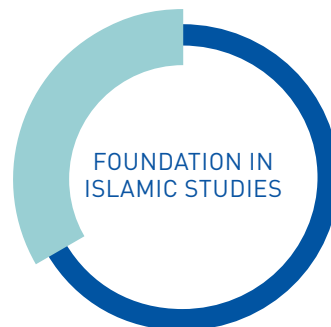
FIRST 2019 (2ND Intake)

The FIRST 2019 intake will officially graduate by end of July 2020. Thirty-six (36) students are currently active in the programme.

FIRST Intake Demographics

Total No. of Students: 36

- Born-Muslims – 24
- Converts – 12



DIPLOMA IN ISLAMIC STUDIES PROGRAMME (DISP)

On 6 July, the Diploma in Islamic Studies (DISP) 16th Intake Graduation took place at MCAS auditorium with the distinguished Prof. Dr. Aahad M. Osman-Gani, Dean & Managing Director of IIUM Academy of Graduate & Professional Studies gracing the ceremony.

Forty-two (42) students successfully graduated from the programme, with our Convert brother, Mr Wong Wai Meng @ Aminuddin Wong emerging as the top student. This event was also attended by the graduates' family members.

COURSES AT EXTERNAL VENUES

DARUL ARQAM CHILDREN CLASSES & DARUL ARQAM YOUTH SCHOOL (DACCNDAYS)

CLASSES IN MOSQUES

MCAS embarked on organising courses at some mosques to make our classes more accessible to students, especially Converts, staying in the Western and Northern parts of Singapore.

Through this initiative, nineteen (19) courses were organised in 2019, reaching out to 358 students, of whom 63 are Converts. The courses were conducted in English and were held at the following mosques:

- Al Iman (North-West)
- Al Khair (West)
- Al Istighfar (East)
- Al Muttaqin (Central-North)
- Maarof (West)

Curriculum includes circumstances that children of Converts were likely to face. Experiential learning and community service activities were organised to improve the students' connection with Allah (SWT), e.g. the Qurban Drive project which saw them involved in the logistics.

Students:	Children (between 7 to 18 years old)
Monthly Fees:	\$50 per month
Frequency:	Weekly
Venue:	Madrasah Al-Ma'arif Al Islamiah

DACCnDAYS Enrollment



Besides weekly classroom-based teaching, DACCnDAYS conducted Experiential Learning (outdoors) as well as other programmes to achieve a holistic and unified learning.

Date	Activities
06 Jan	Teachers' Operational Briefing
13 Jan	Orientation for New Students & Parents
26 May	Ramadhan Day & Qiyam
25 Aug	Qurban Drive
Sep	Formative Assessments
13 Oct	Students' Day
20 Oct	Experiential Learning
03 Nov	Parents-Teacher Meet (PTM)
03 - 23 Nov	Enrichment & Holiday Programmes
10 Nov	Haflah
17 Nov	Volunteers' Academic Year Planning & Retreat
Throughout the year	Parents' Classes

SPECIALISED COURSES & WORKSHOPS

COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE (COP) FOR REGISTRAR OF CONVERSION OFFICER (RO)

Two (2) workshops were conducted where Registrar Officers (RO) shared their experiences, exchanged ideas and best practices. They brainstormed on ways to enhance their role as an RO through discussions on emerging issues as well as sharing of tips and stories.

LET'S CHAT

In 2019, there were four (4) Let's Chat sessions.

Date	Speaker	Total Participants
15 Mar	Ustazah Bushra Habibullah	18
23 Aug	Ustaz Tamliikhaa	21
20 Sep	Ustaz Taufiq Majeed	27
04 Oct	Habib Umar Bin Hafiz	115

QIYAM UL LAIL (NIGHT VIGIL)

The Qiyam ul Layl was organised on 25 May at Hajjah Fatimah Mosque to engage and assist the new Converts and their partners in understanding the meaning, impact, and virtues of the Qiyam ul Layl during the last 10 nights of Ramadhan. There were 20 participants, of which 14 were Converts.

ZIKR (REMEMBRANCE OF ALLAH SWT)

To supplement the spiritual learning journey of the new Converts, Zikr (Remembrance of Allah SWT) sessions were held every last Thursday of the month. Topics discussed included the meaning of Zikr (99 names of Allah), its characteristics and the advantages in a Muslim's life.

CONVERTS' ARENA

The Converts' Arena was introduced with the aim for participants to interact with Muslim Converts on their journeys to Islam. It is a platform for the speaker to share their unique experiences with the participants on how Islam has played a pivotal role in their lives. Participants were given the opportunity to discuss and relate their own experiences with fellow converts and seekers. This was with the hope to achieve fresh spiritual insights and foster new companions in the path towards God. These sessions were attended by students who are exploring Islam, Converts and their partners.

PUBLIC TALKS

Several planned talks could not be executed as the Miscellaneous Work Pass (MWP) or Police Permits were not approved.

In 2019, there were two (2) Public Talks organised at various public venues. The objectives of these talks were to engage, create awareness and convey the message of Islam with astuteness and in an appealing manner to the non-Muslims, new Muslims and born-Muslims who were seeking deeper knowledge on the faith.

Prominent international speakers were invited to deliver talks about contemporary issues affecting the understanding of Islam as well as the universal message of Islam.

Date	Speaker	Topic
29 Sep	Bro Aiman Azlan & Ustaz Tarmizi Wahid	From Ideas to Actions (YODA10) Happy Hearts
29 Sep	Bro Aiman Azlan, Ustaz Taufiq RNB & Ms Annabelle Francis	It Starts With You (YODA10)

IN-HOUSE CONVERSATION

SHARING SESSION WITH HAJI SUGITOMO

A converts' sharing session was organised for the Japanese-speaking community, especially Japanese converts who are residing in Singapore. Approximately 35 Japanese converts and their family attended the session.

Conversing in Japanese, Haji Sugitomo talked about the teachings of Islam, gave away copies of his translation of Quran in Japanese and shared on the developments of Islam in Japan. The attendees enjoyed the session and requested for more of such events.

IN-HOUSE TALKS

There were nineteen (19) In-House Talks conducted at MCAS Auditorium in 2019. The talks primarily attracted MCAS members and the participants of MCAS classes and programmes. In addition, the talks also attracted individuals who are looking for answers about Islam, these talks are organised to address topics and issues that are of importance and of interest to the local community, Muslims and potential Muslims alike.

