

# Database of Sanad holders in the Quran

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#### SYSTEM OF TRANSLITERATION

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2	ب	Ь	18	ع	(
3	ij	t	19	غ ف	gh
4	()	th	20	ف	f
5	ج	j	21	ق	q
6	ح	ķ	22	غ	k
7	<u>ح</u> خ	kh	23	J	1
8	٦	d	24	م	m
9	٦.	dh	25	ن	n
10	٦	r	26	æ	h
11	ن	Z	27	و	W
12	س	S	28	<i>ي</i> اَ	y
13	ش	sh	29		ā
14	ص	Ş	30	ِيْ	ī
15	س ش ص ض	ģ	31	ِيْ ُوْ أَيْ أَوْ	Ū
16	ط	ţ	32	أَيْ	Ay
			33	اًؤ	Ou

N.B. Arabic words are italicised except in four instances:

- 1- When possessing a current English usage.
- 2- When part of a heading.
- 3- When the proper names of humans.
- 4- When appearing in diagrams or quotations.

N.B. The sign for [ $^{i}$ ] which is [ $^{i}$ ] will be omitted when the former appears at the beginning of a word.

#### Al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences

#### **VISION**

Creating a holistic scholar of the Qur'ān, ultimately loving the Eternal Word of Allah, al-Qur'ān. In the words of 'Abd Allah ibn Mas'ūd 💩:

"For if he loves the Qur'an, then surely he loves Allah and His Messenger."

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- Teaching the correct recitation of the Qur'ān, with *Tajwīd*.
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- Understanding the Qur'ān.
- Aspiring to live the Qur'ān.
- Proliferation of Qur'ānic Sciences.

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Al-Tanzīl offers a uniquely devised training-course which aims to enhance students - specifically huffath - reciters and all ardent learners or Qur'ān lovers in all aspects of Qur'ānic study.

This course provides the student with understanding of the Arabic language, allowing him to grasp this communiqué, al-Qur'ān. It will also offer in-depth discussions on *Tajwīd* and *Qirā'āt*, utilising classical works while comparing it with contemporary studies.

*Ulum al-Qur'ān* is one of the pivotal subjects introduced so that students may understand basic and necessary facts about the Qur'ān: when certain verses were revealed, why they were revealed, how the Qur'ān was revealed, compiled, the history of *Qirā'āt*, etc.

The program allows students to study various specialised texts in the field of *Qirā'āt* and *Tajwīd*, the likes of the *Tuḥfah*, the *Jazariyyah* and ultimately the *Shāṭibiyyah* as well as the Seven, Ten and Fourteen *Qirā'āt*.

*Sanads* and *ijazāt* are issued to students who have successfully fulfilled the necessary requirements and achieved satisfactory results. *Ijazāt* are not restricted to the Qur'ān, but to all the texts and books taught in the course.

#### Reasons for a database

Looking at our short span of 300 years in the Cape, the lives of many of our scholars are lost to the present generation, not mentioning those to come. The famous Sheikh Ṣāliḥ 'Abādī is an excellent example. His name has become synonymous with the Qur'ān here in the Cape, yet how many know the name of his teacher?

Sheikh Muḥammad Yūsuf Booley passed a few years ago, but many of his students are ignorant to the name of his teacher.

This database will be a record for future generations, so that every scholar of the Qur'ān — teacher and student alike — is well documented. The aim being that there is no uncertainties regarding their existence, their accomplishments, their teachers or students.

Though oblivious to many, one would find the following in the sanads of the qurra?

- 1. Unknown figures in the *sanads* of the *qurrā*'e.g. Mullā 'Ali al-Qāri says that his teacher read to the famous imam of the Haram in Mecca during his time, Sheikh 'Umar al-Yemenī al-Shawāfī. Though al-Qāri regards him as a famous figure in addition to him being the imam of the Haram in Mecca, no biographical sources mention anything regarding this imam.
- 2. Uncertainties in the links e.g. Sheikh Ṣāliḥ al-ʿUsaymī argues that ʿAli ibn Ghānim al-Maqdisī did not read to Muḥammad ibn Ibrāhīm al-Samadīsī as mentioned in many *ijāzāt* but actually read to ʿAbd al-Ḥaqq al-Sumbāṭī.
- 3. Uncertainties as regards to what was read by a student to his teacher e.g. did 'Abd al-Raḥmān al-Yemenī read the 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Ṭayyibah* to Ibn Ghānim, or did he read the 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Durrah*. Though this might seem insignificant to the untrained, the consequences are great.
- 4. Sparse information regarding a link, even though the figures are prominent e.g. Ibrāhīm al-ʿUbaydī which appears in the *sanads* of the *qurrā*' from Egypt, Syria, India and Pakistan. Biographical sources hold little information about his life.

This database is a record of all present-day teachers and students of the Qur'ān in the Cape. It clarifies their names, the names of their parents, their teachers, students and accomplishments, leaving very little to speculation for later generations. For this reason, all information gathered has been directly from those profiled.

The database is updated annually.

#### About the database

- Profiles are arranged alphabetically.
- Information mentioned in the profiles was taken directly from the profiled.
- An asterisk (\*) appearing next to a name in the content page indicates that the profile has not been updated by their respective sanad-holder.
- Names which have (N) next to them in the content page are new sanadholders who have been added to the database for the current year.
- Only individuals who have memorised the entire Qur'ān are included in the database.
- When individuals potentially qualify but do not appear in the database, this is
  due to failure to produce the requisite ijāzāt by the time of publication.
- Individuals who have received *ijāzah* in some books of *Tajwīd* or *Qirā'āt*, and have not yet received *ijāzah* in a narration of the Qur'ān, are not included.
- In Cape Town, due to its cultural diversity, common names like Muḥammad
  are spelt in several different ways. For the sake of uniformity, their names are
  kept according to the Arabic transliteration, though leniency is shown in
  surnames.
- Dates are according to the Gregorian calendar and in certain cases had to be converted from Hijri dates. When a name appears undated, this is either because it is unknown or because the profiled is still alive.
- Individuals will only be added as students if they have completed their memorisation of the Qur'ān by a teacher or if they received *ijāzah* from him in a narration.

#### Some Statistics 2012/2013

- On record there are 54 people who have *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the Qur'ān.
- 40 are males, and 14 are females.
- Five completed the Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*:
  - 1. Iḥsān Davids.
  - 2. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 3. Muhammad Salīm Gaibie.
  - 4. Sālim Peck.
  - Zahīr Kamaldien.
- Three completed the 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrah*.
  - 1. Iḥsān Davids.
  - 2. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 3. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
- Two completed the 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 1. Ihsān Davids.
  - 2. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
- One completed the Four Shādh Qirā'āt:
  - 1. Muhammad Salīm Gaibie.
- 24 have *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- 20 have *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the *Jazariyyah*.
- Three have sanad and ijāzah for the text of the Shāṭibiyyah:
  - 1. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 2. Ismā'īl Londt.
  - 3. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.

#### Some Statistics 2013/2014

- On record there are 67 people who have *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the Qur'ān.
- 52 are males, and 15 are females.
- Six completed the Seven *Qirā'āt* (*Sab'ah*) via the *Shāṭibiyyah*:
  - 1. Ihsān Davids.
  - 2. I'jāz Muqaddam.
  - 3. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 4. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
  - 5. Sālim Peck.
  - 6. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- Five completed the Ten Qirā'āt ('Asharah Ṣughrā) via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah:
  - 1. Iḥsān Davids.
  - 2. I'jāz Muqaddam.
  - 3. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 4. Muhammad Salīm Gaibie.
  - 5. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- Two completed the Ten *Qirā'āt* (*'Asharah Kubrā*) via the *Ṭayyibah*:
  - 1. Ihsān Davids.
  - 2. Muhammad Salīm Gaibie.
- Two completed the Four Shādh Qirā'āt:
  - 1. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
  - 2. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- 34 have *ijāzah* for the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- 26 have sanad and ijāzah for the Jazariyyah.
- Five have *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the text of the *Shāṭibiyyah*:
  - 1. 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.
  - 2. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 3. Ismāʿīl Londt.
  - 4. Muhammad Salīm Gaibie.
  - Zahīr Kamaldien.

#### Some Statistics 2014/2015

- On record there are 81 people who have *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the Qur'ān.
- 66 are males, and 15 are females.
- Eight completed the Seven *Qirā'āt* (*Sab'ah*) via the *Shāṭibiyyah*:
  - 1. 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.
  - 2. Ihsān Davids.
  - 3. I'jāz Muqaddam.
  - 4. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 5. Muhammad Salīm Gaibie.
  - 6. Sālim Peck.
  - 7. Shākir Davids.
  - 8. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- Seven completed the Ten *Qirā'āt* (*'Asharah Ṣughrā*) via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrah*:
  - 1. 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.
  - 2. Iḥsān Davids.
  - 3. I'jāz Muqaddam.
  - 4. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 5. Muhammad Salīm Gaibie.
  - 6. Shākir Davids.
  - 7. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- Three completed the Ten *Qirā'āt* (*'Asharah Kubrā*) via the *Ṭayyibah*:
  - 1. Ihsān Davids.
  - 2. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 3. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
- Two completed the Four Shādh Qirā'āt:
  - 1. Muhammad Salīm Gaibie.
  - Zahīr Kamaldien.

- Five have *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the text of the *Shāṭibiyyah*:
  - 1. 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.
  - 2. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 3. Ismāʿīl Londt.
  - 4. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
  - 5. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- 42 have *ijāzah* for the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- 30 have *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the *Jazariyyah*.
- This year there are 14 new sanad holders that have been added to the database. No new females have qualified to enter the database. All new sanad-holders are males.

#### Some Statistics 2015/2016

- On record there are 98 people who have *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the Qur'ān.
- 82 are males, and 16 are females.
- 15 completed the Seven *Qirā'āt* (*Sab'ah*) via the *Shāṭibiyyah*:
  - 1. 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.
  - 2. 'Abd Allah Petersen.
  - 3. Afdal Hatia.
  - 4. Ibrāhīm Darries
  - 5. Ihsān Davids.
  - 6. Ihsan Smith.
  - 7. I'jāz Muqaddam.
  - 8. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 9. Luqmān Ben.
  - 10. Muḥammad 'Alawī Alexander.
  - 11. Muhammad Salīm Gaibie.
  - 12. Mustaqīm Paulse.
  - 13. Sālim Peck.
  - 14. Shākir Davids.
  - 15. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- 12 completed the Ten *Qirā'āt* (*'Asharah Ṣughrā*) via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrah*:
  - 1. 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.
  - 2. Afdal Hatia.
  - 3. Ibrāhīm Darries.
  - 4. Ihsān Davids.
  - 5. Iḥsān Smith.
  - 6. I'jāz Muqaddam.
  - 7. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 8. Luqmān Ben.
  - 9. Muhammad Salīm Gaibie.

- 10. Mustaqīm Paulse.
- 11. Shākir Davids.
- 12. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- Four completed the Ten *Qirā'āt* (*'Asharah Kubrā*) via the *Ṭayyibah*:
  - 1. Iḥsān Davids.
  - 2. Iḥsān Smith.
  - 3. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 4. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
- Three completed the Four Shādhdh Qirā'āt:
  - 1. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
  - 2. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
  - 3. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- This year there are 17 new sanad holders that have been added to the database; 16 males and one female.

#### Sanad and Ijāzah

Isnād comes from the Arabic word sanad, which literally means "support" or "prop". Technically, it is a chain of authorities who transmit a saying, an action, or an implicit approval of the Prophet of Allah , his Companions or the Successors . The reliability of this list or chain of authorities determines the validity of what is being reported.

In relation to the Qur'ān, or books of *Qirā'āt* and *Tajwīd*, a *sanad* is a chain of scholarly lineage, which goes back to the source of what is being transmitted. In the case of the Qur'ān, it will go back to the Prophet , and ultimately to Allah , while in the case of texts, it will go back to the author.

An *ijāzah* is an Islamic certificate which indicates that one has been authorised by a higher authority to transmit a certain subject or text of Islamic knowledge. This usually implies that the student has studied the subject or text through face-to-face interaction "at the feet" of the teacher.

It is possible for a teacher to give a student *ijāzah* without a *sanad*. This *ijāzah* serves as a certificate (*shahādah*), and is commonly awarded by Islamic universities to their graduates. The receiving of a *sanad*, on the other hand, automatically renders its recipient with an *ijāzah*, and is a personal certification rather than an institutionalised one.

#### Brief History of Sanad and Ijāzah

The system of *isnād* dates back to the time of the Prophet , and is unique to the community of Islam. It was used by the Companions when they transmitted the words, actions, or implicit approvals of the Prophet in a manner which indicated that they received it directly from him , or via an intermediary. Sheikh Muhammad Mustafā al-A-thamī explains the *isnād* system as follows:

Consider this simple statement: A drank some water from a cup while standing. We know of this person's existence, but to verify this statement's truth based on reason is impossible. Perhaps A did not drink the water at all, or drank it by cupping his hands, or while sitting; none of these possibilities can be excluded by deduction. So the case hinges on the truthfulness of the narrator and his accuracy as an observer. Thus C, a newcomer who has not seen this incident, must rely for his information on the eyewitness account of B. In reporting this event to others C must then specify his source, so that the statement's veracity depends on:

- 1. *B*'s accuracy in observing the incident, and his truthfulness in reporting it.
- 2. *C*'s accuracy in comprehending the information, and his own truthfulness in reporting it.

Venturing into the personal lives of B and C would not generally interest the critic or the historian, but Muslim scholars viewed the subject differently. In their opinion anyone making statements about A was testifying, or bearing witness, to what A had done; likewise C was bearing witness to B's account, and so on with each person testifying about the preceding narrator in the chain. Validating this report meant a critical examination of each element within this chain. This method was the genesis of the isnād system.

Originating during the Prophet's lifetime and developing into a proper science by the end of the first century A.H., its foundations lay in the Companions' custom of relating *hadīths* to each other. Some of them made

arrangements to attend the Prophet's circle in shifts, informing the others of what they had seen or heard; in doing so they must naturally have said, "The Prophet did so and so" or "The Prophet said so and so". It is also natural that anyone gaining such second-hand information, in reporting to a third person, would disclose his original source along with a full account of the incident.

During the fourth decade of the Islamic calendar these rudimentary phrases acquired importance because of the *fitna* (disturbance/revolt against the third Caliph `Uthmān, who was assassinated in 35 A.H.) raging at the time. They served as a precautionary step for scholars who, becoming cautious, insisted on scrutinising the sources of all information. Ibn Sīrīn says, "Scholars did not inquire about *isnād* [initially], but when the *fītna* broke out they demanded, 'Name us your men [i.e. the *hadīths* narrators]'. As for those who belonged to *ahl as-sunna*, their *hadīths* were accepted and as for those who were innovators, their *hadīths* were cast aside."

This statement gives the impression that the isnād were used even before the fitnah, but the narrators were not so particular in applying it. Sometimes they employed it and, at others, neglected it; but, after the civil war, they became more cautious and began to inquire about the sources of information and scrutinise them. At the end of the first century the science of the isnād was fully developed.<sup>2</sup>

The *isnād* was so successful in safeguarding *ahādīth* that it was applied to texts in all other sciences, such as law, literature, history, theology, and so forth. Today, texts of *Tajwīd*, *Qirā'āt*, *Tafsīr* [Qur'ānic exegesis], Hadith [prophetic traditions], *Fiqh* [Islāmic positive law], *Uṣūl* [legal theory], *Touḥīd* [Islamic creed], *Balāghah* [Arabic

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The History of the Qurānic Text pg. 167, and Studies in Early Hadīth Literature 212, both by Muṣṭafā Aʻthamī. See also Introduction to Sahīh Muslim.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Studies in Early Hadīth Literature pg. 213.

rhetoric], Sarf [etymology of the Arabic language] and many other sciences are transmitted via an uninterrupted chain of narrators. Even though the system of isnād was extensively used in ascertaining the validity of Hadith, it was also applied to the Qur'an to a lesser degree, since the Qur'anic text was stable and established with all its Qirā'āt, as well as memorised by countless huffath. Thus the possibility of someone fabricating verses of the Qur'an was practically impossible.

Ibn al-Jazarī relates that since an authentic sanad is one of the criteria for the authentication of a Qirā'ah, it is necessary that the scholars of Qirā'āt are identified like the scholars of Hadith are identified.<sup>3</sup>

The following reports indicate how the *isnād* system was used for the Qur'ān:

af once asked his teacher, A im, why his reading differed to what he taught Shu bah. Ā im replied: "That which I teach you is what I read to Abū Abd al-Ra mān al-Sulamī, according to what he read to Ali &, from the Prophet &, and that which I teach Shu bah is what I read to Zirr ibn ubaysh, according to what he read to Abd Allah ibn Mas ūd 🚓, from the Prophet 🐞."4

Similarly, it is reported that Nāfi' stated:

"I have read to 70 of the Successors (Tābi īn). I sought and grasped those Qirā āt in which two (or more) agreed. And those (Qirā āt) which were isolated, I left."5

Sa'īd ibn Ous al-Anṣārī (Abū Zayd) once asked Abū 'Amr if he only taught the *Qirā'āt* that he heard? He replied:

"If I did not hear it (from a teacher), I cannot teach it, for recitation is a methodology followed (sunnah muttaba ah)."6

<sup>4</sup> Ghāyah al-Nihāyah Vol. 1 pg 348.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Al-Nashr* Vol. 1 pg. 193.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> *Al-Kāmil* of Hudhalī pg. 42. *Ghāyah al-Ikhtiṣār* Vol. 1 pg. 19.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Ahāsin al-Akhbār pg. 389.

Sufyān al-Thourī relates about his teacher Ḥamzah al-Zayyāt:

" amzah never read any  $Qir\bar{a}$  ah from the Book of Allah except that he knew its chain of transmission."

#### Abū Ḥātim al-Sijistānī mentions:

"The first (person) in Basra to give attention to the different types of  $Qir\bar{a}$   $\bar{a}t$  and its documentation, as well as to examine the anomalous  $(Qir\bar{a}$   $\bar{a}t)$  and to investigate their sanads, was Hārūn ibn Mūsā al-A war. He was from amongst the  $qurr\bar{a}$ ."

These reports clarify how the Successors implemented the system of *isnād*. The Companions also utilised *isnād*, though it was not recognisable, as they narrated in a manner that made it clear that they had either heard or had not heard it directly from the Prophet . Therefore, the *isnād* was first used during the time of the Companions although it may be said that it was hardly noticeable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Ghāyah al-Nihāyah Vol. 1 pg. 263.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Hārūn ibn Mūsā transmits *qirā'āt* from 'Āṣim, 'Abd Allah ibn Kathīr al-Makkī, Ibn Muḥaysin and Abū 'Amr al-Basrī, amongst others. He died before 200 A.H. See *Ghāyah al-Nihāyah* Vol. 2 pg. 348.