Date	Speaker	Topic
15 Feb	Ustazah Nazeerah Shaik Alwie	The Ultimate Love
22 Mar	Ustaz Tarmizi Wahid	Why is Allah Doing this to for Me?
07 Apr	Ustaz Baharuddin Pasaribu	Key to the Sustenance Promised by Allah (Bahasa Indonesia)
28 Jun	Ustaz Taufiq RNB	The Secret to True Happiness
5 Jul	Ustazah Liyana Musfirah	The Calm After the Storm
16 Aug		The Status of Women in Islam (Mandarin)
17 Aug	Ustazah Umm Kulthoom (Chen Li)	Keeping Faith in the Face of Adversities (Mandarin)
18 Aug		The Characteristics of a Muslim Family (Mandarin)
30 Aug		Beyond Self Entitlement (Myanmar)
31 Aug	Dr Akbar Shah	Healing the Heart (Myanmar)
01 Sep		The Colours of Humanity (Myanmar)
20 Sep	Ustaz Khalid Rafi, Ms Shabana Abdullah & Ustaz Hanafi Ekbal	Being a Muslim in a world of Drugs, Pornography and Premarital Relationships
05 Oct	Ustaz Firdaus Yahya	Scientific Miracles of The Quran
11 Oct	Ustazah Nadia Hanim	The Angel and Demon in Us
08 Nov		Quran & Islamic Philosophy of Life (Mandarin)
09 Nov	Ustaz Abdullah Shan	Hijrah - Being a Better Person (Mandarin)
10 Nov		Greatest Man: Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) (Mandarin)
15 Nov	Ustaz Mohd Kamal Mokhtar, Mr Mohammad Shahid Noor'ain & Ustaz Abdul Hakim Bin Ya'akob	Fatwa on Joint Tenancy
22 Nov	Ustaz Maulana MS Abdul Kaiyoom	The Believers are Brothers (Tamil)

RAMADHAN TALKS

Weekly talks were organised on Saturday evenings during the month of Ramadhan to aid our new Convert brothers and sisters towards understanding and appreciating the religion as well as the blessings of Ramadhan.

Date	Speaker	Topic
11 May	Ustazah Shameem Sultanah	Maximizing Deeds in Ramadhan
18 May	Ustazah Bushra Habibullah	Essence of Ramadan: Compassion
25 May	Ustaz Fadhlullah Daud	Virtues of the Night of Decree

WORKSHOPS

The Significance of Eid-ul Adha by Ustaz Taufiq Majeed

02 August

Ustaz Taufiq Majeed conducted a 1.5 hours workshop especially for to highlight the significance of Eid-ul Adha – The Greater Eid. Where Muslims from around the world participate in Qurban (sacrificial offerings).

Digital Content workshop by Mr. Aiman Azlan

28 September

Aiman Azlan guided the participants on the theories of digital content and followed through the guidelines of creating a digital content for various projects. Participants were required to produce a digital content by end of the day.

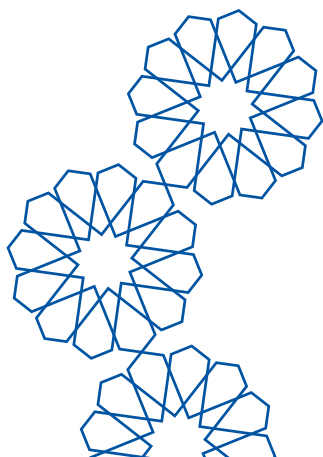
DA'WAH AWARENESS TRAINING PROGRAMME (DATP)

In its 4th year, Da'wah Awareness Training Programme (DATP) aimed to train and equip aspiring Da'wah volunteers, age 18 and above, with relevant knowledge and skills to present Islam responsibly and confidently to the world. Among the participants were Converts and local Mosque docents. Participants mastered Prophetic and Contemporary Da'wah techniques and developed effective ways to answer questions on Islam. They also had the opportunity to apply the acquired Da'wah skills during the practical training sessions.

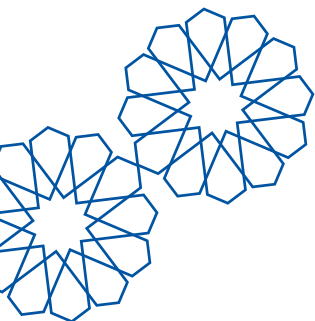
DATP Highlights

Twenty-two (22) participants from 2019 intake graduated on 30 November, with three students receiving the Most Dedicated Student Award and five students receiving the Most Passionate Docent Award.

Participants applied the acquired Da'wah skills during practical sessions, on 13 April and 24 August, at Abdul Ghafoor Mosque and Jamae Chulia Mosque respectively, by raising the awareness of the Mosque visitors about Islam. On 12 October, participants visited the Jain Religious Society as part of an interfaith visit. They were treated to a presentation on the religion's tenets and practices and were given a tour of the premises.



Programme Calendar



Date	Trainer/Facilitator	Module
26 Jan	Harmony Centre Docents, and MCAS staff	Learning Journey to Harmony Centre and DATP Orientation
23 Feb	Ustaz Fizar Zainal	Da'wah Techniques & Approaches
31 Mar	Ustaz Fadhlullah Daud	Da'wah Methodology & Constitution Appreciation
13 Apr	Bro Junaidi, Ustazah Bushra & Abdul Gaffoor Mosque Docents	Awareness Through Mosque Tour (ATMT), Communities of Practice & Field Practice 1
25 May	Ustaz Md Khalid Rafi	Prophetic History
29 Jun	Bro Hamzah Zainal Abidin	Arrival of Islam in Southeast Asia
27 Jul	Ustazah Shameem Sultanah Abdul Gaffoor	Intra-faith Da'wah
24 Aug	Bro Junaidi, Ustazah Bushra & Ustaz Haniff from Jamae Chulia Mosque	Awareness Through Mosque Tour (ATMT), Communities of Practice & Field Practice 2
20 Sep	Dr Muhd Mubarak	Misconceptions Towards Islam
12 Oct	Jain Religious Society Docents & Ustazah Bushra	Communities of Practice 3 & Interfaith Visit
16 Nov	Bro Saleh O'Dempsey, Bro Imran Kuna, Bro Ariff Sultan	Study of Religions – Christianity, Hinduism & Buddhism
23 Nov	Mr Hijazi Sudarmaji	Presentation & Communication Skill Workshop
30 Nov	Griness and Docent Committee	DATP Alumni & Docent Gathering [DATP19 Graduation]

Beyond DATP

Several DATP participants also volunteered together with MCAS staff in community engagement activities to further hone their Da'wah skills.

- Year-round deployments as MCAS docents to welcome visitors to the premise and assist to their needs
- Volunteering at the Public Talks for 2019
- Opportunities to participate in Da'wah Division's activities such as roadshow during the Mendaki Learning Festival

New Initiatives

To create a community of docents, we have initiated an Annual Alumni Gathering for DATP Students/ Docents in November 2019 in which we provided a platform for strengthening ukhuwah and sharing best practices through team bonding games. A presentation of tokens of appreciation for our dedicated Docents and DATP students. This initiative will continue in subsequent years.



YOUTHS OF DARUL ARQAM (YODA)

Made up of youth volunteers from diverse backgrounds and ages, YODA aspires to bring together the youths in Singapore and engage them through various activities to develop their understanding of Islam. YODA's activities in 2019 were divided into three main categories: Arts & Linguistics, Personal Development, and Community Services & Outreach.

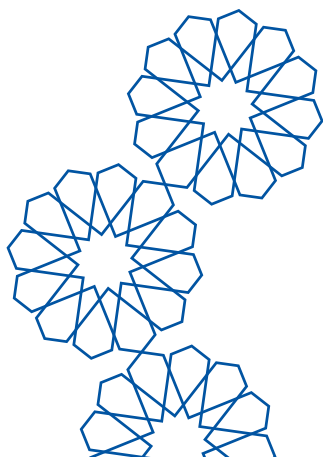
YODA was led by the youth volunteers in the Main Committee who advised other YODA events sub-committees:

Chairperson:	Muhammad Zafir Bin Shamsulbahri
Vice-Chairperson:	Wan Siti Zulaikha Binte Rahmat
Secretary:	Khaliesah Binte Johari
Communications & Publicity:	Nur Shafiqah Binte Suhaimi & Nawwarah Hanis Binte Ghazali
Internal Relations:	Suhayl Bin Mohammad Salpai
External Relations:	Ahmad Muda'afi bin Zainuddin

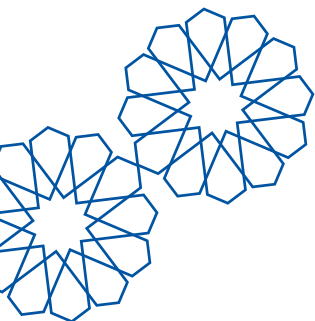
ARTS & LINGUISTICS

Dates	Activities
19 Jan – 20 Jan	YODA Main Committee Strategic Planning Retreat The Committee attended a leadership training module and participated in a strategic planning session for 2019.
09 Feb	YODA Housewarming and Recruitment An annual housewarming event was conducted to showcase various initiatives that will be rolled out in 2019.
28 Apr	"Re:Act" Spoken Word 2019 A Poetry Performance Event named "Re-Act" was held to engage youth by encouraging them to share their poetry pieces on social media issues.
25 May – 26 May	Yoda Ramadhan Youth Camp "Nafsi, Myself, The Journey Within" A 2 days – 1 night camp was organised during the last 10 nights of Ramadhan with the theme of "Nafsi: Myself", exploring the unique idea behind finding the identity of an individual.
31 Aug – 01 Sep	Singapore Muslim Youth Debate Camp 2019 In conjunction with our 10th year anniversary, the Singapore Muslim Youth Debate (SMYD) organized a 2-day camp for debaters who participated in SMYD 2019.
08 Sep – 13 Oct	The Singapore Muslim Youth Debate (SMYD) The Singapore Muslim Youth Debate is the only nationwide Muslim youth debate competition in English. SMYD aimed to forge a network of social interaction between youth groups across Muslim organisations and to engage youths in current affairs, in the region and globally.

SMYD 2019 was graced by Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Mr Baey Yam Keng.



ARTS & LINGUISTICS

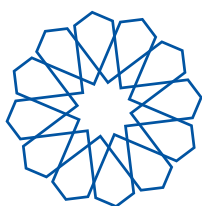


Dates	Activities
27 Sep	YODA10: Aiman Azlan Book Sharing. As we celebrate our 10th year, YODA organized a 3 days event-filled activities and hosted a Malaysian Youth Mentor, Mr. Aiman Azlan for the weekend. The book sharing session entitled "Unshakeable" saw a turnout of 60 participants.
28 Sep	YODA10: Digital Content Workshop A closed-door digital content workshop was organised for MCAS volunteers, docents, befrienders and teachers.
28 Sep	YODA10: Conver(t)sations An event was organised to allow converts to share and discuss their struggles and difficulties. Conver(t)sations aimed to understand the needs of our converts, by providing a safe space, through interaction that was moderated by Dr Rafi Rashid.
29 Sep	YODA10: Youth Forum and Talk show A full-day event which was moderated by Bro Firdaus Abdullah was held to engage youths. A forum entitled "From Ideas to Action" was organised, featuring Aiman Azlan and Ustaz Tarmizi Wahid, discussing the importance of building ideas and ways to execute ideas to reality and reflections from the prophetic history on success and failures. The second part of the event consisted of a talk show entitled "It Starts with You" featuring Ustaz Taufiq RNB and Sis Anna Belle Francis as the panellist and Mr Aiman Azlan as the moderator. The panellists covered the issues of identity crises among youth and then moved to the issues faced by converts when embracing Islam and reflections on prophetic tradition on embracing converts.
11 Nov	YODA10 Gathering In celebration of our milestones, YODA organised a reunion, consisting of past and present members over a soiree at Al-Qudwah Academy. The event was a success as over 40 members and alumni was in attendance.

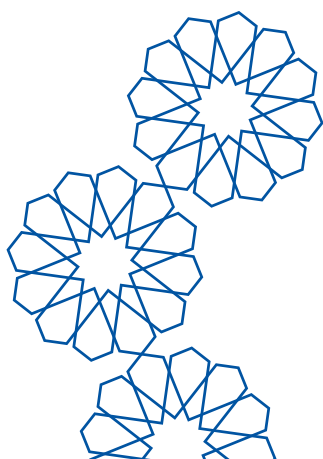
PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Dates	Activities
30 Mar	YODA Sparks! - Spoken Words Workshop Several initiatives were conducted under the banner of YODA SPARKS! A workshop was conducted by the previous winner of Spoken Word, Bro Saiful Anuar with the topic of theoretical and practical application of poetry.
27 Apr	YODA Sparks! – Eating Purposefully A second workshop was conducted to highlight the importance of eating healthy. Adopting the Sunnah of Rasulullah SAW, participants were taught on how to prepare a simple 5-minutes dish, using the Sunnah ingredients.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