#### Comments of scholars regarding the isnād system

Sufyān al-Thourī (d. 778 C.E.) said: "The isnād is the weapon of the believer. If he does not have his weapon with him then with what will he fight?" 9

Abd Allah ibn al-Mubārak (d. 797 C.E.) said: "The isnād is part of religion. If it were not for isnād anyone would say whatever he wishes to say (regarding religion)." <sup>10</sup>

He also said: "The similitude of him who seeks a matter of Dīn without an isnād is like one who climbs the roof without a ladder." <sup>11</sup>

Imam Shāfi ī (d. 820 C.E.) said: "The similitude of him who seeks knowledge without an isnād is like one who blindly gathers wood; he picks up a pile of wood not knowing that there is a snake in it." <sup>12</sup>

Ibn alā (d. 1245 C.E.) said: "The isnād is an eminent characteristic of the features of this nation, and a key practice of the emphasized practices." 13

Ibn al-Jazarī (d. 1430 C.E.) mentions: "The isnād is most certainly perculiar to this nation (of Islam) and a key practice of the emphasised practices. Seeking the most elevated isnād is a desirable act." <sup>14</sup>

11 Isnād min al-Dīn by 'Abd al-Fattāḥ Abū Ghuddah.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Siyar al-A'lām al-Nubalā'Vol. 7 pg. 273.

<sup>10</sup> Introduction of Saḥīḥ Muslim.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Isnād min al-Dīn by 'Abd al-Fattāḥ Abū Ghuddah, al-Bayhaqī in *Manāqib al-Shāfi'ī* Vol. 2 pg. 143.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Tadrīb al-Rāwī Vol. 2 pg. 159.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> *Al-Nashr* Vol. 1 pg. 198.

وَقَالَ ابْنُ حَجَرِ الْعَسْقَلَانِيُّ (ت528هـ): «الأَسَانِيدُ أَنْسَابُ الْكُتُب»

Ibn ajar al- Asqalānī (d. 1448 C.E.) said: "The asānīd are the lineage of the books."<sup>15</sup>

وَقَالَ ابْنُ حَجَرِ الْهَيْتَمِيُّ (ت974هـ): «لِكَوْنِ الْإِسْنَادِ يُعْلَمُ بِهِ الْـمَوْضُوعُ مِنْ غَيْرِهِ كَانَتْ مَعْرِفَتُهُ مِنْ فُرُوضِ الْكِفَايَةِ»

Ibn ajar al-Haytamī (d. 1567 C.E.) said: "Since through isnād that which is fabricated is known from that which is not (fabricated), its knowledge is a communal obligation." <sup>16</sup>

وَقَالَ الشَّيْحُ مُحُمَّدٌ مُرْتَضَى الزَّبِيدِيُّ فِي إِحْدَى إِجَازَاتِهِ (ت1205هـ): «ثَبَتَ عِنْدَ أَهْلِ هٰذَا الْفَنِّ أَنَّهُ لَا يَتَصَدَّى لِإِفْرَاءِ كُتُبِ السُّنَّةِ وَالْـحَدِيثِ قِرَاءَةً وَدِرَايَةً، أَوْ تَبَرُّكاً وَرِوَايَةً، إلَّا مِنْ أَخْذِ أَسَانِيدِ تِلْكَ الْكُتُبِ عَنْ أَهْلِهَا، مِمَّنْ أَتْقَنَ دِرَايَتَهَا وَرِوَايَتَهَا . . .

Sheikh Mu ammad Murta ā al-Zabīdī (d. 1791 C.E.) stated in one of his ijāzāt: "The scholars of this science have established that one does not begin to teach the books of Sunnah and Hadith – in reading or theoretical study, for blessing or for purposes of transmission – except from taking the asanīd of these books from its experts, who have mastered its theory and its transmission." 17

وَقَالَ بْنُ رَحْمُونَ (ت1263هـ): «كَانَ مِنْ سُنَّةٍ عُلَهَاءِ الْحَدِيثِ طَلَبُ الْإِجَازَةِ فِي الْقَدِيمِ وَالْحَدِيثِ، حِرْصًا عَلَى بَقَاءِ الْإِسْنَادِ، وَمُحَافَظَةٍ عَلَى الشَّرِيعَةِ الْغَرَّاءِ إِلَى يَوْمِ التَّنَادِ، وَهِيَ الَّتِي نُسِيَتْ بِإِذِهِ الْأَعْصَرِ»

Ibn Ra mūn (d. 1847 C.E.) said: "The seeking of ijāzah in the past and the present has been a practice of the scholars of Hadith, who have strived to continue the isnād (system), and to preserve the unique sharī ah until the Day of Resurrection. It is this which has been forgotten in present times." 18

وَذَكَرَ الشَّيْخُ عَبْدُالْحَيِّ الكَتَّانِيُّ (ت1382هـ) فِي مُقَدِّمَةِ فِهْرَسِ الْفَهَارِس: "وَقَالَ بَعْضُ الْعَلَّمِ فِي صَدْرِ ثَبَتٍ لَهُ: وَكَفَى النَّابِيُّ عَبْدُالْحَيِّ الكَتَّانِيُّ (ت1382هـ) فِي مُقَدِّمَةِ فِهْرَسِ الْفَهَارِس: "وَقَالَ بَعْضُ الْعَلَّمِ فِي طِرْسٍ وَاحِدٍ" الرَّاوِي الْـمُنْتَظِمِ فِي هٰذِهِ السَّلْسِلَةِ شَرَفًا وَفَضْلًا وَجَلَالَةً وَنُبُلًا أَنْ يَكُونَ اسْمُهُ مُنْتَظِيًا مَعَ اسْمِ الْـمُصْطَفَى فِي طِرْسٍ وَاحِدٍ" Sheikh Abd al- ayy al-Kattānī (d. 1962 C.E.) relates at the introduction of Fihras al-Fahāris: "Some eminent scholars state at the beginning of their books: It is sufficient honour, virtue, stature and nobility for the

<sup>16</sup> *Muʻjam al-Maʻājim wa al-Mashīkhāt* of Marʻashlī Vol. 1 pg. 14.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Introduction to *Fatḥ al-Bārī*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> *Muʻjam al-Maʻājim wa al-Mashīkhāt* of Marʻashlī Vol. 1 pg. 14, *Fihras al-Fahāris* Vol. 1 pg. 67.

<sup>18</sup> Ibid

narrator in this continuous chain to have his name linked to the name of the chosen one (Mu ammad 🏟) on one sheet of paper."19

وقال أيضا: «وَاللهُ أَكْرَمَ هٰذِهِ الْأُمَّةَ بِالْإِسْنَادِ، لَمْ يُعْطِهِ لِأَحَدِ غَيْرِهَا، فَاحْذَرُوا أَنْ تَسْلُكُوا مَسْلَكَ الْيَهُودِ وَالنَّصَارٰى، فَتُحَدِّثُوا بِغَيْرِ إِسْنَادٍ، فَتَكُونُوا سَالِينَ نِعْمَةَ اللهِ عَنْ أَنْفُسِكُم، مُطَرِّقِينَ لِلتُّهْمَةِ إِلَيْكُم، خَافِضِينَ لِـمَنْزِلَتِكُم، وَمُشْتَرِكِينَ مَعَ قَوْمٍ لَعَنَهُمُ اللهُ وَغَضِبَ عَلَيْهِم، وَرَاكِينَ لِسُنَيْهِم،

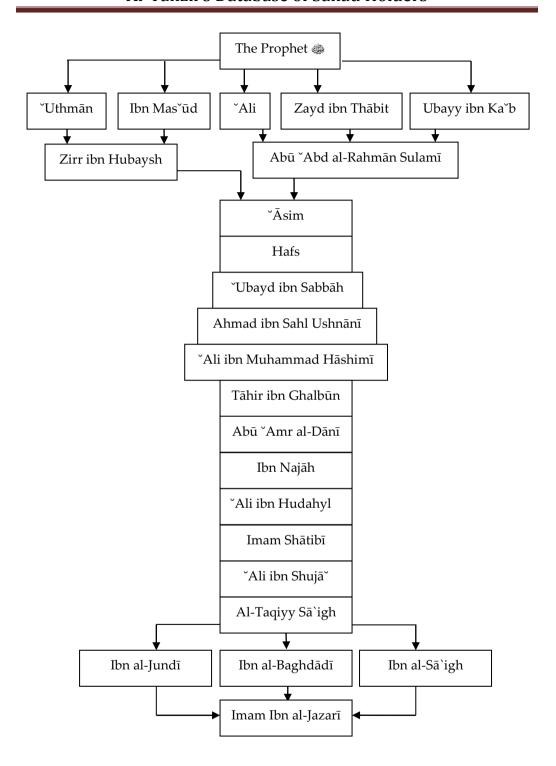
He also said: "Allah honoured this community with isnād, and did not confer it to another besides them. Therefore, beware of following the ways of the Jews and the Christians by relating statements without isnād. If you do so, you will deprive yourselves of the bounty of Allah, open yourselves to suspicion, lower your disintinguished status, associate yourselves and travel the path of a people whom Allah has cursed and is angry with."<sup>20</sup>

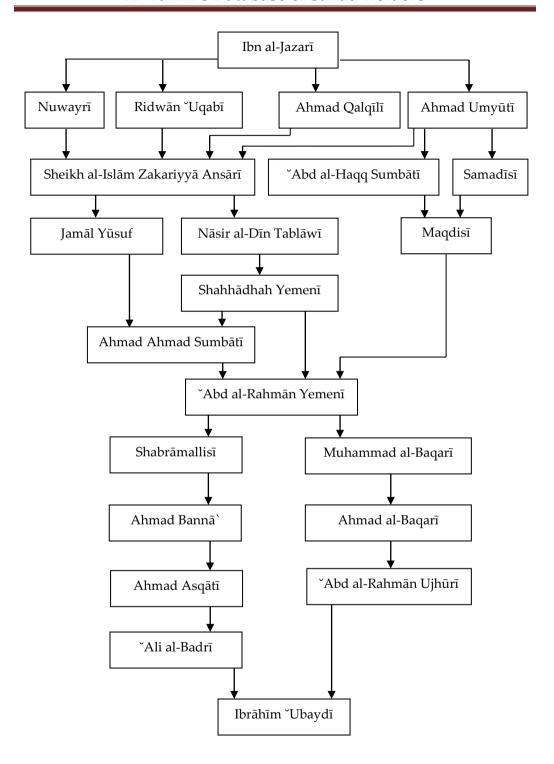
Ibn Sīrīn (d. 728 C.E.) said: "This knowledge (of religion) constitutes faith, so be wary of whom you aquire your knowledge from."<sup>21</sup>

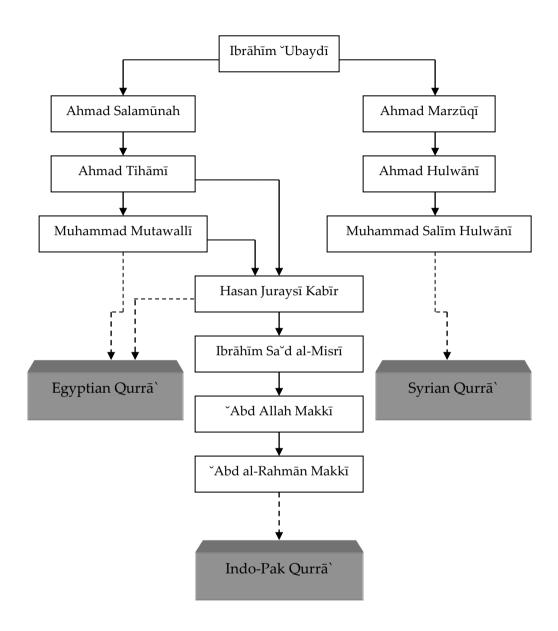
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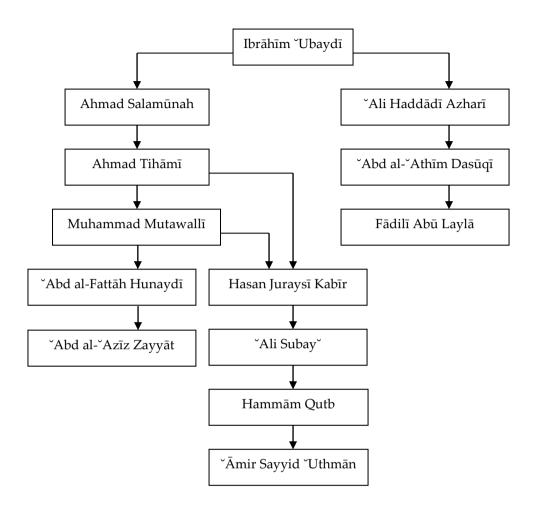
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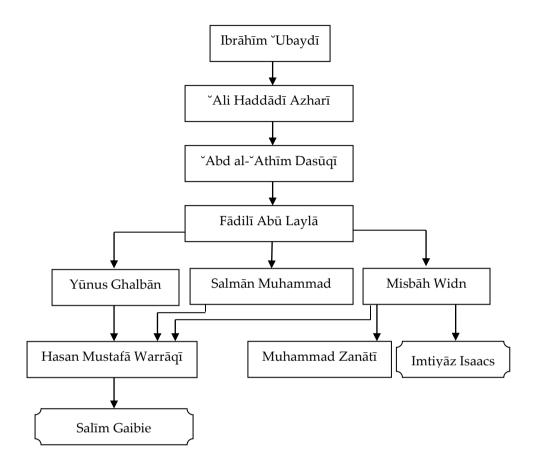






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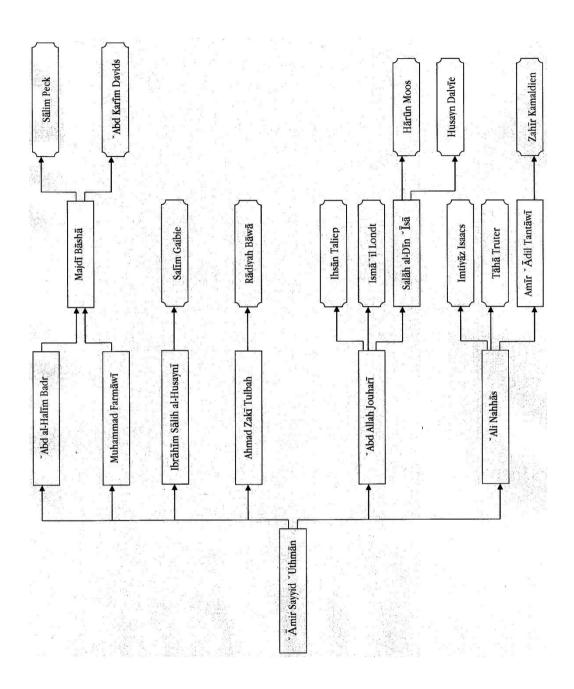
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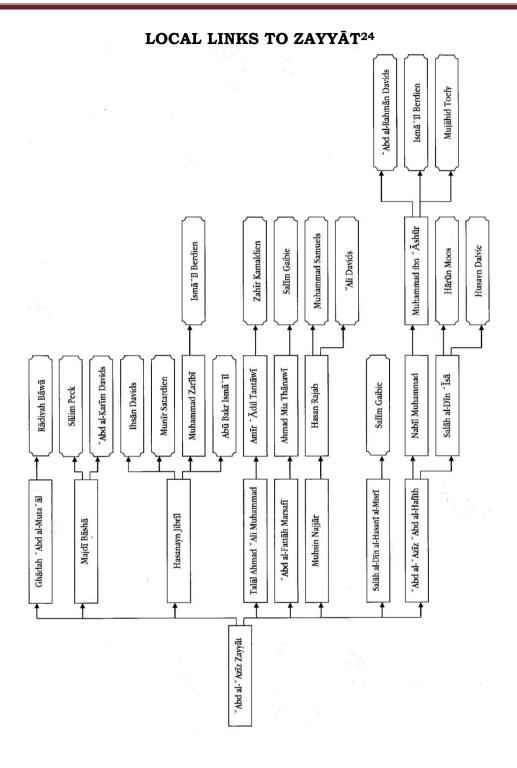
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#### LOCAL LINKS TO ŠAMIR SAYYID UTHMĀN<sup>23</sup>



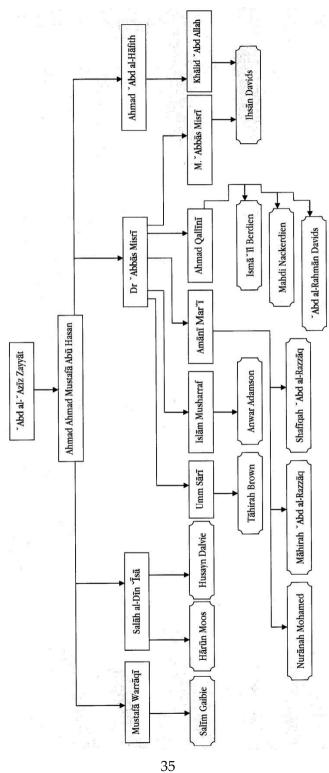
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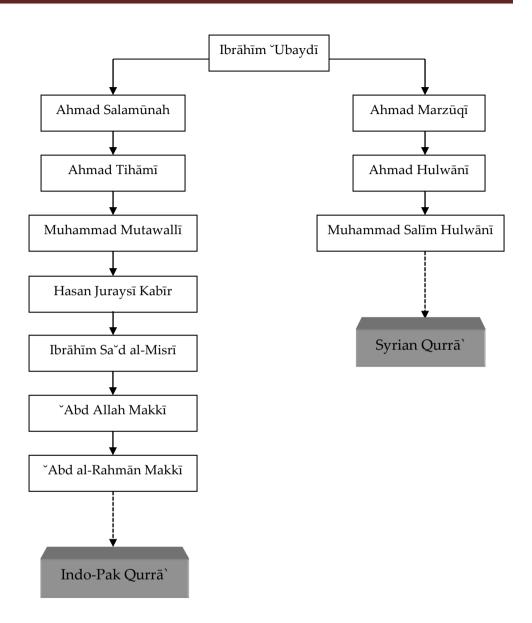


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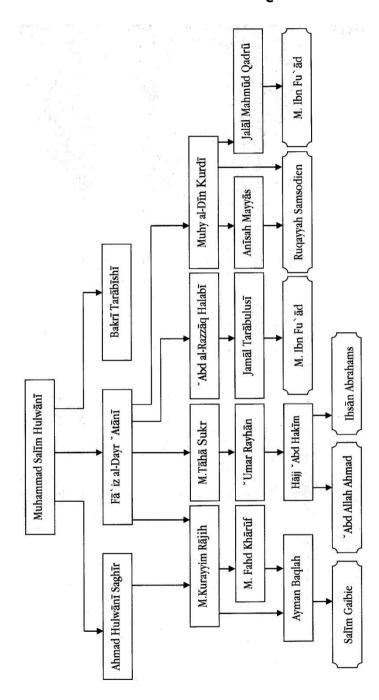
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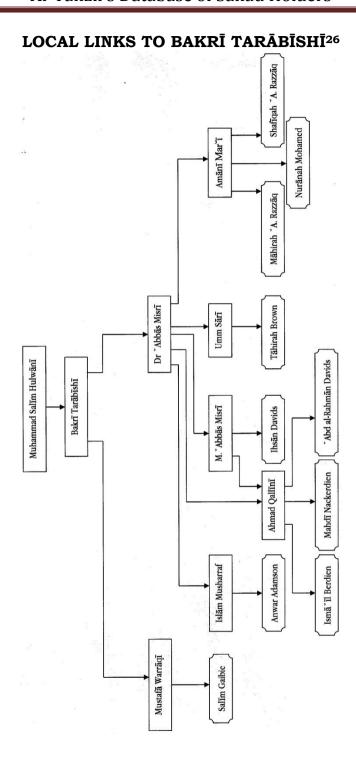




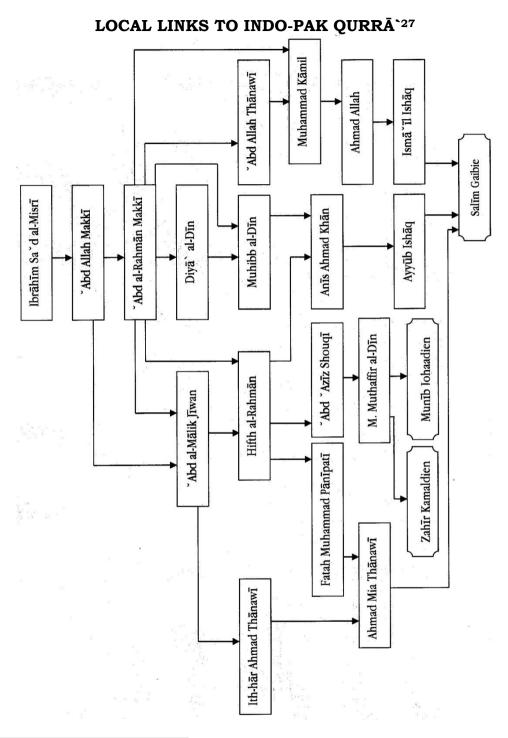
# LOCAL LINKS TO SYRIAN QURRĀ<sup>25</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Sheikh Muḥammad Salīm Ḥulwānī's *sanad* to Ibrāhīm 'Ubaydī is indicated in the diagram on page 33, and 'Ubaydī's *sanad* to Ibn al-Jazarī is on page 26. Ibn al-Jazarī's *sanad* to the Prophet is indicated on page 25.