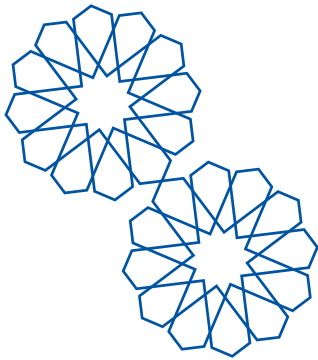


COMMUNITY SERVICES & OUTREACH



Dates	Activities
25 Aug	YODA Sparks! – Songs of Presence In its effort to introduce Islamic spiritual music, YODA organized a workshop which gave participants an insight into Nasyid, Qasida, etc. Participants learnt about the history and evolution of nasyid, as well as the fundamentals of basic Nasyid. The workshop was facilitated by Ustaz Abdul Shukor and was attended by 30 participants.
28 Dec	YODA Da'wah Workshop The Youth Da'wah Workshop 2019 brought together an interactive yet insightful program to enliven the spirit of communal Da'wah. It instilled a contemporary approach to normalise the culture of Da'wah, debunk issues and build on the current initiatives with a progressive framework. Participants emulated the role of a Da'ie and leaders, addressing the needs of the Singapore Muslim Community in a Singapore context.
Dates	Activities
02 May	YODA Get2gather: Ramadhan Preparation Session An interactive session was organised for all YODA members, in preparation for Ramadhan. The session kicked off with tips for fasting and setting one's goals for Ramadhan. It was followed by recitation of Surah Al-Kahfi and a breakout session.
Saturdays in Ramadhan	Chairperson and Emcee for Ramadhan Talks YODA participants from previous events like Spoken Words and SMYD were invited to lead the Ramadhan talk as chairperson and emcee for the four Saturdays in Ramadhan.
01 Jun	MCAS Official Iftar 23 YODA volunteers helped every week with the preparation of Iftar volunteering as ushers, logistics and pantry officers.
22 Jun	YODA Get2gather: Eid Talks The committee welcomed the month of Shawal by organising an interactive sharing session cum Eid Open House. A total of 30 YODA members attended the event.
25 Aug	Qurban Drive 15 YODA volunteers participated in Qurban Drive as packers, ushers and road marshals.
21 Oct	International Conference on Cohesive Societies, ICCS, The Young Leaders meet up in Singapore 5 YODA members attended The Young Leaders meet-up by ICCS for a networking session with various youth leaders in Singapore to discuss issues and matters pertinent to the multi-religious society.

MOSQUE ROVING PROJECT (MRP)

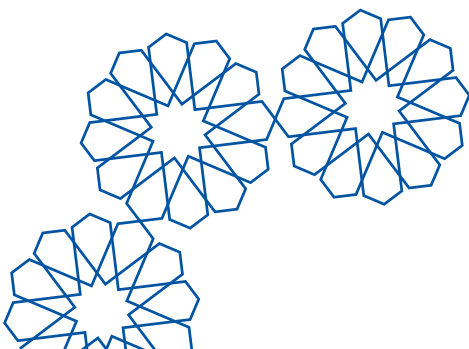


MRP was an initiative started in May 2017 with the main objective of getting the public to understand the role of MCAS and be more acquainted with the psyche of Converts. The public was exposed to the necessary knowledge to engage Converts effectively, with more compassion and understanding of their journey into Islam.

A pop-up booth with the title: Sharing Islam With You was placed in a strategic location in the mosque for Friday Prayers where topical brochures on Islam, MCAS classes, and volunteer opportunities were distributed. Free Publications on Islam were also displayed and distributed to the public.

The programme included a sharing of services that MCAS offered such as the “Knowing Islam Session (KIS)”, before the Friday congregation prayers. This was to inform the congregation about the importance of facilitating a Convert’s journey into Islam, and the role and services of MCAS.

Date	Location
25 Jan	Jamiyah Ar-Rabitah Mosque
08 Mar	Darul Makmur Mosque
12 Apr	Hajjah Rahimabi Mosque
03 May	Jamae Chulia Mosque
20 Jul	Al Iman Mosque (Racial Harmony Open House)
07 Sep	Mawaddah Mosque (Family Day Open House)
02 & 03 Nov	Mendaki Learning Festival 2019 @ Our Tampines Hub



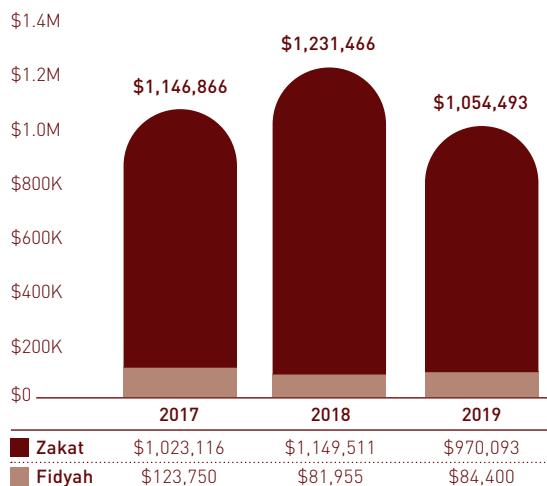


SOCIAL SUPPORT & WELFARE SERVICES



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DISBURSEMENT

MCAS is heartened by the continued trust of the Muslim community in our administration of the Zakat contributions. Through Zakat, MCAS was able to provide assistance to the low income families. MCAS disbursed \$1,054,493 to 1,268 recipients in 2019.



ZAKAT DISBURSEMENT IN RAMADHAN

The yearly Zakat Disbursement in Ramadhan was held on 26 May, benefitting 600 families, each receiving \$255 in cash and \$70 in NTUC vouchers. The Guest-of-Honour was Mr Amrin Amin, Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs & Ministry of Health. A total of \$195,000 was disbursed (\$153,000 from Zakat funds and \$42,000 from Fidyah).

BURSARY

A total of \$115,000 in bursary was awarded to fifty-four (54) eligible applicants. The award ceremony was held on 17 August.

LEGAL CLINIC

This was a service provided free to MCAS members and the public. A total of thirty-four (34) cases were handled in 2019. The clinic, administered by volunteer lawyers, was held on every first and third Saturdays of the month. The breakdown of the cases is as follows:

● Divorce	16
● Others	9
● Inheritance	9



COUNSELLING SERVICES

In 2019, Syari'ah Court (SYC) referred 234 cases to MCAS, of which 207 cases were closed, and 12 cases were brought forward to 2020. As of 2019, 60 walk-in counselling cases were attended in MCAS.

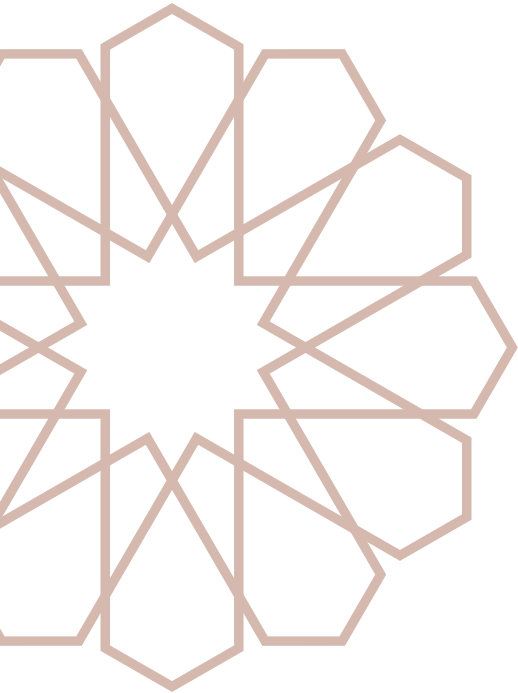
WORKSHOPS

A workshop entitled, "Staying Married Staying in Love" was conducted in 2019, with two sessions held in August and November. Two prominent speakers, Ustaz Muhammad Abu Sufian Hanafi and Ustazah Zarina Begam shared their expertise on issues that may arise in a marriage. Some of the topics discussed were how to manage one's role and managing each other's expectations in the marriage, benefits of mutual understanding on family values and the importance of financial planning.