 $^{26}$  Muḥammad Salīm Ḥulwānī's sanad to 'Ubaydī is on page 33. 'Ubaydī's sanad to Ibn al-Jazarī is on page 26 and Ibn al-Jazarī's sanad to the Prophet  $^{26}$  is indicated on page 25.



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Makkī and Ibrāhīm Sa'd al-Miṣrī's *sanad* to Sheikh Mutawallī and Ibrāhīm 'Ubaydī is on page 33. 'Ubaydī's *sanad* to Ibn al-Jazarī is on page 26 and Ibn al-Jazarī's *sanad* to the Prophet is indicated on page 25.

# Profiles of Sanad-Holders

# 'Ādil Arnold

Mother's name: 'Ā'ishah

Father's name: Yāsīn Arnold

#### Early studies:

- Started reciting the Qur'ān when he moved from Gauteng to Cape Town.
   His first instructors were Mu'allimah Ruqayyah, Mu'allimah Khadījah,
   Mu'allimah Ṣādiqah and Ustādh Taslīm Arendse.
- Completed his first khatm by Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien.
- Revised the Qur'an with Ḥāfiṭḥ Riḍwān Ismail and Ḥāfiṭḥ Muntahā Kenny.
- Attended Tafalah Primary School.
- Also attended Portio Primary School.
- Also attended Vanguard Primary School.

The principal of Hafith Academy, Ḥāfiṭḥ Riḍwān Ismail, was a huge inspiration to him and continually motivated him until he completed his *ḥifṭḥ*. Throughout his journey of memorization, his father greatly supported and motivated him, especially when things were at their toughest and bleakest for him.

#### Later Studies:

- Upon completing his *ḥifṭḥ*, he went to Al-Azhar High School. His focus being on schoolwork, he neglected his Qur'ānic revision.
- The following year he joined the Tayyibah al-Nashr Institute, which runs under the auspices of Sheikh Iḥsān Davids. After a rigorous testing, Sheikh Iḥsān allowed him to read for ijāzah.
- Approximately one year and three months later, he completed the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim, the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by Sheikh Iḥsān.

- His desire to pass on what he had acquired instigated him to teach at Jam'iyyah al-Qurrā' (JEQ) for a period of two years. He considers the experience that he gained at JEQ as invaluable.
- A yearning to understand what he had memorised of the Qur'ān caused him to enrol at Dār al-Na'īm, Wynberg.

#### Qualifications:

• Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismāʿīl Berdien.

#### He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'āh* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The *Tuḥfah* of Sulaymān Jamzūrī.
  - 3) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Mu'allimah Ruqayyah initially read the Qur'ān to her.
- Mu'allimah Khadījah initially read the Qur'ān to her.
- Muʻallimah Ṣādiqah initially read the Qur'ān to her.
- Ustādh Taslīm Arendse initially read the Qur'ān to him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien completed his first khatm by him. Also revised his Qur'ān by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Riḍwān Ismail revised the Qurʾān with him.
- Sheikh Shoukat 'Ali
- Sheikh Ziyād
- Sheikh Aslam
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Muntahā Kenny revised the Qur'ān with him, making six khatms by him.

- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim, the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Aslam Abrahams read a *khatm* to him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Taught at JEQ for a period of two years.
- Conducts private classes for students in Sherwood Park.
- 2015 lead *Tarāwīḥ* at Jamʿiyyah Ahl al-Sunnah in Mitchells Plain.
- Currently teaching at TLC (The Leadership College) Hafith Academy. He is also the head of *Tajwīd* at the school.

Ḥāfiṭḥ ʿĀdil hopes to start his own ḥifṭḥ school where he is able to give his students sanad and ijāzah in the Qurʾān, the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah.

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# 'Ā'ishah Abrahams

Muʻallimah ʻĀ'ishah Abrahams is the first female in South Africa to complete the study and recitation of the Ten *Qirā'āt*, receiving *sanad* and *ijāzah* for it.

Father's name: Ḥanīf Abrahams

Mother's name: Kāmilah Davis Abrahams

#### Early studies:

• Learnt to read Qur'ān by her parents

#### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Muʻallimah ʻĀ'ishah Ceres.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Muʻallimah Zāhidah Majiet in 2008.
- Islamic courses:

2008 - Completed hifth.

2009 – Started studies at DQA's Qurrā' Development Programme and completed module one and two.

2009 - Received sanad and ijāzah for the Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl of Sulaymān Jamzūrī.

2009 to 2010 — Received sanad and  $ij\bar{a}zah$  for the narration of Ḥafṣ via the  $tar\bar{a}q$  of  $tar\bar{a}q$ 

2010 — Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the *Jazariyyah*, *Bahjat al-Luḥḥaṭḥ* of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdī and the text of Sheikh 'Āmir Sayyid 'Uthmān for *qaṣr* of *madd munfaṣil* in the narration of Ḥafṣ.

2010 – Completed module three and four of DQA's Qurrā' Development Programme.

2011 – Received sanad and ijāzah for narration of Ḥafṣ via the ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah.

2011 - Completed module five and six of DQA's Qurrā' Development Programme.

- 2010 to 2011 Completed two year Diploma of Higher Islamic learning at Dār al-Naʿīm.
- 2011 Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the *Laʾāliʾ al-Bayān* of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdī and for the *Tibyān* of Imam Nawawī.
- 2012 Completed module seven of DQA's Qurrā' Development Programme.
- 2012 Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from Moulana Salīm Gaibie for the book, *Tajwīd* Rules of the Qur'ān, by Sheikhah Kareema Carol Czerepinski.
- 2012 Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the poems of Sheikh Saʿīd al-ʿAbd Allah and Zāyid al-Adhān on the *ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ* for Ḥafṣ.
- 2012 Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan for the *40 Ḥadīth* of Mullā 'Ali al-Qāri' on the Qur'ān.
- 2012 Received sanad and ijāzah from Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq for the Jazariyyah.
- 2012 Completed the *Qirā'ah* of Abū 'Amr al-Basrī.
- 2013 Completed the narration of Qālūn and the *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far.

#### Qualifications:

• Completed the memorisation of the Qur'an by Mu'allimah Zāhidah Majiet.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah.
  - 2) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 3) The Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl.
  - 4) The Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Samannūdī.
  - 5) Text of Sheikh 'Āmir in qaṣr of munfaṣil for Ḥafṣ.
  - 6) The *Qirā'ah* of Abū 'Amr al-Basrī.
  - 7) The narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 8) The narration of Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 9) The *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far via the *Durrah*.
  - 10) The *Qirā'ah* of Ya'qūb via the *Durrah*.

- 11) The Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 4) Al-La'āli' al-Bayān of Samannūdī.
  - 5) Tajweed Rules of the Qur'an by Sheikhah Kareema Czerepinski.
  - 6) Fatḥ al-Karīm al-Mannān of 'Ali al-Ḍabbā'.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq in:
  - 1) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Aḥmad ibn Muḥammad Saʿd al-Ḥasanī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.
  - 3) The Salsabīl al-Shāfī.
  - 4) The *Shāṭibiyyah*
  - 5) The 'Aqīlah.
  - 6) The *Qirā'ah* of Nāfi' via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 7) The Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 8) The narration of Khalaf via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Dr 'Abd Allah al-Jār Allah (Saudi) in:
  - 1) Al-La'āli' al-Bayān of Samannūdī.
  - 2) *Ijāzah* for some of his written works (*munāwalah*).
- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿī (Malawi) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ.

- 2) Al-Tibyān fī 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān of Sheikh M. 'Ali Ṣābūnī.
- 3) *Ṣafwah al-Tafāsīr* of Sheikh M. 'Ali Ṣābūnī.
- 4) All Sheikh Sābūnī's written works.
- Sheikh Yaḥyā Gouthānī
  - 1) Heard (samā') Al-Arba'ūn al-Ghouthāniyyah being read to the Sheikh.<sup>28</sup>
  - 2) Received ijāzah 'āmmah for all his tranmissions.

#### Teachers:

- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres started *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān by her.
- Mu'allimah Zāhidah Majiet completed hifth of the Qur'ān by her.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied *Naḥw*, *Tarjamah*, *Mīrāth* and '*Aqidah* by him.
- Moulana Zahīr Parker studied Ṣarf, Tarjamah, Ḥadīth, and Fiqh (Kitāb al-Ḥajj and Kitāb al-Ṣiyām) by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Keraan studied Fiqh (Kitāb al-Ṭahārah, Kitāb al-Ṣalāh and Kitāb al-Janā'iz), Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth, Sīrah and Tarbiyah by him. Also read Iḍāḥ al-Qawā'id al-Fiqhiyyah of 'Abd Allah ibn Sa'īd al-Laḥjī and selected portions of Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī to him.
- Moulana Muḥammad Carr studied Fiqh (Kitāb al-Bay', Kitāb al-Nikāḥ, Kitāb al-Zakāh and Kitāb al-Jināyat) by him. Also studied Miftāḥ al-Uṣūl fī 'ilm Uṣūl al-Fiqh of Safwān Dāwūdī, al-Kāfī al-Wāfī fī Uṣūl al-Fiqh al-Islāmī of Sheikh Muṣṭafa al-Khann, al-Iqnā' in Fiqh and Fiqh al-Sīrah of Sheikh Muḥammad Sa'īd Ramaḍān al-Būṭī by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied the Jazariyyah, La'ali' al-Bayān, Salsabīl al-Shāfī, Uşul al-Qirā'āt, and the textbooks of Sheikhah Kareema Carol Czerepinski Tajwid rules of the Quran by him. She also memorised the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> This booklet was prepared by Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan for Sheikh Yaḥyā Ghouthānī on his visit to Cape Town. It comprises of 40 *ḥadīth* on the virtues of the Qur'ān, with 40 varying *sanads* of Sheikh Yaḥyā.

- *uṣūl* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* by him, as well as completed a *khatm* in the Seven *Qirā'āt* by him, receiving *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids recited the narration of Ḥafṣ and Shu'bah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*, the narration of Qālūn, the *Qirā'ah* of Abū 'Amr Basrī and the *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far to him. Also studied *Murshid al-Qāri* (book 1), the *Tuḥfah*, *Bahjat al-Luḥḥaṭḥ*, the text of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān and *Touḍīḥ al-Ma'ālim li Ṭuruq Ḥafṣ* by him.
- Sheikh Isma'īl Londt studied *Ṣarf* and *ʿUlūm al-Qurʾān* by him. Completed the *uṣūl* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied Murshid al-Qāri (book 1) and the Tuḥfah by him. Learned how to combine the Seven Qirā'āt by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Naḥw, the Tibyān of Imam Nawawī, and Fiqh (Kitāb al-Ṭahārah, Kitāb al-Ṣalāh and Kitāb al-Ṣiyām) by him. Currently studying Fiqh (Kitāb al-Zakāh) by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander studying *Tarjamah* by him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos memorised 17 ajzā' of the Qur'ān and studied maqāmāt by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown studied maqāmāt by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams recited 19 and a half ajzā' for the narration of Ḥafṣ via the tarīq of the Rouḍah of Mu'addil by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Davids studied *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* by him.
- Moulana Yusri studied *Tarjamah* (*juz* 1-5) by him.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq heard (samā') the Jazariyyah being read to him. Received
  a written ijāzah from him for it.
- Sheikh Aḥmad ibn Muḥammad Sa'd al-Ḥasanī read sections of the Qur'ān
  to him in the narrations of Qālūn, Warsh, Khalaf, and the Reading of 'Āṣim
  and received ijāzah from him.

- Dr 'Abd Allah al-Jār Allah read al-La'āli' al-Bayān of Samannūdī to him from memory and received ijāzah for it. Also received some of his written works from him.
- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿi read sections from al-Tibyān fī 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān and Ṣafwat al-Tafāsīr of Sheikh M. 'Ali Ṣābūnī to him and received sanad and ijāzah for them. Also read a portion of the Qur'ān to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ and received ijāzah from him.
- Mu'allimah Ruqayyah Samsodien studied al-Iqnā'in Fiqh by her.
- Moulana Khalīl Hendricks read Shamā'il al-Tirmidhī, selected portions of Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī, al-Wāḍiḥ fī 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān of Sheikh Muṣṭafā al-Bughā and Muḥy al-Dīn Dīb Mistu, al-Manhaj al-Ḥadīth fī Tashīl 'Ulūm al-Ḥadīth of 'Ali Nāyif Baqā'ī, as well as Tafsīr to him.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali read selected portions of Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī to him.
- Sheikh Yaḥyā Ghouthānī heard *Al-Arba'ūn al-Ghouthāniyyah* being read to him. Received *ijāzah* for it as well as *ijāzah 'āmmāh* from him.
- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan received ijāzah 'āmmah from him.

#### Students:

- Ṭāhirah Brown completed the Qirā'ah of Abū 'Amr Basri by her. She also read the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah to her and received sanad and ijāzah for all that she completed with Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah.
- Rāḍiyah Bawa completed the Qirā'ah of Abū 'Amr Basri by her and received sanad and ijāzah for it.
- Anīsah Jabār currently reading the narration of Ḥafṣ to her, as well as studying the Seven *Qirā'āt* and the *Shāṭibiyyah* by her. She read the poems of Sheikh Shanqīṭī and Sa'īd 'Abd Allah for the *ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ* and received *ijāzah* for it.

#### Written Works:

 Ḥafṣ via the Ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ – a translation and commentary on two poems, which discusses the narration of Ḥafṣ via the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Volunteer with Discover Islam's Dawah Caravan.
- Assisted with the Discover Islam's "girl's tarbiyah camp 2012-2013".
- Assistant tutor at Dār al-Na'īm.
- Completed ten modules at the DQA's Qurrā' Development Programme.
- Had online classes teaching the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*.
- Currently doing her fourth year at Dar al-Na'im.
- Currently teaching Tajwīd and Qirā'āt at al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences.
- Currently reciting the Three *Qirā'āt* via the *Durrah* to Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

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# 'Ā'ishah Ceres<sup>29</sup>

She received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Muʻaddil.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Several attempts were made to contact her. Her failure to respond to our requests has resulted in the absence of her profile. However, Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt acknowledges to giving her sanad and  $ij\bar{a}zah$ .

# 'Abd Allah Aḥmad<sup>30</sup>

He received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Ḥakīm 'Uthmān Ḥājj (Syria) in:
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> The Sheikh was contacted to provide the necessary information to complete his profile. His failure to respond to our requests has resulted in the absence of his profile.

#### 'Abd Allah Allie

Father's Name: Muḥammad Shafiek Allie

Mother's Name: Āsiyah Ariefdien Allie

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'ān at the hands of Mu'allimah Fayrūz May and Mu'allimah Munībah Benjamin at the Azhar Pre-School, Cape Town.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids.
- He started his memorisation of the Qur'ān at Dār Al-Qur'ān Hafith School situated in Masjid al-Raḥmān, Hanover Park, under the guidance of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Floris at the age of 5 years. He completed 20 *ajzā'* with the Sheikh.

As this was his preschool year, his parents' intention was basically for him to gain fluency in his recitation of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Ibrāhīm. However, in his first year he managed to memorise 5 *ajzā*'. His parents, being comfortable that he had gained fluency in his recitation, wanted to enroll him at a secular school, but Sheikh Ibrāhīm encouraged them to let him first complete his *ḥifṭḥ* before sending him for his secular studies.

# Higher Education:

Completed his hifth by Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids.

He completed his *ḥifṭḥ* at Jamʿiyyat al-Qurrāʾ (JEQ) by the age of 11 years. Sheikh ʿAbd al-Karīm was, and still is, the principal of JEQ Boys School.

Sheikh 'Abd Allah Allie started learning by Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm when he was 9 years old. Due to him having forgotten most of what he had previously memorised, he had to re-start his hifth. This was extremely challenging and particularly demanding. Ironically, this is when he truely fell 'in love' with the Qur'ān. Over the weekends and holidays Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm would pick him up at his house after

Fajr Prayers. He would spend the entire day with him, learning and revising his work with him. At times he fell asleep on the bed while learning and his mother, Aunt Firdous, would give him something to eat while always offering words of encouragement. The day usually ended at 10pm, when he was returned home.

He completed his memorisation of the Qur'ān when he read his last lesson on his birthday, 3 October 2005. Thereafter he traveled with his teacher, Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm, to Egypt to further his Qur'ānic studies, as well as Arabic and Islamic Sciences.

- He completed 11 levels at Markaz Fajr in Cairo, Egypt. Here he predominantly studied the varied aspects of the Arabic language; grammar, morphology, rhetoric, dictation, "muḥādathah" (conversation) and "Qirā'ah al-Ḥurrah" (open reading).
- Completed Primary and Secondary School at al-Azhar, Egypt.

#### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭh* of the Qur'ān.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Maḥmūd ibn al-Sayyid ibn 'Ali ibn Ismā'īl 'Iwaḍī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Fattāḥ Madkūr Bayyūmī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah.
  - 2) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.
  - 4) Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfī.

- Sheikh 'Ali ibn Muḥammad Toufīq al-Naḥḥās (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) *Ijāzah 'Āmmah* for all his books and transmissions.
- Sheikh 'Ali al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of Ḥamzah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah
  - 3) The narration of Warsh via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 4) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
  - 5) The Jazariyyah.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- While studying at Markaz Fajr he started reciting a khatm to Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī, the Imam of the Azhar Masjid.
- Thereafter he enrolled at one of the Qur'ānic institution which runs under the auspices of the Grand Sheikh of Recitation in Egypt, Sheikh Aḥmad 'Isā Ma'ṣarāwī. Here he completed the narrations of Ḥafṣ and Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah at the hands of Sheikh Maḥmūd 'Iwaḍī.
- Currently he is enrolled in the Faculty of Islamic Law at the Azhar University and is presently in his third year of studies.