A total of 22 couples benefitted from the workshop as they engage with the speakers during the interactive discussions and activities. The participants felt that the sessions helped them understand their spouses better and it has enhanced their realities of living with imperfections and recognising each other's strengths and weaknesses.

Date	Workshop
08 Aug & 23 Nov	Speakers: Ustaz Muhammad Abu Sufian Hanafi and Ustazah Zarina Begam Total Participant: 22 couples Topic: Staying Married Staying in Love

PROJECT REACHING OUT (PRO)

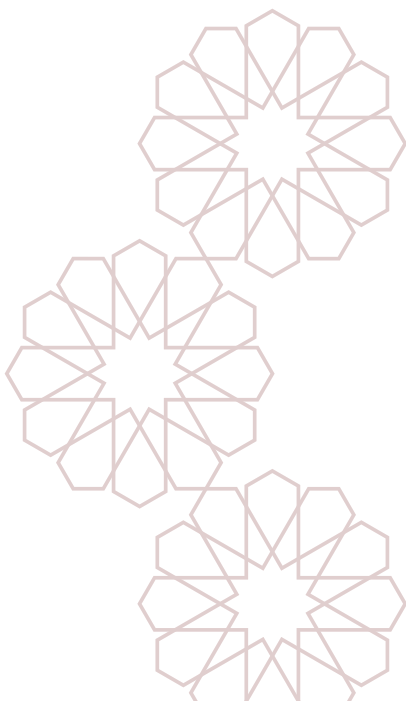


PRO was aimed to cement bonds with Financial Assistance (FA) Clients who were Converts by visiting them at home. These FA clients consisted of the elderly and chronically ill. There were two (2) cycles of home visits conducted in 2019 with an average of forty (40) homes per cycle.

During Ramadhan, volunteers organised a Ramadhan Briyani Charity Drive to facilitate a home visit and Iftar with 20 PRO clients. The objective of this event was to improve some of the clients' living condition by providing essentials. Twenty (20) volunteers, including ten (10) Converts were involved.

On 25 August 2019, PRO organized Qurban Meat Distribution Drive in collaboration with several Malay-Muslim Organisations to reach out to disadvantaged families. The Qurban meat was sponsored by Al-Falah Academy SG and Hezom International. An estimated 1,000 families benefited from this distribution.

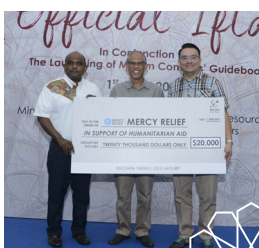
BOWLING TOURNAMENT

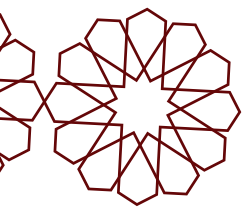


On 1st Dec 2019, our Multi-National Club (MNC) organised a Bowling tournament at Planet Bowl @ Tessensohn Road with the objective of bringing together members and their families. About 100 participants from the various clubs came for the competition, with about 60 converts in attendance.

Prizes for the well-deserving Teams and Individuals Category (1st, 2nd & 3rd) were presented by MCAS President, Bro Imran Kuna.

SOCIAL & RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES





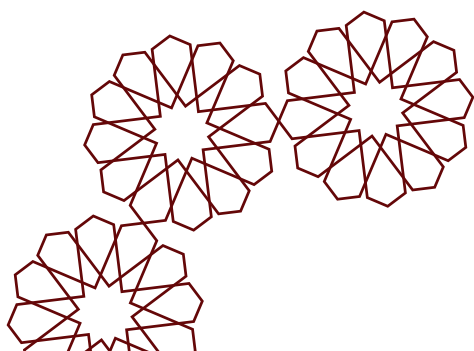
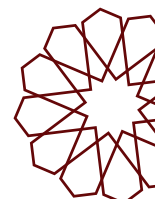
GUESTS

MCAS received **229 official visitors** in 2019, both overseas and local.

Date	Visitors	No
10 Jan	Yayasan Ikhlas	1
10 Jan	MTAEF Foundation	1
07 Feb	Mr Nopia Mappleston, Brisbane Muslim Fellowship	2
25 Feb	Pimpinan Wilayah Muhammadiyah Provinsi Riau	3
12 Mar	West Mosque Cluster	7
04 Apr	Assistant Minister for Rural Electricity, YB YB Datuk Dr. Haji Abdul Rahman Bin Haji Junaidi, Oversees the Muslim Affairs on behalf of the Chief Minister of Sarawak, Advisor to Majlis Agama Islam Sarawak	30
25 May	Nanyang MAEC	45
12 Jul	Madrasah Aljunied	80
15 Oct	Bina Hikmah	10
14 Nov	PPIS	5
22 Nov	Faculty of Islamic Studies, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia	45
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QURAN READING (TAHLIL)

The session comprised of the recitation of short verses from the Quran, Dzikrullah (remembrance of Allah) and Salawat (prayer for the Prophet Muhammad [peace be upon him]). It is hope that the merits of their prayers were accepted by Allah for the souls of the believers who had passed away. The session was carried out on every third Thursday of the month by Brother Mohamad Sameer who led the participants in recitation of Surah Yasin and Tahlil Du'a.



MONTHLY DISCUSSIONS

Monthly discussions were held for the Converts, members and non-Muslims in various languages. These discussions were conducted by volunteers and scholars who speak the particular languages and they were conducted on Sundays.

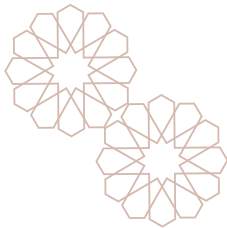
Language	Facilitator/Speaker	Sessions	Cycle
Filipino	Ustaz Syed Isa Alkaff	11	Every 2nd Sunday of the month
Tamil	Ustaz Abdul Malike & Ustaz Abdul Kaiyoom	10	Every 4th Sunday of the month
Mandarin	Ustaz Omar Ma & Others	10	Every 2nd Sunday of the month
Myanmar	Ustaz Jamal U Soe Thein & Ustazah Shameem Sultanah	10	Every 3rd Sunday of the month
Indonesia	Ustazah Shameem Sultanah	11	Every 1st Sunday of the month
European	Sister Maryam Helena Veen & Bro Bilal Guillaume	3	Quarterly

MCAS FAMILY DAY

MCAS Family Day was held on 3 March. The objective of the event was to unite all MCAS staff, members and volunteers to bond and mingle, in appreciation of their involvement with the Association. Most attendees were clad in traditional garments or national costumes.

The event which was attended by over 300 participants was held at the Heritage Chalet, located in Pasir Ris and the theme for the day was "Reliving the Kampung Spirit". Lots of traditional games and activities, as well as traditional food stations and drinks were offered, to reminisce the good ol' kampung days.