He is incessantly thankful to Allah for allowing him to be a servant of the Glorious Qur'ān. He also acknowledges the huge support received throughout his studies from his parents, his grandparents from both sides and all his teachers.

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# 'Abd Allah Bayat

Mother's name: Zāhidah bint Goolam Mohommed Bayat (nee Begg)

Father's name: Sulaymān ibn Yūsuf Bayat

#### Early studies:

- Learned how to recite the Qur'ān at the madrasah run by the Bulbulia brothers (Yūsuf) at Rylands High Primary School.
- Started memorising the Qur'ān at the hands of Sheikh Abū Bakr Abdurrouf.
   Subsequently and concurrently, he studied hifth under Sheikh Hāfith Yūsuf Gabier.
- In 1984 his father enrolled him at Jam'iyyat al-Qurra' (JEQ) which at the time was based at St Athans Road Masjid, Athlone. Sheikh Sirāj Johaar was teaching there during that period. In 1985 Sheikh Sirāj left and was replaced by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- In about mid 1985 his father took him to Sheikh Yūsuf Booley to study till the end of the year.
- In 1986 he resumed his schooling.
- In 1987 he restarted his memorisation of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley which he completed in 1988.

### Later Studies:

- In 1992 he enrolled at the Islamic University of Medina and completed the two-year Arabic Diploma.
- In 1994 he entered the Faculty of the Qur'ān and Islamic Studies at the University of Medina from which he graduated in 1998. Here he studied many of the Qur'ānic Sciences which included the Ten Qirā'āt, Rasm, 'Ulūm

al-Qur'ān, Tafsīr etc. He also completed various texts of Qirā'āt including the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah.

#### Qualifications:

- Bcom Honours (2001) University of Western Cape.
- MCom (2004) University of Western Cape.
- PhD (2014) − University of Stellenbosch.
- Completed his hifth.

He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Sālim Peck in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Abū Bakr Abdurrouf started memorisation of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Hafith Yūsuf Gabier memorised certain portions of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Sirāj Johaar memorised certain portions of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier memorised certain portions of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Booley did the bulk of his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Booley and ultimately completed by him as well.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn Sayyidī Muḥammad Muḥammd Al-Amīn studied by him in the Faculty of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Muḥammad Shafi studied by him in the Faculty of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.
- 'Abd Allah al-Amīn al-Shinqīṭī studied Taſsīr by him in the Faculty of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.

• Sheikh Hikmat Bashier Yasin – studied *Tafsīr* by him in the Faculty of

Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.

• Sheikh Bashīr Aḥmad Ṣiddīq — recited more than a juz to him in the

narration of Qālūn in the Haram of Medina.

• Sheikh Sālim Peck – recited the narration of Ḥafs via the *Shāṭibiyyah* to him

and received sanad and ijāzah for it.

Past and Current Activities:

Previously taught at the International College Of South Africa (ICOSA)

Taught at Darul Arqam, Cape Town.

• Taught at the International Peace Varsity of South Africa (IPSA) till the end

of 2005.

Currently Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayat teaches in the Faculty of Economic and

Management Sciences from mid 2005 till now (2014).

• Currently a registered student of al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences

where he is reading the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah, as well as the

Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī to Sheikh Sālim Peck.

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#### 'Abd Allah Forbes

Mother's name: Ḥalīmah

Father's name: Ridwān

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by Mu'allimah Ḥawwa' and Sheikh Fu'ad Gabier.
- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd Allah Awaldien.
- Completed and revised the Qur'ān by Moulana Yūnus Essop.

#### Later studies:

- Completed two years at Dār al-ʿUlūm Zakariyyā in Gauteng, studying Arabic and basic *Tajwīd* under Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq.
- Completed three years at Dār al-Naʿīm, Wynberg, which runs under the auspices of Moulana ʿAli Goder.

#### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qurʾān.

#### Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿī (Malawi) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) The poem of 'Āmir 'Uthmān for the Rouḍah.
  - 4) The Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ.
  - 5) The poem of Saʿīd ʿAbd Allah on the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the *Miṣbāḥ* and the *Roudah* of Muʻaddil.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nadhir Majiet in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of Abū 'Amr via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Mu'allimah Ḥawwā' learnt to recite the Qur'ān by her.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Awaldien started *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Essop completed hifth by him and revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana Muḥammad Carr studied Fiqh, Uṣūl al-Fiqh and Muslim Personal Law by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Keraan studied Muṣṭlaḥ al-Ḥadīth and the Jāmi<sup>c</sup> of Imam al-Tirmidhī by him.
- Moulana Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿī completed a *khatm* by him via the *ţuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Moulana Zahīr Parker studied Hadith by him.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq studied basic Tajwīd by him.
- Qāri Ṣāliḥ Peck practical implementation of *Tajwīd* rules.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied Tajwīd and read a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah, the Miṣbāḥ and the Rouḍah of Muʿaddil. Also studying the Shāṭibiyyah and various other books by him.
- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan studied Fiqh and Mughnī al-Muḥtāj by him.
- Moulana Anwar Humbles studied Tafsīr and "Ulūm al-Qur'ān by him.

- Moulana Ya'qūb Malawi studied *Uṣūl al-Fiqh, Fiqh, Mughnī al-Muḥtāj* and Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth by him.
- Moulana Shāmil Rass studied sections of Imam Ghazālī's Iḥyā' by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied the Jāmi' of Imam al-Tirmidhī,
   Uṣūl al-Fiqh and Fiqh by him. Also read seven juz to him in the Qirā'ah of
   Kisā'ī.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Saloojie studied 'Aqīdah by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Moola studied *Sīrah* by him.
- Qāri Zaid Haspatel studied Arabic by him.
- Moulana Azhar Patan studied *Sīrah* by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt studied *Tajwīd*, the *Tuḥfah* and Arabic poetry by him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied 'Aqīdah and Mīrāth by him.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor studied the Sunan of Abū Dāwūd and the Tafsīr
  of Ibn Kathīr by him.
- Moulana Muʻādh ʻAli studied *Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth* by him.
- Moulana Irshād Sedick studied Fiqh and Manāhil al-Irfān in 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana Ṭāriq studied Islamic history by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nadhir Majiet read a khatm to him in the Qirā'ah of Abū 'Amr via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Past and Current activities:

- Previously lectured at Dar al-Turath al-Islamī (DTI).
- Previously a teacher at Madrasat al-Falāḥ in Walmer Estate.
- Also a teacher of *Tajwīd* and *Tafsīr* at Dār al-Anwār in Salt River.
- Previously lectured at the Qurrā' Development Program.
- One of the imams at the Muḥammadiyyah Masjid in Salt River.

- Currently in the fifth year at Dār al-ʿUlūm al-ʿArabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand, which runs under the guidance of Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan.
- Currently reading the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī to Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan.

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#### 'Abd Allah Petersen

Mother's name: Jawaya

Father's name: Muhammad Salie Petersen

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by his parents, grandparents, Mu'allim 'Ādil Parker and Mu'allim Ahmad Manan.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Imam Muḥammad Zayn Bardien.
- Attended Dār al-'Ilm Madrasah, Salt River.

#### Later studies:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Imam Mujāhid Laatoe.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.
- Did basic Islamic studies at al-Nūr Centre.

#### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān.
- Completed the study of the Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah at al-Tanzīl Institute of Qur'ānic Sciences.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥman Davids in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Ḥafiṭḥ Nadhīr Majiet in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The *Qirā'āh* of Khalaf al-'Āshir.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.
  - 4) Tajweed Rules of the Qur'ān by Sheikhah Kareema Czerepinski.
  - 5) Fath al-Karīm of Sheikh Dabbā'.
  - 6) Written works of Sheikh Toufiq Damrah in Qirā'āṭ.
- Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:
  - 1) The Qirā'āh of Khalaf al-'Āshir.
  - 2) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq in:
  - 1) The Jazariyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt —studied the uṣūl of the Shāṭibiyyah and 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied the Jazariyyah, al-La'āli' al-Bayān of Samannūdī, Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfī of 'Uthmān Murād and the uṣūl of the Seven Qirā'āt by him.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq received sanad and ijāzah from him for the Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown learned *maqāmāt* by him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos learned maqāmāt by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Arabic and Fiqh by him. Received sanad and ijāzah from him for the 40 ḥadīth on the virtues of Qur'ān by Mullā 'Ali al-Qāri', the Tibyān of Imam Nawawi, the Shamā'il of Tirmidhī and the Book of Assistance by Imam Ḥaddād.
- Moulana Sirāj Giri studied Fiqh by him.

- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander did Qur'ān translation by him.
- Moulana Muḥammad Davids studied *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids learned how to combine various Qirā'āt (jam' al-qirā'āt) by him.

#### Students:

- Muḥammad 'Ali Ismail completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Luqmān Harneker completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Ismā'īl Jacobs completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Nabīl Parker completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Tashrīq Kazie completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Alawī Alexander completed the Seven Qirā'at via the Shāṭibiyyah by him.

#### Past and Current activities:

- Completed all 10 modules of the Qurra Development Program.
- Taught *ḥifṭḥ* at Ibn al-Jazarī Institute.
- Teaches part-time *ḥifṭḥ* at Dār Ubay.
- Currently a teacher at al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences.

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# 'Abd Allah Taliep

Mother's name: Ḥalīmah Taliep

Father's name: Ni'mat Allah Taliep

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an at the age of seven.
- Started hifth (memorisation of the Qur`ān) at age 14, May of 2003.

#### Later studies:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* in May 2006.
- Completed the 1<sup>st</sup> year at Dār al-Naʿīm, Wynberg, which runs under the auspices of Moulana ʿAli Goder.
- Completed module two at the Qurrā' Development Program (QDP), studying Arabic, *Tajwīd*, *maqāmāt*, the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī and the *Jazariyyah*.
- Completed a teacher and facilitator course at Discover Islam.
- Received sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Ḥafṣ in December 2009.

#### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur`ān.
- Completed a teacher and facilitator course at Discover Islam.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Muʻaddil.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʿaddil.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Arabic grammar and Ṣarf by him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied Arabic by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied *Tajwīd* and the *Tuḥfah* by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown studied *maqāmāt* by him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos studied *maqāmāt* by him.
- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt studied *maqāmāt* by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie received ijāzah from him in the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.

#### Past and Current activities:

• Taught *ḥifṭḥ*.

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#### 'Abd al-Malik De Vries

Father's name: Munīb

Mother's name: 'Ā'ishah

# **Early Studies:**

- Learnt to recite the Qur'an by Dar al-Ilm.
- Attended madrassah by Mu'allim Na'īm Sauls and also learnt the essentials of dīn from him.

#### Later Studies:

- Started hifth by Sheikh Abū Bakr Taliep in 2009 and completed 13 ajzā' by him.
- Completed 10 *ajzā* 'by Moulana 'Abd al-'Azīz Vallie.
- Completed 4 *ajzā* 'by Sheikh 'Adnān Khatieb.
- Completed the remaining 3 ajzā'by Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids.
- Revised his Qur'ān by Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids.
- Revised his Qur'ān by Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien.
- Revised his Qur'ān by Sheikh Anwar Adamson. Also studied Arabic and Fiqh by him.
- Matriculated from Trafalgar High School in 2014.
- Completed four modules of the Qurra' Development Program.

#### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids in 2010.
- Matriculated from Trafalgar High School in 2014.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Muʻaddil.
  - 2) The Tuḥfah.
- Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:
  - 1) The narration of Sūsī via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The Tuhfah.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl berdien in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Ridwān Saiet in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah*
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
- Sheikh Imtiyāz Isaacs in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.

#### Teachers:

• Mu'allim Na'īm Sauls – learnt how to recite by him.

- Sheikh Abū Bakr Taliep completed 13 ajzā'by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Vallie completed 10 *ajzā'* by him.
- Sheikh 'Adnān Khatieb completed 4 *ajzā'* by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids completed the Qur'ān by him and also revised his Qur'ān by him. He completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Roudah of Mu'addil.
- Sheikh Anwar Adamson revised his Qur'ān by him and also studied Fiqh and Arabic by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien revised his Qur'ān by him. He completed the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah* by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids completed the narration of Sūsī via the Shāṭibiyyah by him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* in 2009 and completed in 2010.
- Completed matric in 2014 at Trafalgar High School.
- Attended the Qurrā' Development Program and completed four modules.
- Currently studying Arabic at Ma'had al-Lughah al-Arabiyyah.
- Currently reciting the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim to Sheikh Anwar Adamson.
- Currently reciting the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim and Ibn 'Āmir to Sheikh Imtiyāz Isaacs.
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in woodstock (2012).
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in salt river (2013).
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in table view (2014).
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in windhoek, namibia (2015).

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### 'Abd al-Raḥmān Matieb Davids

Mother's name: Zayn al-Nisā' (Taliep) Davids

Father's name: Muḥammad Zakiyy Davids ibn Muḥammad Amīn ibn Sheikh Ṣāliḥ Sālim al-Ayderūs. Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān's great grandfather was known as Sheikh Ṣāliḥ Kim.

### Early studies:

- At the age of four, he started learning the essentials of *dīn* by a *madrasah* in Cape Town, under the tutelage of Imam Qāsim Ismail in Grassy Park.
- At the age of six he moved to Nigel, Gauteng, and attended the Alra Park community afternoon *madrasah*.
- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by Mu'allim 'Abd al-Laṭīf and a few other teachers.
- Completed his first khatm by Mu'allim 'Abd al-Salām.
- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Imam Āmin Johar, completing from *Sūrat al-Muzzammīl* to *Sūrat al-Nās*.

## Higher studies:

- In April 1996 he went to Dār al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā.
- Started hifth by Hāfith Muhammad Vayed, completing approximately three juz.
- Continued *ḥifṭḥ* under the instruction of Ḥāfiṭḥ Ibrāhīm Bhamjee, eventually completing by him.
- Did I'dādiyyah (preparatory class) to higher Arabic and Islamic learning.
- Completed the basics of Tajwīd by Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq and Qāri Rashīd Dhabelia.

### Qualifications:

Completed hifth by Hafith Ibrahim Bhamjee.

#### Received sanad and ijazah from:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿī (Malawi) in:
  - 1) Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
  - 1) Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) Ibn Kathīr via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 4) Ibn 'Āmir via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 5) 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 6) Abū Jaʿfar via the *Durrah*.
  - 7) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
  - 8) The Jazariyyah.
  - 9) Touḍīḥ al-Ma'ālim of Dr 'Ali al-Naḥḥās.
  - 10) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Samannūdī.
  - 11) Matn of Sheikh 'Āmir Sayyid 'Uthmān.
  - 12) Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān by Sheikhah Kareema Czerepinksi.
- Sheikh Ibn 'Āshūr (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The Qirā'ah of Ya'qūb via the Durrah.
  - 3) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.

- 4) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Qallīnī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Warsh via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) The Qirā'ah of Abū 'Amr via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 4) The Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far via the Durrah.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ I'jāz Muqaddam (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah*.

#### Teachers:

- Imam Qāsim Ismail learned the essentials of dīn by him.
- Mu'allim 'Abd al-Laṭīf learned to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Muʻallim ʻAbd al-Salām completed his first *khatm* by him.
- Imam Āmin Johar started *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Muḥammad Vayed completed memorisation of three juz by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Ibrāhīm Bhamjee completed his memorisation of the Qur'ān by him.
- Qāri Rashīd Dhabelia studied the basics of *Tajwīd*.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq studied the basics of *Tajwīd*.

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi'ī received sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Ṭayyibah and the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Tuḥfah of Jamzūri and the Jazariyyah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied Tajwīd extensively by him, completing several books and texts. Currently reading various qirā'at to him.
- Sheikh Ibn 'Āshūr received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Qālūn, the Qirā'ah of Ya'qūb, the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Qallīnī received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos read various narrations and qirā 'āt to him.

#### Students:

- 'Ā'ishah Abrahams completed the narrations of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah by him. She further completed the narration of Shu'bah and Qālūn, the Qirā'ah of Abū 'Amr, Abū Ja'far, Ya'qūb and Khalaf al-'Āshir, the Tuḥfah, the Jazariyyah, the Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ and the text of Sheikh 'Āmir by him.
- Wardah Mohamed completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah, the Tuḥfah, the Jazariyyah, and the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim by him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos completed the Qirā'ah of Ya'qūb by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams completed the narration of Dūrī Basrī by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ I'jāz Mukaddam completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Ṭayyibah, the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah, the narration of Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah, the Qirā'ah of Ibn 'Āmir al-Shāmī via the Shāṭibiyyah, the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far via the Durrah, the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī, the Jazariyyah, Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Samannūdī, the text for qaṣr of 'Āmir al-Sayyid 'Uthmān.

- Sājidah Abrahams completed her khatm of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah by the Sheikh. Currently reading a khatm via the Miṣbāḥ and the Rouḍah of Muʿaddil to him.
- Muḥammad Nūr Fester completed his hifth by the Sheikh.
- Muḥammad Nabīl Slamdien completed his hifth by the Sheikh.
- Kauthar Karriem completed her *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.
- Āsiyah Abbas completed her *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.
- Sheikh Ridwān Saiet read a khatm to the Sheikh in the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Floris read a khatm to the Sheikh in the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī.
- Moulana Luqmān Ben read a khatm to the Sheikh in the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far and Ya'qūb.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nadhīr Majiet read a khatm to the Sheikh in the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far and Ya'qūb.

#### Past and current activities:

- Started his own madrasah Dār al-Muṣḥāf in Lotus River at Masjid al-Mihrāb in 2001.
- He was the principle of madrasahs: Dār al-Muṣḥaf, Dār al-Furqān, Madrasah 'Āliyah Furqāniyyah. They were all established at Masjid al-Miḥrāb, Seventh Avenue, Lotus River.
- Taught many students privately in Grassy Park as well as elsewhere.
- He was a teacher, and subsequently the principal at Madrasah Yūsufiyyah, which ran under the auspices of the late Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- He was a teacher and vice principal of Jam'iyyah al-Qurrā' (JEQ).
- Spent some time in Egypt where he read to Sheikh 'Iṣām Aḥmad Mabrūk at Dār al-Kitāb, Sheikh Aḥmad al-Qallīnī and to Sheikh 'Āshūr.
- Studied Arabic at Markaz Fajr, Egypt.

- Currently the principle and teacher at Markaz Iqrā' al-Qur'ān at Masjid al-Miḥrāb.
- Started the Reading of Ḥamzah by Sheikh Hārūn Moos.
- Read a few juz in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Taysīr to Sheikh Iḥsān Davids.
- Currently has his own school for Qur'ānic literacy, hifth and Qirā'āt situated at Masjid al-Miḥrāb, 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Lotus River.

The Sheikh currently stays in Schaapkraal.

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## 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khān

Mother's name: Wasīlah

Father's name: Jumānnah

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'ān at Madrasah Sirāj al-Islām (Rylands High).
- Finished first khatm by Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt.
- Attended Madrasah Sirāj al-Islām (Rylands High).

## Higher Education:

- Started hifth by Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamin.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt.
- Completed the 'Ālim course at Dār al-'Ulūm al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand, which runs under the auspices of Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan.

### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismā il Londt.
- Completed the six year 'Ālim course at DUAI.

Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿī (Malawi) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

He also received *ijāzah* from many scholars, local and international alike. Local scholars include Moulana Yūsuf Karaan, Sheikh Muḥammad Amīn Fakier, Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan, Moulana 'Alā' al-Dīn al-Afghānī, Moulana Faḍl al-Raḥmān al-A'ṭḥamī and Moulana Ismā'īl 'Ali. The international scholars include Sayyidī al-Ḥabīb 'Umar

ibn Ḥafīṭḥ, al-Ḥabīb Sālim al-Shāṭirī, al-Ḥabīb ʿAli Mash-hūr ibn Ḥafīṭḥ, al-Ḥabīb Abū Bakr Mash-hūr al-ʿAdnī, Sheikh Muḥammad ʿAwwāmah, Sayyid Sharīf Sanūsī, Moulana ʿAbd al-Ḥafīṭḥ al-Makkī, Sheikh Maḥmūd Saʿīd Mamdūḥ, Sheikh Muḥammad Akram al-Nadwī, al-Ḥabīb ʿUmar al-Jaylānī, al-Sayyid Aḥmad ibn Abī Bakr al-Ḥabshī, Mufti M. Rafīʿ al-ʿUthmānī, and Sheikh Yaḥyā al-Ghouthānī, among others. These *ijāzāt* received by Moulana ʿAbd al-Raḥmān links him to all major Hadith sources. It would also link him to books of *Tafsīr*, *Fiqh*, *Uṣūl*, *Tajwīd*, *Qirāʾāt* as well as other Islamic sciences.

#### Teachers:

#### In the Qur'an:

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie completed the study of the Shāṭibiyyah by him. Also studied Tajwīd with him, including the Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt completed hifth of the Qur'ān by him and currently reciting the narration of Ḥafs to him via the Shāṭibiyyah. Also studied Arabic, the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī and a portion of the Jazariyyah by him.
- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿī received sanad and ijāzah in the Qirāʾah of Kisāʾī from him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander reciting the *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far to him.
- Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamin started *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Fahmi Parker memorised parts of the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana 'Ādil Johaar memorised certain sections of the Qur'ān by him.

#### In Islamic studies:

- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan studied various Islamic disciplines. Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān still remains under the tutelage of Moulana Ṭāhā, studying many aspects of the diverse Islamic sciences.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali studied Hadith related sciences.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied "Ulūm al-Qur'ān by him.

Moulana Ibrāhīm Ghafūr – studied *Tafsīr* and Hadith by him.

Moulana Sulaymān Ables – studied *Tafsīr* by him

Moulana Shāmil Ras – studied sections of Ghazālī's *Iḥyā' 'Ulūm al-Dīn* by

him.

Past and Current Activities:

Delivers khutbahs at various mosques in the Western Cape.

Lecturer of Muslim Personal Law, Islamic legal theory, Hadith (Prophetic

traditions) and related sciences, as well as Tafsīr (Qur'ānic exegesis) at Dār al-

'Ulūm 'Arabiyyah Islāmiyyah (DUAI) in Strand.

Was previously a lecturer at Dar al-Na'im, Wynberg, which runs under the

auspices of Moulana 'Ali Gouda.

Also forms part of the research faculty at DUAI.

Reciting the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* to Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt.

Reciting the *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far to Sheikh Muḥammad Philander.

Conducts various classes in the fields of *Figh* and Hadith.

Currently the imam at Masjid al-Rahman, in Garlandale.

Founder and rector of Dar al-Turath al-Islamī (DTI).

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## 'Abd al-Salām Kenny

Mother's name: Maryam

Father's name: Ibrāhīm

## Early studies:

- Started his basic Islamic studies informally with his parents, Mu'allim Ibrāhīm and Mu'allimah Maryam.
- Attended Madrasat al-Ishrāq, 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Masjid, Lotus River here he successfully completed the grade 1-6 and Sunday youth class syllabus. At this madrasah he also studied Qur'ān recitation, Fiqh, Touḥīd, Islamic History, Akhlāq and practical Ṣalāh daily. Ḥafitḥ Moulana 'Abd al-Salām graduated from the institution in 1997.
- He matriculated in 1999 from Bridgetown High School.

## **Higher Studies:**

January 2000 - he enrolled at the Hafith Academy and Qur'ān Literacy Trust under the directorship of Ḥāfiṭḥ Riḍwān Ismail. Here he spent 2 years where he did a basic *Tajwīd* course and memorised 9 *juz* collectively under the tutelage of Sheikh Shoukat Allie and Ḥāfiṭḥ Dr Riḍwān Ismail.

2002 - he was admitted at Madrassah Taʿlīm al-Dīn in Lenasia, Gauteng, run by (the late) Ḥāfiṭḥ Abd al-Raḥmān Ebrahim Mia who was 90 years of age at the time. Here he completed the memorisation of the Qurʾān at the hands of Ḥāfiṭḥ Abd al-Raḥmān Mia and read an additional 8 *khatms* to him. He also read 20 *juz* to (the late) Ḥāfiṭḥ Mūsā Takolia, 13 *khatms* to Moulana Muḥammad Ebrahim Mia (eldest son of Ḥāfiṭḥ Abd al-Raḥmān Mia) and 5 *juz* to Ḥāfiṭḥ Muḥammed Shafiq Haffejee. Both Ḥāfiṭḥ Abd al-Raḥmān and Ḥāfiṭḥ Mūsā passed while he was learning from them.

December 2005 – 2012 – he enrolled at Dār al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā. Here he completed the 7 year 'Ālim Fāḍil course. Among the subjects he studied here were Urdu, Arabic, Farsi, 'Aqīdah, Fiqh, Qur'ān translation, Taſsīr, Ḥadīth, Tajwīd and Islamic history.

September 2012 — he enrolled at Dār al-Tayyibah al-Nashr Institute and read the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* to Sheikh Iḥsān Davids. He also read the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* to him, receiving *ijāzah* in both texts.

2013 - he received ijāzah 'āmmah from Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt.

### Qualifications:

- Graduated from Madrasat al-Ishrāq in 1997.
- Matriculated at Bridgetown High School in 1999.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* at Madrassah Taʻlīm al-Dīn in 2005.
- Graduated from Dār al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā in 2012

## Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The Tuḥfah.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Mu'allim Ibrāhīm Kenny (father) informal basic teachings of Islam.
- Muʻallimah Maryam (mother) informal basic teachings of Islam.
- Laṭīfah Benjamin (maternal aunt) did Qur'ān recitation, Fiqh, Touḥīd,
   Islamic History, Akhlāq and practical Şalāh by her.

## Madrasah al-Ishrāq –

- Mu'allimah Khayr al-Nisā' Frank
- Mu'allimah Ḥawwā' Jacobs (grade 1 teacher)
- Mu'allimah Zulaykhah Van Dieman (grade 2 teacher)
- Mu'allimah Khadījah Baderoen
- Mu'allimah Zaynab Samsodien
- Sheikh Mahdie Hendricks (imām, principal)
- Mu'allim Yusuf Waghied (now professor of Stellenbosch University/principal)
- Mu'allim Muḥsin Hendricks (grade 6 teacher, 1996)
- Mu'allim Shabodien (temporary principal)
- Muʻallim Muḥammad Sheikh Dīn Molte (Sunday youth class teacher 1997)
- Boeta Kamaal Karriem (chairman)

## Dār al-ʿUlūm Zakariyyā —

- Mufti Riḍāʾ al-Ḥaqq studied the first half of Tafsīr al-Jalālayn, the third volume of al-Hidāyah, the first half of the Ṣaḥīḥ of Bukhārī, first half of the Ṣaḥīḥ of Muslim, the Sunan of Ibn Mājah, the Sunan of Nasāʾī, Mukhtaṣar al-Magāṣid al-Ḥasanah by him. Received ijāzah in Hadīth from him.
- Mufti Muḥammed 'Ali studied Arabic, Manṭiq, volume two of al-Hidāyah, the volume one of the Jāmi' of Tirmidhī. Received ijāzah in Ḥadīth from him.
- Moulana Shabīr Saloojee (principal) studied the first half of Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ, the second half of the Ṣaḥīḥ of Bukhārī by him. He received ijāzah in Hadīth from him.
- Moulana 'Alā' al-Dīn studied Arabic *Uṣūl al-Fiqh*, volume four of *al-Hidāyah* and volume two of *Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī* by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Chocksi studied Ṣarf, the 40 ḥadīth of Imam Nawawī,
   Uṣūl al-Shāsī, the first volume of al-Hidāyah, volume one of the Ṣaḥīḥ of

- Muslim, the *Muwaṭṭa*' of Imam Mālik and the *Muwaṭṭa*' of Imam Muḥammad by him. Received *ijāzah* in Ḥadīth from him.
- Moulana 'Abbās Sarigat studied Farsi, Arabic and Sharḥ Ma'ānī al-Āthār by him. Received ijāzah in Ḥadīth by him.
- Moulana 'Uthmān Mewati studied Arabic grammar, the Maqāmāt of Ḥarīrī, 'Aqīdah al-Ṭaḥāwī, Sharḥ Aqā'id al-Nasafiyyah and the Sunan of Abū Dāwūd by him. Received ijāzah in Hadīth from him.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq studied *Tashīl al-Tajwīd*, *Fawā'ide Makkiyyah*, the *Jazariyyah* and his personal notes on *Tajwīd* by him. Read a *khatm* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*. Also read various portions of the Qur'ān to him in *tartīl*, *tadwīr* and *ḥadr* from memory. Received *ijazah* in the six authentic books of Hadīth from him.
- Moulana Qari Rashīd Dhabelia studied Urdu, Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn, Kanz al-Daqā'iq, Sirājī fī al-Mīrāth, Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ by him.
- Moulana Talḥah Attas studied basic Fiqh and duʿās by him.
- Moulana Junayd Doodhia studied Urdu and assessed in his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Moulana Qāri Burhān Mia studied Urdu grammar, Arabic and Mukhtaṣar al-Qudūrī by him. Was also assessed in his hifth by him.
- Moulana Qāri Sulaymān Moola studied the 40 ḥadīth Imam Nawawī, duʿās, and translation of juz 21-30 by him.
- Moulana Qāri Mubīn Essa studied Arabic by him.
- Moulana Qāri Ṣāliḥ Peck studied 'Umdat al-Sālik, Khulāṣah Nūr al-Yaqīn, al-Fawā'id al-Tajwīdiyyah, Jāmi' al-Waqf, Ma'rifah al-Wuqūf. Read various suwar (chapters) of the Qur'ān to him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Quddūs Qāsimī studied Arabic, translation of juz 1-12 in Urdu.

## Other teachers -

• Moulana Faḍl al-Raḥmān al-Aʿṭḥamī — received *ijāzah* in Ḥadīth from him.

 Sheikh Iḥsān Davids — received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Was a volunteer worker at the South African National Zakaah Fund (Sanzaf).
- Was a volunteer worker for Muslim Views.
- Performed "imamate" at Khanga Masjid Sheikh Zakariyyā, Lenasia.
- In 2010 he lead the *Tarāwīḥ* Prayers in Jamaica.
- In 2011 he lead the *Tarāwīḥ* Prayers on Vietnam.
- Currently teaching at Dār al-Qur'ān Institute and Dār al-'Ilm Academy since 2012.

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### Abū Bakr Abrahams

Mother's name: Zulaykhah Abrahams

Father's name: Muḥammad Yūsuf Abrahams

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by his parents.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Moulana Shu'ayb Adam.
- Attended the madrasah of Sheikh Yūsuf Booley at his house. He attended the full-time and afternoon madrasah. Here he studied subjects like *Fiqh* and *'Aqīdah* in the afternoons.
- Attended madrasah by Moulana Shams al-Zamān at Goulhurst Masjid.
- Also attended the madrasah of Moulana Shu'ayb Adam and Moulana Yūnus Essop.

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana Shuʻayb Adam.

#### Qualifications:

• Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana Shuʿayb Adam.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Moulana Ibrāhīm Darries in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) Text of Sheikh Saʿīd ʿAbd Allah for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
  - 3) Text of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) The *Tuḥfah*.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.
  - 4) Fatḥ al-Karīm of Sheikh 'Ali al-Ḍabbā'.

#### Teachers:

- Moulana Ṭāriq studied Islamic history by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Ables studied Al-Tibyān fī 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān and Manāhil al-Trfān by him.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali studied Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth, 'Aqīdah, Fiqh al-Manhajī, Kubrā al-Yaqīniyyāt and al-Wajīz in Uṣūl al-Fiqh by him.
- Moulana Azhar studied Manhaj al-Naqd, Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥin, and "Rijāl" via the Jāmi of al-Tirmidhī by him.
- Moulana Ya'qūb 'Abd Allah studied Fiqh al-Manhajī, Fiqh al-Ḥadīth via the Jāmi' of al-Tirmidhī, al-Raf' wa al-Takmīl and Mughnī al-Muḥtāj by him.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Saloojee studied Fiqh al-Sīrah by him.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor studied Miftāḥ al-Uṣūl, Fiqh al-Manhajī and the Tafsīr of Ibn Kathīr by him.
- Moulana Shāmil Ras studied Minhāj al-'Ābidīn and Iḥyā' 'Ulūm al-Dīn by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied basic Tajwīd, the Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl, the Jazariyya, and Al-Tibyān fī Ādāb Ḥamalat al-Qur'ān of Imam Nawawī by him. He also read Fatḥ al-Karīm of 'Ali al-Dabbā' to him. Also read 18 juz in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the ṭarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah to him. Received sanad and ijāzah from him after he completed an entire khatm by Moulana Ibrāhīm Darries.
- Moulana Irshād Sedick studied Manāhil al-Irfān, Tafsīr al-Jalālayn, Mughnī al-Muḥtāj and the Sunan of Abū Dāwūd by him.

- Moulana Ismail studied al-Wajīz in Uṣūl al-Fiqh by him.
- Moulana Yusri Jabodien completed the first year "'ālim course" by him. Also studied life orientation and technology by him from grade eight till 11.
- Moulana Ḥusayn Arnold studied economics, social science and Afrikaans from grade eight till 11 by him.
- Moulana Anwar Humbles studied English, mathematics, natural science from grade eight till 11 by him. Also did Qur'ān translation by him.
- Moulana Mustaqīm Paulse completed recitation of four and a half juz to him via the tarīq of the Shātibiyyah.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Darries completed a khatm by him in the narration of Ḥafş via the turuq of the Tayyibah.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied al-Wajīz, Mughnī al-Muḥtāj and al-I'tiqād by him.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Booley completed the "surat" (yassarn al-quran) by him. Also memorised two and a half juz by him.
- Sheikh Sulaymān assisted with my *ḥifṭḥ* at Sheikh Booley. Also did *Fiqh* and *'Aqīdah* by him in the afternoon class.
- Moulana Shams al-Zamān revision of juz 29, 30 and the first half of juz one. Memorised until the first half of juz eight by him.
- Moulana Shu'ayb revised the previously memorised ajzā' and completed the remainder by Moulana Shu'ayb.
- Moulana Yūnus did the "manzil" examination of the Qur'ān by him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān.
- Completed matric.
- Currently studying at DUAI, fourth year.
- Currently studying at Unisa, first year.

- Currently teaching *ḥifṭḥ* and afternoon madrasah.
- Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.

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## Abū Bakr Qāsim Ismail

Mother's name: Ḥawwā' 'Abd Allah Raynard Ismail

Father's name: Muḥammad Qāsim Abū Bakr Ismail

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by his uncle, Haji Muḥammad Nūr Raynard and Imam Yūsuf Achmat, also known as Imam Yourie.
- Completed first khatm by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.

### Higher Education:

- Started hifth by Sheikh Hanif Moos.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.
- Revised the Qur'ān by the late Imam Malik Heuwel at Yusufiyyah Mosque.
- Studied Arabic and Islamic studies by previous president of the Muslim Judicial Council (MJC), Sheikh Naṭḥīm Muḥammad.
- Also did Arabic and Islamic studies by Imam Abū Bakr Simon at Yusufiyyah Mosque.
- Diploma in Islamic Law (sharī'ah) and Arabic from the Arabic Language Center (Sheikh Ḥanīf Kamaar).
- Diploma in Arabic, Ḥadith, Taſsīr and Islamic law from Qāsim al-ʿUlūm, Cape Town.
- Arabic Diploma from the University of Medina.
- Arabic course at Markaz Fajr (Egypt).
- Studied Arabic at Markaz Nile (Egypt).
- Studied seven years at the Azhar University in Cairo.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos at Madrasat al-Najāḥ.

#### Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Ḥasanayn Jibrīl (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Ṭayyibah.

#### Teachers:

- His father, Muḥammad Qāsim Ismail learned to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Haji Muḥammad Nūr Raynard learned to recited the Qur'ān by him.
- Imam Yūsuf Achmat learned to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos completed ḥifṭḥ of the Qur'ān by him.
- Imam Malik Heuwel revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Ḥanīf Kamaar did Arabic and Islamic studies by him.
- Moulana Iḥsān Rupen studied Arabic and Islamic studies by him.
- Sheikh Naṭḥīm Taliep studied *Fiqh* by him.
- Moulana Ismāʿīl ʿAli studied Islamic Law by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Hendricks studied Fiqh and Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn of Imam Nawawī by him.
- Sheikh Āmin Fakier studied Tafsīr by him, with reference to Ṣafwat al-Tafāsīr of Sheikh Muḥammad 'Ali Ṣābūnī.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie attended an *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* lecture series presented by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt studied Tajwīd by him.
- Sheikh Naṭḥīm Muḥammad did Arabic and Islamic studies by him.
- Imam Abū Bakr Simon studied Touḥīd, Fiqh and Arabic by him.

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Ra'ūf 'Abd al-Ra'ūf studied Fiqh with reference to Bulūgh al-Marām of Ibn Ḥajar.
- Sheikh Abū Bakr 'Abd al-Ra'ūf studied 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Gasieb Jacobs studied conversational Arabic by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Salie studied Fiqh of the Four Schools of jurisprudence by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Qallīnī revised the Qur'ān and studied *Tajwīd* by him.
- Sheikh Ḥasanayn Jibrīl received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.
- Sheikh Ṭāhā Al-Faḍl studied Fiqh by him.
- Ustādh Sharīf did Primary and High School studies with him based on the Azhar School curriculum.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Yāsīn Shaʿrāwī studied the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah by him.

#### Students:

The following students have memorised the entire Qur'ān:

- Shuʻayb Jabbaar —completed
- Aḥmad Williams —completed
- Mas'ūd De Roos –completed
- Munīb Ismail —completed
- 'Abd al-Raḥmān James —completed
- Ibrāhīm Abrahams —completed
- Ḥasan Davids –completed
- Muḥammad Ṭḥāfir Kader –completed
- Hājirah Lakay —completed

- Malikah Allaway –completed
- Khadījah De Roos –completed
- Razānah Arendse –completed
- Mujāhidah James —completed

## Past and Current Activities:

- Madrasah teacher at Douglas Road Primary School, Wynberg.
- Madrasah teacher at Talfala Primary School, Sherwood Park.
- Previously had a hifth school at Masjid al-Jamā'ah, Sherwood Park.
- Led the *Tarāwīḥ* Prayer at Masjid al-Jamā'ah for many years.
- Was assistant imam to Imam 'Umar Slamang at Masjid al-Jumu'ah in Westridge.
- Led the *Tarāwīḥ* Prayers at the same mosque and was the acting *madrasah* teacher there.
- Previously had a *ḥifṭḥ* school at his home in Westridge, Mitchell's Plain.
- Was assistant imam to Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.
- Led the *Tarāwīḥ* Prayer with Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos at a house in Strandfontein (Boeta Iebie's house).
- Served five years as assistant imam of Masjid al-Baḥr in Strandfontein with Sheikh Abū Bakr 'Abd al-Ra'ūf.
- Currently the official imam of Masjid al-Baḥr.
- Principal of Madrasat al-Baḥr.
- Also the principal of Dār Abī Qāsim Hifth School for girls and boys which runs from Masjid al-Baḥr.