RAMADHAN ZAKAT DISBURSEMENT



(Above, Right)
Our three
beneficiaries who
did a sharing
session.

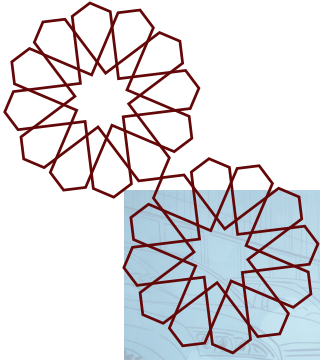
This annual ceremony was part of MCAS Fakir Miskin (Poor & Needy) programme. Every year in the month of Ramadhan, MCAS disburses its Zakat and Fidyah to help the poor and needy during the fasting month and for their preparation of the upcoming Eid-ul-Fitr celebration. MCAS Fakir Miskin programme extends to other months of the year and includes providing short-term monthly assistance to selected families with financial difficulties.

Held on 26 May, the event saw about 600 financial aid clients, where each of them received \$255 in cash, \$70 in NTUC Vouchers as well as a goodie bag valued at \$32.90 comprising of groceries items. The event was held over 2 sessions. The morning session was graced by Mr Amrin Amin, Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs & Ministry of Health. A total of \$195,000 was disbursed (\$153,000 from Zakat funds and \$42,000 from Fidyah).

The Zakat Disbursement ceremony this year was highlighted with a Sharing Session from our Zakat Beneficiaries.

Local media were invited to the Ramadhan Zakat Disbursement and we received coverage from Berita Harian published on 27 May 2019.





(Left)
President
Halimah
Yacob with
Qurban Drive
collaborators
and sponsors.



(Above) We set a new Singapore record
for having the Largest Convoy of Vehicles
Delivering Groceries for Charity.

(Top) President
Halimah Yacob
waving the flag
to commence
the start of
Qurban Drive
2019.



(Left) Our convoy of bikers ready to do
their part for charity.



QURBAN DRIVE

MCAS Qurban Drive was first launched in Year 2017. The objective is to create awareness on the significance of Qurban and the values that it instils, especially to MCAS Converts, as well as to promote the act of giving in celebration of Eid-ul Adha.

A total of 1,200kg Qurban meat were distributed to MCAS' Fakir Miskin clients. We are honoured to have President Halimah Yacob as our Guest-of-Honour as we collaborated with several Muslim organisations to reach out to these disadvantaged families. Forty (40) volunteers from our MNCs and twenty-five (25) DACCnDAYS teachers took part in the event.

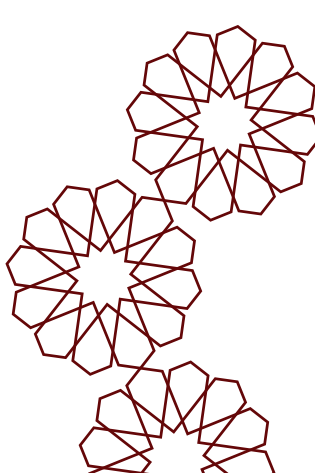
About 1,000 families benefited from this distribution. 80% of these beneficiaries are made up of recipients from participating organisations which comes under the category of Fakir Miskin/ Converts/ Elderly Aid. MCAS provided Qurban meat sponsored by Al-Falah Academy SG and Hezom International and Briyani from Ajmir Briyani. We hope to touch the hearts of the families and uplift their spirit this Eid-ul Adha, with the intention to strengthen the bond of our Muslim brothers and sisters.

Record Breaking Event

In delivering and promoting the spirit of giving on this day, MCAS has broken the record for the largest convoy of vehicles delivering groceries for charity in the Singapore Books of Records. The convoy consists of 142 vehicles, which are made up of 77 cars, 64 bikes and 1 lorry.



Collaborating Partners & Beneficiaries

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| 1 | PERGAS |
| 2 | Casa Raudha (Financial Assistance clients) |
| 3 | Muslim Counselling Services (Financial Assistance clients) |
| 4 | Muslim Kidney Action Association (Financial Assistance clients) |
| 5 | Majulah Community (families of incarcerated inmates) |
| 6 | Harun Ghani Education Fund (families of needy students) |
| 7 | Yayasan Mendaki (Financial Assistance clients) |
| 8 | Singapore Deaf Muslim Community (Financial Assistance clients) |
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MASS IFTAR

The four (4) mass iftars (break of fast) were held on Saturdays – 11, 18, 25 May and 1 June – during the month of Ramadhan. The attendance for every Iftar ranged between 500 and 600 guests. The Official Iftar was held on 1 June and it was well-attended by important guests from embassies and other organisations.

OFFICIAL IFTAR

MCAS Official Iftar was held on 1 June. The event was graced by Mr Masagoz Zulkifli, Minister for the Environment and Water Resources & Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs. Minister Masagos officiated the launch of MCAS new book - Muslim Converts' Guidebook, together with the Chief Executive of MUIS, Mr Esa Masood. Other guests included ambassadors from the various Consulates, representatives from several Muslim organisations as well as other invited dignitaries and guests. There was also a cheque presentation of \$20,000 to Mercy Relief in support of their humanitarian work.

Ustaz Muhd Syazwan Elrani gave a talk on the topic Reflections in Ramadan: The Journey After. He highlighted the significance of the blessed month and encouraged the audience to ponder and reflect on our faith, good deeds and experiences we've had and to continue striving beyond Ramadhan.

EID-UL-FITR CELEBRATION

Eid-ul-Fitr Celebration was held on 30 June. It was attended by close to 250 MCAS members and volunteers. The emcee for the day, Bro Firdaus Wong kicked off the event with a welcome speech, followed by performances from our multi-national clubs such as the Mabuhay Club, Myanmar Club and Indonesian Club. There were also games and quizzes to capture the spirit of Eid and to liven up the festival atmosphere.



OUR MEDIA OUTREACH

MAGAZINES & PUBLICATIONS



THE MUSLIM READER

The Muslim Reader (TMR) is MCAS flagship magazine which provides relevant information on fiqh, faith and spirituality to its readers. The magazine is printed annually and its targeted to new Muslims who wants to learn more about their faith, as well as to the English-speaking members of the Muslim community.

Loaded with beautiful colour photography of events which took place in the past year, the magazine also features articles from prominent scholars and writers, both local and internationally.

TMR was distributed to members of MCAS, to new Converts through the Conversion Kits, as well as to the participants of selected events and programmes. The 2019 edition was printed in December 2019 and mailed to active MCAS members in January 2020. The magazine is also accessible online at www.mcas.sg/the-muslim-reader. The 2020 edition of TMR is scheduled for release at the end of 2020.

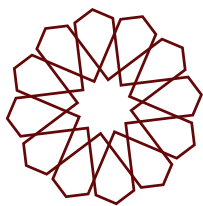
MCAS CALENDAR 2020

In conjunction with MCAS 40th Anniversary, a new approach was done for MCAS Calendar 2020.