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### Abū Bakr West

Mother's name: Khadījah

Father's name: 'Irfan

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'ān by his mother, Khadījah.
- Completed first khatm by Sheikh Ḥusayn Inglis.

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥafiṭḥ Shafīq Wentzel.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥafiṭḥ Shafīq Wentzel.
- Completed the 'Ālim Fāḍil course at Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle.
- Completed Islamic Sharī'ah Dimploma in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- Studied the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī by Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
- Read the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*, the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī and the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī to Sheikh Abū Muḥammd Idrīs al-Shāf'ī.
- Received sanad and ijāzah from Sheikh Muḥammad Philander in the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far via the Durrah.

## Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥafiṭḥ Shafīq Wentzel.

## Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far via the *Durrah*.

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammd Idrīs al-Shāfī (Malawi) in:
  - 1) Transmitting the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) Transmitting the *ṭuruq* of Ḥafṣ via *al-Tajrīd*, the *Rouḍah* of Abū 'Ali al-Mālikī and *al-Tidhkār* from the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 3) The Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.
- Sheikh Fayşal Mustaghanmī (Algeria) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Nāfi' via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The Qirā'ah of Ibn Kathīr via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
  - 2) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ.
  - 3) Text of Sheikh 'Āmir Sayyid 'Uthmān for *qaṣr al-munfaṣil* via the *Roudah* of Mu'addil.
  - 4) Text of Sheikh Saʿīd ʿAbd Allah for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
  - 5) Text of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
  - 6) Fatḥ al-Karīm of Sheikh 'Ali al-Ḍabbā'.
- Moulana Sayyid Naqīb (Malaysia) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Moulana Muḥammad Ilyās (Malaysia) in:
  - 1) The narration of Sūsī via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.

#### Teachers:

• Ḥafiṭḥ Shafīq Wentzel – completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie completed the *Tuḥfah* by him, and read 11 juz to him in the narration of Ḥafs via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far.
- Sheikh Abū Muḥammd Idrīs al-Shāfʿī read a khatm to him in the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī, as well as the narration of Ḥafṣ via al-Tajrīd, al-Tidhkār and the Rouḍah of al-Mālikī.
- Sheikh Fayṣal al-Mustaghanmī studying the Shāṭibiyyah as well as reading the Seven Qirā'āt to him. Received sanad and ijāzah from in the Qirā'ah of Nāfi' and the Qirā'ah of Ibn Kathīr.
- Sheikh Firouz al-Dīn Ādam studied Balāghah and the Ṣaḥīḥ of Muslim by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Bāsha studied Balāghah and Arabic by him.
- Moulana Qāsim Sema studied the Ṣaḥīḥ of Bukhārī by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Qādir Ḥusayn studied *Uṣūl* by him.
- Moulana Akram studied the Sunan of Abū Dāwūd and the Ṣaḥīḥ of Muslim by him.
- Mufti Fayyāḍ al-Raḥmān studied Hidāyah in Hanafi Fiqh by him.

#### Students:

• Muḥammad Zubayr Karaan – read the *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far to him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Was an imam at a masjid in Newcastle.
- Taught *ḥifṭḥ* at Newcastle Islamic Centre.
- Currently teaching Arabic, Fiqh, 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān and Tajwīd at Madrasat al-Fadīlah for Girls.
- Currently one of appointed the imams at the Jāmi'ah Masjid in Strand.

- Currently studying the *Shāṭibiyyah* and reciting the Seven *Qirā'āt* by Sheikh Fayṣal al-Mustaghanmī al-Jazā'irī.
- Currently studying BA Honours at University of Western Cape.
- In 1996 he performed Tarāwīḥ in Tanzania with his teacher, Ḥafiṭḥ Shafīq Wentzel.
- Conducts *ḥifṭḥ* classes from his house in Strand for boys and girls.
- Reading the narration of Ḥafṣ via various *turuq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to Moulana Salīm Gaibie, as well as studying some texts by him.
- Studying the *Jazariyyah* by Moulana Yaʻqūb ʻAbd Allah.

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## Afdal Hatia

Father's name: Muḥammad Sayeid Hatia

Mother's name: Farīdah Soosiwala Hatia

### Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by Bashir Ustaad, Mu'allimah Shahidah and Mu'allimah Karsaani.
- Completed his first *khatm* by his father, Muḥammad Sayeid.
- Attended madrasah at Habibiyah Soofie Masjid.

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana 'Abd al-Ḥaqq Makada.
- Completed hifth by Sheikh 'Abd al-Rahmān Salie.
- High schooled at Burnwood Secondary.
- Studied A+ and N+.
- Trained and qualified in software and hardware of atm machines via Diebold.
- Completed a one year course at Dar al-Turath al-Islami.
- Studied part time for duration of three years at Dar al-Na<sup>c</sup>im, Wynberg.
- Completed the 'Ālim course at Dār al-'Ulūm al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand, which runs under the auspices of Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan.

## Qualifications:

- Completed hifth by Sheikh 'Abd al-Rahmān Salie.
- Completed the six year 'Ālim course at DUAI.

## Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) The Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 4) The *Qirā'āh* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 5) Murshid al-Qāri by Moulana Salīm.
  - 6) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
  - 7) Commentary of Sheikh al-Dabbā' on the *Tuḥfah*.
  - 8) The Jazariyyah.
  - 9) The text of Sheikh Saʿīd ʿAbd Allah for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
  - 10) The text of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
  - 11) The text of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān for the tarīq of the Rouḍah.
  - 12) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
  - 13) Commentary of Khālid al-Azharī on the Jazariyyah.
  - 14) Commentary of Sheikh Zakariyyā al-Anṣārī on the *Jazariyyah*.
  - 15) Aysar al-Aqwāl by Moulana Saleem Gaibie.
  - 16) The Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 17) Ghunya al-Ṭalabah by Moulana Saleem Gaibie.
  - 18) Al-La'āli' al-Naqiyyah by Moulana Saleem Gaibie.
  - 19) The books of Sheikh Toufiq Damrah.
- Moulana Luqmān Ben in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far via the *Durrah*.
  - 2) The Qirā'ah of Ya'qūb via the Durrah.

#### Teachers:

- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan studied Ḥadīth and Figh by him.
- Moulana Yā'qūb ibn Yūsuf ibn 'Abd Allah studied *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* by him.

- Moulana Riyāḍ Saloojee studied Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth and 'Aqīdah by him.
- Moulana Shāmil Ras studied sections of Imam Ghazāli's Iḥyā', as well as various other texts.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali studied comparative religion and 'Aqīdah by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Fiqh by him. Received ijāzah from from him for the 40 hadīth of Mullā 'Ali al-Qāri' on the Qur'ān.
- Moulana Anwar Humbles studied Tafsīr by him via Tafsīr al-Jalālayn.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor studied Tafsīr by him via the Tafsīr of Ibn Kathīr.
- Moulana Shabīr Galant studied Ḥadīth by him.
- Moulana Ismā'īl Malazi studied *Magaṣid al-Sharī'ah* by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie read a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah, as well as the narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah. Rendered a khatm to him combining the Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah. Also studied various texts in Tajwīd and Qirā'āt by him, as well as 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān.
- Moulana Azhar Pathan studied *Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth* and *Sīrah* by him.
- Moulana Muḥammad Carr studied *Ḥadīth* by him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder did Qur'ān translation by him.
- Moulana Irshād Sedick studied Athar al-Ikhtilāf by him.
- Moulana Luqmān Ben read a khatm to him in the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far and Ya'qūb via the Durrah.

#### Written Works:

The Legacy of Qāri Ayyūb: a Discourse on the Principles of the Shāṭibiyyah

 a commentary on the famous Shāṭibiyyah written collectively with Ibrāhīm
 Darries, Mustaqīm Paulse and Luqmān Ben.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Previously worked as customer services engineer (CSE) and technical support for Diebold.
- Currently teaching first year naḥw, second year Qur'ān Tafsīr and Fiqh, as well as 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān and Tajwīd to the fourth years at Dār al-Turāth al-Islāmī (DTI).
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## Ahmad Mahdi Nackerdien

Mother's name: Fāṭimah

Father's name: Ibrāhīm

## Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān and initial Islamic studies by his aunt, Şabīḥah, in Vredenberg.
- Completed first *khatm* by his aunt, Ṣabīḥah.

### **Higher Studies:**

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana Manga in Dār al-ʿUlūm Newcastle.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad at Dār al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā.
- Completed three years of the 'Ālim course at Dār al-'Ulūm al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), in Strand.
- Spent two years in Egypt where he studied Arabic at Markaz al-Fajr, eventually graduating from the institute.
- Received sanad and ijāzah in Egypt from Sheikh Aḥmad ibn al-Sayyid al-Qallīnī for the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim.
- Memorised and studied the uṣūl of the Shāṭibiyyah by Sheikh 'Āshūr, in Egypt.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad

## Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Aḥmad ibn al-Sayyid al-Qallīnī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Mu'allimah Şabīḥah did initial Islamic studies, as well as learning how to read the Qur'ān with her. Also completed his first *khatm* of the Qur'ān by her.
- Moulana Manga started hifth of the Qur'ān by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad completed ḥifṭḥ of the Qur'ān by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nūr Bhai read a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ and received ijāzah from him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied Tajwīd, the Tuḥfah, most of the Jazariyyah, as well as read 10 juz of the Qur'ān to him.
- Moulana 'Ādil Johār revised the Qur'ān with him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad ibn al-Sayyid al-Qallīnī read a khatm via the narrations of Ḥafş and Shu'bah and received sanad and ijāzah from the Sheikh.
- Sheikh 'Āshūr memorised and studied the *uṣūl* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* by him.

#### Students:

- Ikrām Solomons completed *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh (2010).
- Fāṭimah Titus completed her *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.
- Ra'īs Nackerdien completed hifth by the Sheikh. Also received ijāzah in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim.
- La'īq Hattas received *ijāzah* from the Sheikh in the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim as well as in the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*.

## Past and Current Activities:

- Took part twice in the national Qur'ān competition in South Africa, once in Johannesburg and then in Cape Town. At both occasions he came second.
- Represented South Africa in the International hifth competition in Libya.

- Previously a hifth teacher at al-Amīn Hāfith School, run by Sheikh 'Ali
  Davids. He also teaches Tajwīd, the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah at this school.
- Currently also the assistant imam at Masjid al-Şabr in Primrose Park. He also conducts *Tajwīd* classes at the masjid.
- Currently reading the 10 *Qirā'āt* to Sheikh Iḥsān Davids (completed 19 *juz* thusfar).
- Currently runs his own hifth school, Madrasah Ahl al-Qur'ān, which specialises in hifth and Tajwīd; teaching the Tuhfah and the Jazariyyah. It caters for both males and females and offers Arabic, basic Fiqh, Qur'ān translation, academic subjects like English, mathematics and science, du'ās, qaṣā'id, as well as physical training like silat.

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## Akhlāq Oldey

Mother's name: Maḥmūda Olday

Father's name: 'Abd al-Majīd Olday

## Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Imam Ḥasan Walele.
- Attended Madrasat al-Hasanah under the auspices of Imam Ḥasan Walele and Madrasat al-Quds.

### **Higher Education:**

- Started hifth by Sheikh Fu'ād Isaacs, Mu'allim Dāwūd Booley and Mu'allim Feroze Muhommed.
- Matriculated in 2003.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* at Dār Ubaiy (2004-2005).
- Did a four year part time Arabic course at Dar al-Na'im.

## Qualifications:

• Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* at Dār Ubaiy (under various teachers).

## Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nadhīr Majiet in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Muʻaddil.
  - 2) The narration of Sūsī via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) The *Tuḥfah*.
- Sheikh Sālim Peck in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) The written works of Sheikh Toufiq Damrah in *Qirā'āt*.
- Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.

#### Teachers:

- Imam Ḥasan Walele learnt how to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Isaacs started *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Mu'allim Dāwūd Booley started *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Mu'allim Feroze Muhommed started *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Muʻallim Fahmi Londt memorised 13 ajzā' by him.
- Moulana Abū Bakr Taliep memorised 17 ajzā' in his class.
- Sheikh Ḥusayn Dalvie assisted him in memorising at Dār Ubaiy.
- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Alawie Alexander assisted him in memorising at Dār Ubaiy.
- Sheikh Abū Bakr Ismail assisted him in memorising at Dār Ubaiy.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt assisted him in memorising at Dār Ubaiy.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nadhīr Majiet read a khatm to him combining the narrations of Ḥāfṣ via the Rouḍah and Sūsī via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Sālim Peck read a khatm to him in the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie read the differences in the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain turuq of the Tayyibah and received ijāzah from him. Also received ijāzah from him for all the books of Sheikh Toufīq Damrah in Qirā'āt.

Sheikh Iḥsān Davids — read the differences in the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah and received ijāzah from him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Been teaching part time *ḥifṭḥ* at Dar Ubaiy for 5 years.
- Currently a student at Al-Tanzīl Institute of Qur'ānic Sciences.

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### 'Ali Davids

Mother's name: Khayr al-Nisā'

Father's name: 'Umar

### Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by Imam Malik and Sheikh Muḥammad Yūsuf Booley.
- He finished his first khatm of the Qur'ān at the hands of Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.

#### Further studies:

- Started and completed hifth of the Qur'an at the capable hands of Sheikh Yusuf Booley.
- Islamic and Arabic studies at Dar al-Arqam, under the auspices of the MJC.
- Studied *Tajwīd* and the *Tuḥfah* by Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

# Qualifications:

- Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- Received sanad in Ḥafṣ via the ṭarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah from Sheikh Ḥasan Rajab.
- Read the narration of Ḥafṣ with qaṣr in munfaṣil via the ṭarīq of the Ṭayyibah and the narration of Shu'bah to Sheikh Maḥmūd Amīn Ṭanṭāwī and received ijāzah in it (without sanad).

Sheikh 'Ali received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ḥasan Rajab (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Yūsuf Booley completed his *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qurʾān by him.
- Sheikh Ḥasan Rajab recited the Qur'ān to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Maḥmūd Amīn Ṭanṭāwī recited the narration of Ḥafṣ with qaṣr in munfaṣil and the narration of Shuʿbah via the ṭarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah to him.
- Sheikh Yāsīn Sha'rāwī learnt *Tajwīd* and *magāmāt* by him.

#### Students:

• Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Abbas Moerat — received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from the Sheikh in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

#### Past and current activities:

- Was previously a *ḥifṭḥ* teacher at Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā' (JEQ).
- Currently has his own *ḥifṭḥ* school, Al-Amīn Hāfith Institute.

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Sheikh 'Ali attained  $3^{rd}$  place in the South African national  $qir\bar{a}$ 'ah competition in 2007 and currently resides in Schaapkraal.

### Amīr Brinkhuis

Mother's name: Fayrūz

Father's name: Ismā'īl

# Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by Mu'allimah Lamīsah Gabriels and Sheikh Zahīr Kamaldien.
- He finished his first *khatm* of the Qur'ān by Sheikh 'Ali Davids.

#### Further studies:

- Started his *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt.
- Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān by Sheikh 'Ali Davids.
- Completed a one-year Arabic course by Moulana Wāṣif De Vries in 2012.

# Qualifications:

- Matriculated from Grassy Park High, Night school.
- Completed his hifth by Sheikh 'Ali Davids.

# He received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Zahīr Kamaldien in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Aṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The Qirā'ah of Nāfi' via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) The Tuḥfah.
  - 4) The Jazariyyah.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Obaray in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.

- 2) Murshid al-Qāri of Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
- 3) The *Tuḥfah*.
- 4) Sharḥ Ṣaghīr of Sheikh al-Dabbā' on the Tuḥfah.
- 5) The Jazariyyah.
- 6) Al-Fawā'id al-Makkiyyah of Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān al-Makkī.
- 7) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ.
- 8) Text of Sheikh 'Āmir Sayyid 'Uthmān for *qaṣr al-munfaṣil* via the *Roudah* of Mu'addil.
- 9) Text of Sheikh Saʻīd ʻAbd Allah for the *ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ*.
- 10) Text of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
- 11) Umniyyat al-Walhān of Sheikh Ibrāhīm al-Samannūdī.
- Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of Ibn Kathīr via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The Tuhfah.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt started memorisation of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Ḥusayn Dalvie memorised a few *juz* by him.
- Hāfith 'Alawī Alexander memorised portions of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Riḍwān Saiet memorised portions of the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Obaray recited a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via various turuq of the Tayyibah and received ijāzah from him. Also studied numerous texts by him, including 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids recited a khatm to the Sheikh in the Qirā'ah of Ibn Kathīr and received ijāzah from the Sheikh.
- Sheikh Sālim Peck studied Arabic, Qur'ān translation and the *Tibyān* of Imam al-Nawawi by him.

#### Past and current activities:

- Peformed *Tarāwīḥ* in Lesotho for past five years.
- Took part in the South African hifth competition finals held in Cape Town in 2009 and 2010.
- Represented South Africa internationally in Dubai and Mecca in 2012.
- Currently studying at al-Tanzīl Institute of Qur'ānic Sciences which runs under the guidance of Moulana Saleem Gaibie.
- Conducts private classes in Ottery.

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### 'Ammār Nackerdien

Mother's name: Fayrūz Nackerdien

Father's name: 'Abd al-Rahmān Nackerdien

# Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by his father, 'Abd al-Raḥmān, and his grandmother, Jawayer Ismail.
- Also learnt Qur'ānic literacy at the al-Azhar Institute in Paarl, as well as his uncle, Aḥmad Ismail.
- He completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh 'Ali Davids.
- Attended al-Islaah Institute in Paarl.
- Memorised the Qur'ān at al-Ameen Hafith Institute.

# Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Amīn Abduraoft in 2010 at al-Ameen Hafith Institute.
- Completed hifth by Sheikh 'Ali Davids in 2012 at al-Ameen Hafith Institute.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Ali Davids in 2012 at al-Ameen Hafith Institute.

He received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Zahīr Kamaldien in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Aṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

#### Past and Current Activities:

2010 – 1st position in class (1st year ḥifṭḥ).

2010 – 1st position in class Islamic studies.

 $2011-2^{\text{nd}}$  position in class for 0-25 ajzā'.

 $2012 - 2^{nd}$  position in class for the full Qur'ān.

2012 – received the "men of honour" shield.

2013 – 1st position for 20 ajzā' category in Town Centre Masjid (hifth competition).

2013 – lead the *Tarāwīḥ* in Paarl.

2014 – 1st position in national Qur'ān competition in the 15 ajzā' category.

2014 – took part in national Qur'ān competition Gauteng.

2014 — lead the  $Tar\bar{a}w\bar{i}h$  in Paarl.

2015 – lead the *Tarāwīḥ* in Walvis Bay, Namibia.

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### Anīs Omar

Mother's name: Fāṭimah Omar

Father's name: 'Abd al-Wahhāb Omar

# **Early Studies:**

- Learn to read the Qur'ān by Mu'allimah Munawwarah Abduraouf Johaadien.
- Completed his first khatm by Sheikh Majedie Essa.
- Attended D\(\bar{a}\)r al-Fut\(\bar{u}\)h Madrasah, Athlone.
- Also attended Darul Islam, Surrey Estate.
- Further attended Ma'rifatullah Madressa, Athlone.
- Attended Al- Azhar Primary School until grade five, when he subsequently left to do full-time hifth at Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā' (JEQ).
- Did part-time hifth at Darul Islam Hafith School and memorised 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> juz.

# Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā' (JEQ) Hafith Institute in 2002.
- Completed 30 juz at JEQ in 2003.
- Thereafter he did revision and graduated from Dār Zaid Bin Thaabit under Sheikh Majedie Essa in 2004.
- Completed the two year Arabic course at Dar al-Na<sup>c</sup>im − 2013 and 2014.
- Currently studying the Alimiyyah Course at Dar al-Ulum al-Arabiyyah al-Islamiyyah (DUAI) in Strand.

#### Qualifications

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* on 19 August 2003.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Sāmī Shaḥḥātah 'Abd al-Bāqī 'Ali (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, via the *Rouḍah* of Muʻaddil and via the *Miṣbāḥ*.
  - 2) The narration of Warsh via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Mu'allimah Munawwarah Abduraouf Johaadien learned to recite the Qur'ān by her.
- Mu'allim Sirāj al-Dīn Van der Schyff did part time hifth, memorised 4 ½ ajzā'by him.
- Sheikh Majedie Essa (JEQ) − 2002 /2003/ 2004.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm (JEQ) 2002.
- Sheikh Fahīm Jackson (JEQ) 2002.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (JEQ) 2002.
- Moulana Zahīr Parker (Dar al-Naʿīm) Naḥw, Ṣarf, Qurʾān translation, 'Aqīdah and Fiqh.
- Moulana Yūnus Keraan (Dar al-Naʿīm) Qurʾān translation, Fiqh and Musṭalah al-Ḥadīth.
- Moulana Muḥammad Carr (Dar al-Naʿīm) Qurʾān translation, Fiqh (Kitāb al-Ṭalāq).
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali (Dar al-Na'īm) Kitāb ual-Nikāḥ.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder (Dar al-Na'īm) Naḥw, Qur'ān translation, Ḥadīth, Inheritance.
- Moulana Khalīl Hendricks (Dar al-Na<sup>c</sup>īm) − Sīrah
- Doctor Mujīb Hoosen (Dar al-Naʿīm) *Ṭibb al-Nabawī*.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (DUAI) "Ulūm al-Qur'ān.
- Moulana Ikrām Buksh (DUAI) *Uṣūl al-Fiqh*.

- Moulana Muʻādh ʻAli (DUAI) Inheritance.
- Moulana Sulaymān Ables (DUAI) Tafsīr (sections of Jalālayn).
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan (DUAI) Qawā'id al-Fiqh (5 Qawā'id), studied Mughnī al-Muḥtāj (Ṭahārah and Ṣoum) and Shamā'il al-Tirmidhī.
- Moulana Shamiel Ras (DUAI) Sections of *Iḥyā' Ulūm al-Dīn*.
- Moulana Irshād Sedick (DUAI) "Ulūm al-Ḥadīth."
- Sheikh Sāmī Shaḥḥātah 'Abd al-Bāqī 'Ali (Egypt) received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the ṭarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah, the Rouḍah and the Miṣbāḥ. Also memorised Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Sheikh Samannūdī, Marātib Ḥurūf al-Isti'lā' by Imam Mutawallī, Bahjat al-Arwāḥ bimā li Ḥafṣ min Kitāb al-Miṣbāḥ by Al-Manīsī, Al-Dar al-Siniyyah fī al-Suwar al-Madaniyyah by Ashraf ibn Muḥammad Ṭal'at and Risālah Warsh by Imam Mutawallī.

#### Past and Current Activities

- Attended Islamia College in 2005 and completed Matric in 2008.
- Studied at Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT) ND Engineering. Computer Systems from 2010 and graduated 2013.
- Currently studying the Alimiyyah Course at Dar al-Ulum al-Arabiyyah al-Islamiyyah (DUAI) in Strand.

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# Anīsah Jabaar

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Father's name: 'Abd Allah

### Early studies:

- Did her *hifth* from 2000 to 2003.
- Learnt to read the Qur'an by her mother and Mu'allimah Bahiyyah Salie.
- Completed her first *khatm* by her parents.
- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Shoukat 'Ali and Hāfith Riḍwān Ismail in 2000.

# Higher Education:

- Completed her *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Shoukat 'Ali in 2003.
- Did intensive revision of her *hifth*.
- Studied *magāmāt* by Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Abd Al-Ḥamīd Brown (2007).
- Completed three modules of the Qurrā' Development Program (QDP) studying *Tajwīd*, *maqāmāt*, Arabic, Qur'ān Translation, 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān, the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī and the *Jazariyyah*.

# Qualifications:

• Completed her *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Shoukat 'Ali.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from

- Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Alawī Alexander (2010-2012) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.

- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Abrahams in:
  - 1) The poem of Sheikh Sa'īd 'Abd Allah for the *ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ*.
  - 2) The poem of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.

#### Teachers:

- Her mother, Āminah learnt how to recite the Qur'an by her.
- Mu'allimah Bahiyyah learnt how to recite the Qur'ān by her.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Riḍwān Ismail started her ḥifṭḥ by him.
- Sheikh Shoukat 'Ali started and completed her *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Parents, Āminah and 'Abd Allah completed her first *khatm* by them.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied *Tajwīd* and the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown studied *maqāmāt* by him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos studied *maqāmāt* by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Arabic by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Alawie Alexander received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied Tajwīd by him and received sanad and ijāzah from him for the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.

#### Students:

- Sājidah Bester − 2010
- Rābi'ah Isaacs 2012
- Mushfiqah Crotz 2012
- Mushfiqah Isaacs 2012
- Munīrah Isaacs 2012
- Sa'īdah Hendricks 2014
- Munībah Patel 2014

• 'Ā'shah Noordien – 2015

#### Past and current activities:

- Currently teaches hifth at Nūrush al-Shabāb Hāfith School, Bridgetown. She has been teaching here for the last eight years.
- Participates in female Qur'ān programs.
- Currently she is reading the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.
- Currently she is a student at al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences where she is studying the Shāṭibiyyah and the Seven Qirā'āt.

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### Anwar Adamson

Mother's name: Farīdah

Father's name: Muḥsin

### Early studies:

• Learnt to recite the Qur'ān, including the essentials of *dīn* by his parents, as well as Madrasat al-Ma'rūf in Bridgetown.

# Higher Education:

- Started hifth by Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamin. After completing one juz, Sheikh Sulaymān left for studies in Medina.
- Completed 15 juz by Ḥāfiṭḥ Fahmi Parker.
- Completed three *juz* by Moulana Munīr Samson.
- Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).
- Studied Arabic as well as the *Tuḥfah* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).
- Read a *khatm* to Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt.
- Revised his Qur'ān with Moulana Farīd Isaacs.
- Matriculated from Bridgetown High in 2002.
- Studied *Tajwid*, the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by Sheikh Iḥsān Davids.
- Studied Arabic in Markaz 'Ilmiyyah in Egypt.
- Received sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Ḥafṣ from Sheikh Islām Musharraf.
- Received sanad and ijāzah in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim from Sheikh Muḥammad ibn 'Abbās.

- Received sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Qālūn from Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien.
- Completed the Arabic Diploma at the University of Medina.
- B.A. in Ḥadīth from the University of Medina.

### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams.
- Matriculated from Bridgetown High.
- Arabic Diploma from University of Medina.
- Bachelors in Ḥadīth.

### Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Islām Musharraf (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Sheikh Ismāʻīl Berdien (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn 'Abbās (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the *Ṭayyibah*.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamin started *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Fahmi Parker started *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Moulana Munīr Samson started ḥifṭḥ by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Adams completed *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt read a khatm to him.

Moulana Farīd Isaacs — revised the Qur'ān with him.

• Sheikh Iḥsān Davids – studied *Tajwīd*, the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by

him.

• Sheikh Islām Musharraf — received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the

narration of Ḥafṣ via the Tayyibah with qaṣr in munfaṣil.

• Sheikh Muḥammad 'Abbās — received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the

Qirā'āh of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah and the narration of Shu'bah via the

Ţayyibah.

• Sheikh 'Abd al-Khāliq al-Nāqūr (Medina) — studied *Figh* by him.

• Sheikh Aḥmad Rāshid al-Ruḥaylī (Medina) — studied Fiqh by him.

Sheikh 'Abd Allah Zāḥim – completed a concise Figh text by him.

Sheikh Ṣāliḥ al-Sindī (Medina) — studied 'Aqīdah with him.

• Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien — completed the narration of Qālūn by him.

Past and Current Activities:

• Taught ḥifṭḥ at 'Abd Allah ibn Mas'ud Institute with his teacher, Sheikh

Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).

• The vice principal of Madrasat al-Falāḥ al-Islāmiyyah, in Kewtown.

• Runs a *ḥifṭḥ* school in Kewtown in the mornings.

Deputy Imam at Mountview Masjid.

• Conducts *Fiqh* classes at the mosques in Kewtown and Mountview.

• The Sheikh lectures on Fridays at various mosques throughout the Western

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### 'Arīb Isaacs

Mother's name: Kulthūm

Father's name: Faldie

#### Studies:

- Completed his first khatm by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams
- Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.
- Studied *Tajwīd* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʻaddil.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams completed his ḥifṭḥ, as well as received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Yāsīn Taliep recited and memorised sections of the Qur'ān by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Abd Allah Taliep recited and memorised sections of the Qur'ān by him.

#### Current activities:

Currently at al-Azhar High School.

### Aslam Kamaar

Mother's name: Fāṭimah Kamaar

Father's name: Adam Kamaar

#### Studies:

- Learned how to recite the Qur'an by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Rāshid Kakie.
- Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Rāshid Kakie.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Rāshid Kakie.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Miṣbāḥ.
  - 2) The Tuḥfah.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Yūsuf Booley learned how to recite by him.
- Sheikh Rāshid Kakie completed *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh 'Ali Davids revised the Qur'ān with him (*lanjah*).
- Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamen revised the Qur'ān with him (*lanjah*).
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids —received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafs via the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.

### Current activities:

- Currently he is a teacher at Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā' (JEQ).
- He also teaches part time *ḥifṭḥ* at Sirāj al-Islām, Rylands.

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### Hārūn Moos

Mother's name: Ḥawwā'

Father's name: Ḥanīf

### Early studies:

Sheikh Hārūn studied all his essentials of Islam from his father. This includes recitation of the Qur'ān and its memorisation. It was at the hands of his esteemed father that he completed his *hifth* of the Qur'ān.

#### Further studies:

- Attended Markaz al-Nūr (Egypt), Markaz al-Fajr (Egypt) and Dirāsah Khāṣah (Egypt) for Arabic studies.
- Read the entire Qur'ān to Sheikh Ṣalāḥ al-Dīn 'Īsā in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the tarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah and the Rouḍah.
- Read various *Qirā'āt* and narrations to Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
- Read the *uṣūl* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* to Moulana Salīm Gaibie from memory.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān by his father.

Sheikh Hārūn received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ṣalāḥ al-Dīn ʿĪsā (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Muʿaddil.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Warsh via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of Abū 'Amr via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- 3) The Qirā'ah of Ḥamzah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- 4) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- 5) The Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far via the Durrah.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Ya'qūb via the *Durrah*.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos learnt the essentials of *dīn* by him as well as how to recite the Qur'ān. He also started and completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by his father.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah 'Aṭiyyah Bayyūmī –revised the Qur'ān as well as learnt *Tajwīd* from him.
- Sheikh Ṣalāḥ al-Dīn 'Īsā recited the entire Qur'ān to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Rouḍah*.
- Sheikh Sayyid learnt theory of Tajwīd and did extensive practical reading to the Sheikh.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Moos studied Arabic by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie reciting various qirā'āt and narrations to him. Also studied the uṣūl of the Shāṭibiyyah by him, reading it from memory to him.

#### Students:

- Ibrāhīm Allie received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the ṭarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah and the Rouḍah, receiving ijāzah and sanad for it.
- Ḥafiṭḥ Shahīd August received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from Sheikh Hārūn in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Rouḍah*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Since Ibrāhīm Allie is not a Ḥāfiṭḥ, his profile does not appear in this database, even though he received *ijāzah* from Sheikh Hārūn.

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Qirā'ah
  of Kisā'i.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the narrations of Ḥafs and Warsh, as well as the *Qirā'āt* of Abū Ja'far and Abū 'Amr.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Shahīd Martin received sanad and ijāzah from Sheikh Hārūn in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the ṭarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah and the Rouḍah.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far.
- Mu'allimah Ṭāhirah Brown received sanad and ijāzah from the Sheikh in the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Qirā'ah of Ya'qūb via the Durrah.
- Ismā'īl Davids completed a khatm by the Sheikh in the narration of Ḥafṣ
  via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Maryam Gallie completed hifth by the Sheikh.
- Khadījah Khan (Delft) completed hifth by the Sheikh.
- Sājidah Williams completed *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.
- Rasedien Latief completed *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.
- Luqmān Smith completed *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.
- Amīr Davids completed *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.
- 'Uthmān Brenner completed *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.
- 'Adnān Johnson completed *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.
- Ḥamzah Karriem completed ḥifṭḥ by the Sheikh.
- 'Uzayr Hendricks completed *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.

#### Past and current activities:

Taught at his father's madrasah, Madrasat al-Najāḥ.

- Has part time students as beginners, others doing hifth, as well as others reading to him for sanad and ijāzah.
- Currently has his own hifth school, Imam Nawawī Institute for Qur'ānic Studies. The school is situated in 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Grassy Park.
- 2008 Represented South Africa as a reciter in various Qur'ān Programs held in Turkey.
- 2009/2010 Performed *Tarāwīḥ* Prayers in Colombus, USA.
- 2011 Performed Tarāwīḥ in North Carolina, Raleigh and Colombus, Memphis State, USA.
- 2013 Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in North Carolina, Charlotte, USA.
- Currently combining the narrations of Qālūn and Ibn Kathīr to Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

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The Sheikh currently stays in Grassy Park.

### Hāshim Gamieldien

Mother's name: Khadījah Gamieldien

Stepmother: Ḥabībah Gamieldien

Father's name: Ahmad Gamieldien

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by his mother, Khadījah, and father, Aḥmad.
- Attended a madrasah which ran under Imam Sa'īd Johnson in Surrey Estate.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.

### Later Education:

- Started hifth by Sheikh Hanif Moos.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.
- Did "imamat" course by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos as well.
- Read the six *ḥadīth* books by Moulana Riyāḍ Jardien.
- Dār al-Iftāh read the six ḥadīth books by Mufti Ibrāhīm Smith, as well as the Shamā'il of al-Tirmidhī.

#### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Muḥammad Samuels in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

He also received *ijāzah* from Mufti Ibrāhīm Smith for the six *ḥadīth* books, the *Shamā'il*, *sanad musalsal* with the Shāfi'iyyah and *ijāzah 'āmmah*.

He also received *ijāzah* from Moulana Riyāḍ Jardien for the six *ḥadīth* books.

#### Teachers:

- His mother, Khadījah Gamieldien learnt how to recite the Qur'ān by her.
- His father, Aḥmad Gamieldien learnt how to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Ceres learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos completed *ḥifṭḥ* by him, and studied "imamat" by him.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Jardine Read the six major *ḥadīth* books by him.
- Mufti Ibrāhīm Smith Was tested on the six major ḥadīth books and the Shamā'il, and received ijāzah from him.

#### Written Works:

- *Pearls of Wisdom* a "surat" compiled by Moulana for Quranic literacy.
- Knowledge Verses Wealth

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Masjid al-Quds taught *ḥifṭḥ* and *Fiqh* in the afternoon madrasah.
- Tafalah Primary School, Sherwood Park taught Qur'ān and Islamic studies in the afternoons. Acted as principal for a while as well.
- Junior College, Grassy Park taught Qur'ān and Islamic studies in the afternoons.
- Taught Qur'ān and Islamic studies by Sheikh Tḥāfir Najaar in Grassy Park in the afternoons.
- The Vigilance Hall, Wynberg taught hifth and Islamic studies with Sheikh Muḥammad Adams.

- J.E.Q taught *ḥifṭḥ* and was the housemaster there.
- Raḥmāniyyah Primary, Cape Town taught Qur'ān and Islamic studies in the afternoons.
- Qulūb al-Mu'minīn, Goodwood Acted as the principal at the madrasah for a short while.
- Tayyibat al-Nashr Institute taught *ḥifṭḥ* here for a short while.
- Madrasah Silsilat al-Ilm taught Qur'ān literacy, hifth and Islamic studies in the afternoons. This was Moulana's own Madrasah that he ran from his house.

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### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nadhīr Majiet in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah: al-Miṣbāḥ, Rouḍah of Muʻaddil, al-Tajrīd, Rouḍah of Abū ʻAli al-Mālikī, al-Tidhkār and al-Kāmil.
  - 2) The Tuḥfah.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.

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 $<sup>^{32}</sup>$  His failure to provide the necessary information to complete his profile before date of publication has resulted in the absence of his profile. Ḥāfiṭḥ Nadhīr has attested to him completing the above mentioned renditions and texts by him.

# Ḥusayn Dalvi

Mother's name: Fā'izah Dalvi

Father's name: 'Abd al-Qādir Dalvi

# Early studies:

- Learned to read the Qur'ān by Muḥammad Tayyib.
- Completed his first *khatm* by the age of 12.

### Higher studies:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.
- Completed three years of Islamic studies at Dar al-Arqam Institute.
- Studied Arabic at Markaz Nile Language Institute, Egypt.
- Completed a Sharī'ah (Islamic Law) Course.
- Read the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* to Sheikh Ṣalāḥ al-Dīn ʿĪsā.

# Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ṣalāḥ al-Dīn ʿĪsā (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʿaddil.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The Qira'ah of Ḥamzah via the Shāṭibiyyah.

Teachers:

Muḥammad Tayyib – learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him.

Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie – completed *ḥifṭḥ* by him.

Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī – revised the Qur'ān by him.

Sheikh Ahmad 'Āmir

Sheikh Sayyid Ḥāmid

Dr 'Abbās

Moulana Salīm Gaibie – received *ijāzah* from him in the *Qirā'ah* of Ḥamzah

via the Shāṭibiyyah. Also read 20 ajzā'to him in the Qirā'ah of Ibn Kathīr.

Students:

Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi'ī (Malawi) – completed a khatm by

the Sheikh in the narration of Ḥafs via the Rouḍah of Mu'addil. Received

sanad and ijāzah from the Sheikh.

Past activities and current activities:

Was an imam at a masjid.

Currently the principal of a hifth school - Dar al-Falahayn li Tahfīth al-

Qur'ān.