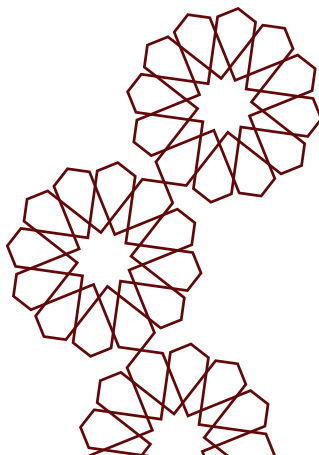


The new concept consisted of a set made up of 1x Wire 'O' Calendar, 1x Prayer Schedule, 1x Get Things Done Note Pad and 1x Notes Pad. These items will be shrink-wrapped and sold as a unit at the Bookshop. Our objective of this Limited-Edition Kit is to create value-add for our consumers and increase its marketability, in addition to marking our milestone. Calendar Kits will be on sale at MCAS Bookshop.

FREE PUBLICATIONS (FP)



AL-MAWRID RESOURCE CENTRE



The titles printed and procured in 2019 were:

No.	Titles
01.	Islamic Worldview
02.	Muhd Pocket Guide books (Burmese)
03.	Let's Pray Male and Female versions
04.	Understanding Islam (Mandarin)
05.	Muslim Beliefs by Dr. Jamal A. Badawi
06.	Introduction to Islam (Thai)
07.	Muqaddam Let's Recite the Quran – Tajwid Edition
08.	Muhd Pocket Guide books (English)
09.	Muhd Pocket Guide books (Mandarin)
10.	Muhd Pocket Guide books (Burmese)
11.	Understanding Islam (English)
12.	Splendours of Islam by Shaik Kadir
13.	Islamic Propagation Society International (IPSI)'s Learn the Basics' series of pamphlets
14.	Monotheism by Dr. Jamal A. Badawi
15.	Prophethood by Dr. Jamal A. Badawi
16.	Quran Translation in Japanese
17.	Muhd Pocket Guide books (Tamil)

Al-Mawrid Resource Centre recorded 604 visitors throughout 2019. In addition to being the only Islamic library and resource centre available to the public in Singapore, Al-Mawrid had promoted learning among Converts and Muslims at large by conducting the following activities:

Date	Event Name	Participants
10 Feb	Islamic Geometry Course 2019 Conducted by Ustazah Nur Fathiah	25
01 Mar	Islam & Art Workshop: An Appreciation of Nature Conducted by Bro Dzulkarnaen	32
27 Sep	Book Sharing Session A book sharing on Aiman Azlan's bestseller "Unshakeable: How to Be Confident When You're Nervous".	60
07 Apr	Al-Mawrid Academic Series: Quran & the History of Man Speaker: Ustaz Dr Firdaus Yahya & Bro Saleh O'Dempsey	100

CITY CORNER PROJECT (CCP)

The City Corner Project was aimed at making MCAS' free Islamic brochures and literature available to the public at locations where non-Muslims, including tourists, might frequent. To reach out deeper into the heartlands of Singapore, new locations including satellite mosques, were added. The publications could also be helpful for the born Muslims who wished to return to Islam or upgrade their knowledge of the religion.

The new addition in 2019 to this project were: Yi Zun Beef Noodle and Serangoon Air Travel.

No.	City Corner	Address
01.	Abdul Gaffoor Mosque	41 Dunlop Street
02.	Ahmad Barber Shop	137 Teck Whye Lane, #01-329
03.	Al-Falah Mosque	22 Bideford Road, #01-01
04.	Bijan Restaurant	511 Guillemard Rd, #B1-02
05.	Harmony Centre	9A Bishan Street 14
06.	Jamae Chulia Mosque	218 South Bridge Road
07.	Malabar Mosque	471 Victoria Street
08.	Pristine Dentalworks	18 Jalan Masjid, #01-07, Kembangan Plaza
09.	Ratu Lemper	16 Baghdad Street
10.	Yi Zun Beef Noodle	45 Sam Leong Road
11.	Yi Zun Beef Noodle	60 Joo Chiat Road, #01-08/09, Champion Hotel
12.	Yi Zun Beef Noodle	3 Simei Street 6, #01-20, East Point Mall
13.	Zams Clinic	516 Choa Chu Kang Street 51, #01-66
14.	Serangoon Air Travel Pte Ltd	48 Serangoon Road, #01-69, Little India Arcade

SOCIAL MEDIA FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM



Posting on our social media are done frequently to promote classes, workshops, events, the English Islamic bookshop, etc. We run mini campaigns on instagram to promote an event, to celebrate certain occasions or to promote our DACCnDAYS new intake (see photo on left). In addition, we also engage with our followers by providing them useful and bite-sized information as seen below, on Conditions of Zakat.



In 2019, we have had about **182 posters published**.

As of December 2019, there were about **4647 followers subscribed** to our Instagram page and **23,706 followers on Facebook**. Our social media can be found via these links:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/darularqam.sg

Instagram: [@darularqamsg](https://www.instagram.com/darularqamsg)

Website: www.mcas.sg

HONORARIA TO COUNCIL MEMBERS

Honoraria was paid to Council Members as reimbursement for out of pocket expenses incurred such as transport, meals, materials, etc for their services rendered in teaching, duties as registrar or evaluator, counselling, etc. The following are the names of Council Members who received honoraria and the sums received in 2019.

No.	Name	Division	Course	Total S\$
01.	Muhammad Imran Kuna Bin Abdullah (All proceeds were donated to MCAS)	CDD	Registrar	180
02.	Foo Eng Yoong @ Adam Foo	CDD	Registrar	180
			Chinese MNC	50
03.	Danial Chung @ Chung Yow Min	CDD	Registrar	90
04.	Dr Muhammad Mubarak Bin Habib Mohamed	ED	99 Beautiful Names of Allah	1,080
			FIQS	144
			FIRST	944
			Sirah Mod 1 - Relief	72
			Fiqh Mod 3 - Relief	72
			The Principles of Creed	1,368
			DATP Misconception in Islam	525

OUR VOLUNTEERS

We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to all volunteers who have dedicated their time and effort in our activities. May Allah (SWT) reward you and your family for the kind contributions.

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Muhammad Hafiizhuddiin Bin Khamis / Muhammad Hafizuddin Bin Saini / Muhammad Hamizan Bin Abdul Ghani / Muhammad Hanif Bin Mohamed Hamdan / Muhammad Hazim Bin Mohamed Hisham / Muhammad Huzaifah Bin Abdul Raub / Muhammad Ilyas Bin Abdul Raub / Muhammad Imran Kuna Abdullah / Muhammad Indra / Muhammad Indra Irawan / Muhammad Iqbal Solihin Bin Ja'afar / Muhammad Irfan Bin Fitri / Muhammad Isyraq Bin Abdul Aziz / Muhammad Izzan Bin Zurin / Muhammad Jalaluddeen s/o Saukat Ali / Muhammad Jauhar Bin Abdul Halim / Muhammad Mahyuddin Bin Mansor / Muhammad Mubarak Habib Mohd (Dr) / Muhammad Munawwar Bin Zulkifli / Muhammad Naufal Bin Mohamed Sallehin / Muhammad Noor Irsyad Bin Azhari / Muhammad Noorhakim Bin Mohamed Sukandar / Muhammad Shakir / Muhammad Syabil Bin Suhaimi / Muhammad Syafi'ie Bin Selamat / Muhammad Syafiq Bin Mohamed Elyas / Muhammad Tarmizi Abdul Wahid / Muhammad Taufiq Bin Abdul Majeed / Muhammad Waliyuddin Bin Ahmad Kamal / Muhammad Zafir Shamsulbahri / Muhammad Zulfikar Bin Iskandar / Muhammad Zulkifli Bin Mohammad Noh / Muhd Fadhli Khairudin / Muhd Haderullah / Muhsin Bin Ismail / Mustafa Bin Abdul Kadir / Naasiha Bte Reduan / Nadhar / Nadia Hanim Abdul Rahman / Nadia Khan / Nadya Salyriana Bte Mohamed Sallehin / Nailul Hafiz Bin Abdul Rahim / Najib Bin Muhamed / Nasiruddin Bin Hussien / Nasyatul Fikhriah Bte Muhammad Fakhrurrazi / Nawwarah Hanis Bte Mohd Ghazali / Nazeera Mohamed / Nazihah M. Pauzi / Neeta Puri d/o Guruday @ Zaraa' Abdullah / Ng Keng Khong @ Saleem Ng / Noman Raihan / Noor Adyanti Adanan / Noor Aini Bte Redwan / Noorainy Bte Saleh / Nor Aini Ayoub / Noridah Bte Mohd Salleh / Noridah Hassan / Normah Eunus / Norrah Binte Latip / Nur Amalina Bte Abdul Malek / Nur Azlina Sugaya / Nur Ellina Lim / Nur Fadila Bte Azman @ Gan Mei Shyan / Nur Fathiah Bte A'Bdussamad / Nur Fitrah Teng / Nur Hafeizah Bte Abdul Razak / Nur Hani Nasir / Nur Hazirah Azizi Bte Fisabil / Nur Hidayah Ong / Nur Izzah Nabilah / Nur Kamila Bte Mohd Hatim / Nur Sakinah Bte Akbar Ali / Nur Shafiqah Suhaimi / Nur Syafiqah Ahmad Fauzi / Nur Syahirah Hamzah / Nur Syakirah Bte Shaik Mohd Abdul Jabber / Nur Zhohirah / Nurafiqah Bte Ismadi / Nur'Ain Azmi / Nurazimah Bte Kassim / Nurfarhan Bin Yunus / Nurhidayah Abd Angeles / Nurhidayah Bte Abdullah / Nurjannah Bte Kamal / Nurul 'Afifah Bte Roslim / Nurul Imani Debuque / Nurulhuda Ibrahim / Omar Sekkat / Ong Siti Nadiah / Phone Myint Naing @ Mohd Yusof / Pok Soon Choo @ Nur Azilah Pok Bte Abdullah / Qurratu'aini Zainuddin / Rabiah Amir / Rabiatal Adawiyah / Rafi Rashid (Dr) / Rahayu Bte Ellias Rahimah / Ramesh s/o M Kannan @ Muhammad Shakir / Ramzeen Dalkhan Shameer / Rasyiqah Athirah Bte Mohd Rashid / Ratnah Hamzah / Razees Abdul Karim / Razif Ansari / Rehana Bte Peer Mohammad / Ridzuan Wu Chia Chung / Rohaizat Bin Rosdi / Rohana Eusoff / Rohanee Bte Abdul Hamid / Rohani Abdullah / Rohani Bte Hussein / Rosaini Sulaiman / Rosnani Bte Amir / Rusydah Bte Eusope / Sabariah Zainal / Saedah Abdullah / Safiaton Alias / Salbiah Bte Ibrahim / Saleh O'Dempsey / Salmiah Sayadi / Samuel Tay Abdullah / Sarifah Hussin / Sarina Bte Rauwi / Selvasingam s/o Ganapathi @ Sharukh Abdullah / Serafina Muhammad Isa / Shafie Bin Abu Bakar / Shahinaaz Begum / Shaik Md Ismail / Shaikh Mohammad Arif / Shaniee Ranizeen / Sharifah Aloyah Syed Ahmad / Sharifah Hamidah Syed Abdullah Bahashwan / Sharifah Haslinda / Sharifah Khadijah Hanim Aljunied / Sharifah Rashidah Bte Ahmad / Sharifah Rugaiyah / Shariffa Kadir Bee / Sharon Ain Abdullah / Sharulisah Bte Sapiee / Sheikh Mohamad Farouq s/o Abdul Fareez / Shifa' Solihah Bte Azman / Shoeb Lakdawala / Shuraim Basir / Sia Jingyun Erna Sharida / Siti Khairunnisa Rahmad / Siti Maisarah Suhaimi / Siti Nooraishah Bte Sahud / Siti Nurfaizah Bte Mahat / Siti Nurhudah Bte Mohd Amin / Siti Saidah Bte Mohamad Said / Siti Salwa Iryani Bte Salam / Siti Zaleha Bte Ahmad / Siti Zubaidah Bte Abdul Muttalib / Sufyan Tsurri Bin Chik Latif / Suhaily Bte Ahmat Samsi / Suhayl Bin Mohd Salpai / Sumarlina Azzah Bte Suleiman / Surayya Shahri / Suresh Abdullah / Suriani Bte Ishak / Syaaban s/o Isaahak Piperdy / Syahada Bte Bachik / Syahirah Bte Abdul Latip / Syed Bad'r Khan s/o Syed Azees Khan / Syed Naufal Bin Hamid Al-Edrus / Umar / Umar Siraj Bin Noor Bakor Sharbini / Ummu Kulthum Bte Abdul Rahim / Uwais Hatta / Veen Helena Marie @ Maryam Veen / Wan Siti Zulaikha / Wan Siti Zulaikha Rahmat / Wong Sai Fung @ Iman Abdullah / Wong Yen Fang @ Nooreen Wong / Yasmin Zuleikha / Yee Chin Hong / Zaid Bin Ghazali / Zainal Muttakin / Zainon / Zainon Bte A. Hamid / Zakiah Amirah Abdul Mukti / Zalian Mohamed / Zarina Begum Bte Abdul Razak / Zarinah Celedonio / Zerina Bte Gulab Khan / Zin Bo Aung / Zubaidah Bte Dadlani / Zubaidah Mohd / Zulaikha Bte Mohd Salleh / Zuraidah Bte Daud / Zuraidah Caoile / Zuraidah Daud

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