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### Ibrāhīm Darries

Mother's name: Najwah

Father's name: Ṣiddīq

# Early studies:

- Learned to recite the Qur'an by his father.
- Completed his first *khatm* by his sister, Faḥmīdah.

### Higher Studies:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad.
- Completed two year Diploma of Higher Islamic learning at Dār al-Naʿīm, Wynberg.
- Completed the 'Ālim Fāḍil course at Dār al-'Ulūm al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand.

#### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad.

Ḥāfiṭḥ Ibrāhīm Darries received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The narration Ḥafṣ via the Ṭayyibah.
  - 2) The narration of Shu bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) The Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - The Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain turuq of the Tayyibah.
  - 5) Murshid al-Qārī.

- 6) The Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.
- 7) Aysar al-Aqwāl Sharḥ Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl.
- 8) Commentary of 'Ali Dabbā' on the Tuḥfah.
- 9) The Jazariyyah.
- 10) The text of Sheikh Sa'īd for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
- 11) The text of Sheikh Zāyid for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
- 12) The text of Sheikh 'Āmir for the ṭarīq of the Rouḍah.
- 13) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
- 14) Commentary of Khālid Azharī on the Jazariyyah.
- 15) Commentary of Zakariyyāh Anṣārī on the Jazariyyah.
- 16) Al-La'āli' al-Naqiyyah by Moulana Saleem Gaibie.
- 17) Ghunyat al-Ṭalabah fī Taysīr al-Sab'ah.
- 18) The Shāṭibiyyah.
- 19) The books of Sheikh Toufiq Damrah on Qirā'āt.
- Moulana Luqmān Ben in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far via the Durrah.
  - The Qirā'ah of Ya'qūb via the Durrah.

These khatms were read to him from memory.

 Completed the 'Ālim Fāḍil course at Dār al-'Ulūm al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand.

#### Teachers:

- His father,  $\operatorname{Siddiq}$  learned how to recite the Qur'ān by him as well as the essentials of  $d\bar{\imath}n$ .
- His sister, Faḥmīdah recited the Qur'ān to her. Under her guidance he completed his first khatm of the Qur'ān.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad memorised the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied 'Aqīdah and Mīrāth by him.

- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt studied 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Keraan studied Fiqh and Sīrah by him.
- Moulana Muḥammad Carr studied Fiqh and Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadith with him.
- Moulana Zahīr Parker studied Ḥadīth, Fiqh and Qur'ān translation with him.
- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan studied Fiqh and Ḥadīth by him.
- Moulana Yā'qūb ibn Yūsuf ibn 'Abd Allah studied *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* by him.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Saloojee studied Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadith and 'Aqīdah by him.
- Moulana Shāmil Ras studied sections of Imam Ghazāli's Iḥyā', as well as various other texts.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali studied comparative religion and 'Aqīdah by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied *Fiqh* by him.
- Moulana Anwar Humbles studied Tafsīr by him using Tafsīr al-Jalālayn.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor studied Tafsīr by him using the Tafsīr of Ibn Kathīr.
- Moulana Shabīr Galant studied Ḥadīth by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie read a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah to him, as well as the narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah. Subsequently read a khatm to him combining the Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah. Also studied various texts in Tajwīd and Qirā'āt by him, as well as 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān.
- Moulana Azhar Pathan studied *Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadith* and *Sīrah* by him.
- Moulana Luqmān Ben read the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far and the Qirā'ah of Ya'qub via the Durrah to him.

Students:

Hāfith Abū Bakr Abrahams – read a khatm to him in the narration of Hafs

via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.

Moulana Luqmān Ḥakīm (Malaysia) – read a khatm to him in the narration

of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Miṣbāḥ.

Written Works:

The Legacy of Qāri Ayyūb: a Discourse on the Principles of the Shāṭibiyyah

- a commentary on the famous Shāṭibiyyah written collectively with Afḍal

Hatia, Mustaqīm Paulse and Luqmān Ben.

Past and Current Activities:

Completed Arabic and Islamic studies Diploma at Dar al-Naʿīm, Wynberg.

Completed the 'Ālim Fāḍil course at Dār al-'Ulūm al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah

(DUAI), Strand.

Completed the study of the Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah as well as the

Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain turuq of the Tayyibah.

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### Ibrāhīm Floris

Mother's name: Khadījah

Father's name: 'Uthmān

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'ān by Imam 'Abd Allah Jassim.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.
- Learnt the essentials of *dīn* by Imam 'Abd Allah Jassim.

#### Later Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.
- Also memorised a few ajzā' by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.
- Studied Arabic, Figh, Touḥīd, Ḥadīth and Qur'ānic sciences in Egypt.

# Qualifications:

- Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.
- Qualified dental technician.

# Sheikh Ibrāhīm received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿī (Malawi) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Ṭayyibah.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.

- 2) Tuḥfah al-Aṭfāl of Jamzūrī.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) Tuḥfah al-Aṭfāl of Jamzūrī.
  - 3) The Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah.
  - 4) Touḍīḥ al-Ma'ālim by 'Ali al-Naḥḥās.
  - 5) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ by Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
  - 6) Text of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān for *qaṣr* in Ḥafṣ.
  - 7) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 8) The written works of Sheikh Toufiq Damrah on Qirā'āt.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Rahmān Davids in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

#### Teachers:

- Imam 'Abd Allah Jassim learnt how to recite Qur'ān by him, including the fundamentals of *dīn*.
- Sheikh Sirāj Johaar completed hifth by him as well as being a teacher at his
  madrasah for a number of years.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier memorised a few ajzā' by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied Tajwīd and the Tuḥfah of Jamzūri by him.
   Also received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Tuḥfah. He read the
   differences of the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir to him and received sanad and
   ijāzah from him.
- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿī completed the *Qirāʾah* of ʿĀṣim by him, firstly the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*, then the narration of Shuʿbah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*. He received *ijāzah* for whatever he read.

Moulana Salīm Gaibie - he recited the narration of Ḥafs to him via the

Tayyibah until Sūrah Yūnus, as well the differences in the narration of

Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah. He also read the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī, the

Jazariyyah, Touḍīḥ al-Maʿālim fī Ṭuruq Ḥafṣ ʿan ʿĀṣim to the Sheikh. He

received ijāzah and sanad from Moulana Salīm for all that he studied by him.

He also read the differences of the Qira'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir to him and

received sanad and ijāzah from him.

Past and Current Activities:

Taught hifth and Qur'an for seven years at Dar al-Qur'an which runs under

the guidance of Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.

Sheikh was instrumental in starting the Heathfield Madrasah, as well as being

the principal for a while.

• Currently he is the imam of Masjid al-Taqwa, Newfields. He runs his own

madrasah, Madrasah Uthmāniyyah, from the masjid in Newfields.

Completed the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī by Sheikh Abd al-Raḥmān Davids.

Completed the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *turuq* 

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The Sheikh currently resides in Newfields and is the imam of the masjid there.

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### Ibrāhīm Gaffoor

Mother's name: Wasīlah

Father's name: Ismā'īl

# Early Studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'an by Khalifah Haya and Imam Jassiem.
- Learnt the essentials of dīn when he attended the madrasah of Boeta Qāsim
  'Ali.
- Completed his first khatm by Sheikh Mūsā Titus.

#### Later Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* of the 30<sup>th</sup> *juz* by Boeta Qāsim 'Ali.
- Memorised the remainder of the Qur'ān and completed hifth by Sheikh Mūsā
  Titus. Also studied Ḥadīth and Figh by Sheikh Mūsā.
- Studied Arabic by Imam Abū Bakr Simon.
- Studied Arabic, Fiqh, Ḥadīth and other Islamic sciences by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.
- Studied *Tafsīr* with Sheikh Āmin Fakier.
- Graduated from Dār al- "Ulūm Newcastle. When Moulana enrolled at Dār al- "Ulūm Newcastle, he was entered into the fourth year because of his previous Arabic and Islamic studies done in Cape Town.
- Also studied at Dār al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā, Gauteng.

#### Qualifications:

- Matriculated from Spes Bona in 1986.
- Completed his hifth by Sheikh Mūsā.

Completed the 'Ālim Fāḍil course at Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle.

### Moulana Ibrāhīm received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Khalifah Haya learned how to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Imam Jassiem learned how to recite the Qur'an by him.
- Boeta Qāsim 'Ali learned the essentials of  $d\bar{n}$  and memorised juz 30 by him. This was the first juz that Moulana memorised.
- Sheikh Mūsā Titus memorised the remainder of the Qur'ān and ultimately completed *ḥifṭḥ* by him. Also studied *Fiqh* and Ḥadīth by him.
- Imam Abū Bakr Simon while Moulana was doing High School, he had already frequented the company of Imam Abū Bakr Simon (amongst other mashāyikh) and studied Arabic by him.
- Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos whilst in High School, he studied Arabic, *Fiqh*, Ḥadīth and other Islamic sciences by him.
- Sheikh Āmin Fakier studied Tafsīr by him.
- Moulana Fārūq Patel revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Mufti Riḍā' al-Ḥaqq studied Ḥadīth by him.
- Moulana Qāsim Sema studied the Ṣaḥīḥ of Bukhārī by him, as well as
   Muṣṭalah al-Ḥadīth.
- Moulana Manşūr al-Ḥaqq studied the Ṣaḥāḥ of Bukhārī, Tafsīr and Balāghah by him.
- Moulana Mumtāz al-Ḥaqq studied Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ, the Ṣaḥīḥ of Muslim and Arabic with him.

- Mufti 'Abd al-Qādir Ḥusayn studied Miskāt al- Maṣābīḥ, Tafsīr, Uṣūl al-Fiqh and Shāfiʿi Fiqh by him.
- Moulana Akram studied Qur'ān translation by him.
- Moulana Firouz al-Dīn Adam studied the *Sunan* of Abū Dāwūd by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied the Jazariyyah and the Shāṭibiyyah by Moulana.
- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt studied the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī by him.

#### Students:

- Ḥāfiṭḥ Muḥammad Shahīd August completed his ḥifṭḥ by Moulana Ibrāhīm.
- Ḥāfiṭḥah Mareldia Isaacs completed her ḥifṭḥ.
- Ḥāfiṭḥah Fāṭimah Lamara completed her ḥifṭḥ.
- Ḥāfiṭḥah Fāṭimah Faqir completed her ḥifṭḥ.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Has served as an imam of several masjids since he completed his high school.
   These masjids include:
  - O Masjid al-Raḥmān (Hanover Park).
  - O Bridgetown Masjid.
  - O Masjid al-Ikhlāṣ (Hanover Park), where he is the residing imam.
- He has been doing community work on various levels for the past 25 years.
- Serves as a marriage counselor.
- Offers various classes at Masjid al-Ikhlāṣ.
- Was previously a lecturer at the Qurrā' Development Program (QDP).
- Lecturer at Dār al-ʿUlūm al-ʿArabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand.

 Moulana is currently reading the Qirā'ah of Ibn Kathīr to Moulana Salīm Gaibie as well as to Sheikh Ihsān Davids.

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The Sheikh currently resides in Hanover Park and is the imam of Masjid al-Ikhlāṣ in the area.

# Iḥsān Abrahams

Mother's name: 'Ā'ishah

Father's name: Mūsā

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'an by his father.
- Finished first *khatm* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Salie.
- Learnt the essentials of *dīn* at the hands of his father.

#### Later studies:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Imam 'Umar 'Abd Allah.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Salie.
- Spent two years in Syria where he studied Arabic and other Islamic studies, particularly the Qur'ānic sciences.
- Completed the two-year Dar al-Na<sup>c</sup>im Arabic and Qur<sup>c</sup>an course.
- Completed a teacher's course at Discover Islam Centre.

### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Salie.
- Received sanad in the narration of Ḥafs via the tarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah from Sheikh 'Abd al-Hakīm 'Uthmān.

# Sheikh Iḥsān received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Ḥakīm 'Uthmān Ḥājj (Syria) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Sūsī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Dūrī Basrī via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt studied *Tajwīd*, the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī, the *Jazariyyah* and *maqāmāt* by him. Completed the narration of Sūsī by him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos completed the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī by him.
- Sheikh Ṭḥāfir Najār did Islamic studies, Arabic, Figh and Ḥadīth with him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyāt did Arabic grammar and morphology with him.
- Sheikh Riḍwān Taliep did Arabic studies with him.
- Sheikh 'Ādil Davids did basic Arabic studies with him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied Arabic by him.
- Moulana Zakariyyā Philander studied Arabic and Islamic studies by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids read a khatm to him in the narration of Dūrī Basrī via the Shāṭibiyyah and received sanad and ijāzah in it.

#### Students:

- 'Imrān Jabaar completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān.
- Țḥāfir Wallace completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān.
- Madeni Gallie completed his hifth by Sheikh Ihsan.

- Yumna Jacobs received *sanad* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- 'Abd Allah Taliep received sanad in the narration of Ḥafs via the Rouḍah of Mu'addil.
- Sakīnah Jacobs received *sanad* in the narration of Ḥafs via the *Rouḍah*.
- Zāhidah Majiet received sanad in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah.
- Juwayriyah Slarmie received *sanad* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah*.
- Muḥammad Qāsim Dramat received sanad in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah.
- 'Arīb Isaacs received sanad in the narration of Ḥafs via the Roudah.
- Nadhīr Majiet received sanad in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah.
- Yāsīn Taliep received *sanad* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah*.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Presently the principal and teacher in the *ḥifṭḥ* section of Dār al-Naʿīm.
- Taught Qur'ān at Islamiyyah High School.
- Conducts many private classes teaching *Tajwīd* and recitation of the Qur'ān.
- Oversees the *Tarāwīḥ* at Dār al-Naʿīm, Wynberg.

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### Ihsān Davids

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Father's name: Aḥmad

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by Boeta Fatih and Khalifah Ruqayyah Philander.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.
- Attended Dar al-Islam afternoon madrasah in Surrey Estate.

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.
- Also memorised certain azjā' by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.
- Did Islamic studies at Markaz al-Islamī with Sheikh Hanīf Kamaar.
- Did BA Honours at University of Western Cape (incomplete).
- Also studied at UNISA (incomplete).
- At Ma'had al-Bu'ūth al-Islāmī he did some secular studies.
- At Maktab al-'Ilmī al-Azharī (Egypt) he studied Tajwīd and read for ijāzah in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim.
- Studied in the Faculty of *Qirā'āt* at the Azhar University where he did the Shāṭibiyyah, the Durrah, the Tayyibah, al-Itqān of al-Suyūṭī, the sciences of Rasm, verse-counts amongst many other works in the field of the Qur'ān.

#### Qualifications:

Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.

- Received ijāzah from Sheikh Khālid 'Abd Allah for all the works written by Sheikh 'Ali Muhammad al-Nahhās
- Received ijāzah 'āmmah from Sheikh Khālid 'Abdullah for all the sanads and transmissions of Sheikh Amīr al-Kabīr. This ijāzah links Sheikh Iḥsān to numerous books in the Islamic legacy, the likes of Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī, Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim, Iḥyā' 'Ulūm al-Dīn by Ghazālī, al-Itqān fī 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān of al-Suyūṭī etc.

### Sheikh Iḥsān received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ḥasanayn Jibrīl (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ with qaṣr in munfaṣil.
  - 2) The Ten *Qirāʾāt* via the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn 'Abbās (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Shu bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) The narration of Shu bah via the Tayyibah.
- Sheikh Khālid 'Abd Allah (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Qallīnī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) Tuḥfah al-Aṭfāl of Jamzūrī.
  - 2) The Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Sayyid Mukhtār (Egypt) in:
  - 1) Tuḥfah al-Aṭfāl of Jamzūrī.
  - 2) The Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah.

- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zarībī al-Tunusī (Tunisia) in:
  - 1) The narration of Warsh.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The Tuhfah.
- Sheikh Ilyās Barmāwī (Medina) in:
  - 1) Tuḥfah al-Aṭfāl of Jamzūrī.
  - 2) The Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Sirāj Johaar completed *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier memorised some ajzā' by him.
- Sheikh Ḥanīf Kamār did Arabic studies by him.
- Imam Ismāʿīl Johnson studied Arabic and *Fiqh* by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington) studied Ḥadīth by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt read a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafş via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Ṭāriq Fāris (Egypt) studied Tajwīd by him as well as reading for Ḥafṣ.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Sulaymān al-Sūdānī read to him in the narration of Dūrī from Abū 'Amr.
- Sheikh Islām Musharraf (Egypt) read 27 ajzā' to him in the narration of Hafs.
- Sheikh Ḥasanayn Jibrīl read the narration of Ḥafṣ with qaṣr in madd munfaṣil to the Sheikh and thereafter the 10 Qirā'āt via the Ṭayyibah.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Qallīnī read the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī and the *Jazariyyah* to him.

- Sheikh Abū 'Abd Allah Sayyid ibn Mukhtār ibn al-Sayyid ibn Abū Shādī read the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī and the *Jazariyyah* to him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn 'Abbās ibn Muṣṭafā Anwar al-Misrī recited the
  entire Qur'ān to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah, the
  narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah.
- Sheikh Abū 'Abd Allah Khālid ibn Muḥammad ibn 'Abd Allah recited the
  entire Qur'ān to him on the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah and the
  narration of Ḥafṣ via the Tayyibah.

#### Students:

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie received ijāzah in the Tuḥfah and Jazariyyah. Also read all the differences in the narration of Ḥafṣ and received ijāzah for it from Sheikh Iḥsān. Recited eight juz in the Qirā'ah of 'Aṣim to the Sheikh (incomplete).
- Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Ādil Arnolds received sanad and ijāzah in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Philander received sanad and ijāzah in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim.
- Acaya 'Aṭā' Allah (Reunion) completed a khatm in the narration of Ḥafs to the Sheikh. Received sanad and ijāzah in the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Riḍwān Rhoda received sanad and ijāzah in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim, the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī via the Shāṭibiyyah, the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nadīm Dawood received sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Sūsī via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor received sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Ḥafṣ
  via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah, and the narration of Shuʿbah via the
  Shāṭibiyyah.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Salām Kenny received sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Ḥafş via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Tuḥfah.
- Aslam Kamaar received sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Miṣbāḥ.

- Muḥammad Ali Jumon received sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Ḥafṣ
  via the Miṣbāḥ.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Samuels received sanad and ijāzah in the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī and Khalaf al-'Āshir.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nadhīr Majiet received sanad and ijāzah in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah. Read the differences in the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah to the Sheikh and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Abd al-Malik De Vries completed the narration of Sūsī via the Shāṭibiyyah by him, receiving sanad and ijāzah.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Mukhtār Aḥmad Thebus completed the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, receiving *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Moulana Mustaqīm Paulse read the differences in the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to the Sheikh and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Sulaymān Mohamed read the differences in the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah to the Sheikh and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Moulana Luqmān Ben read the differences in the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to the Sheikh and received sanad and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Zayn Alexander read the differences in the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain turuq of the Tayyibah to the Sheikh and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Akhlāq Oldey read the differences in the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-ʿĀshir via the Durrah and certain ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah to the Sheikh and received sanad and ijāzah from him.

- Sheikh Riḍwān Saiet read the differences in the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to the Sheikh and received sanad and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Floris read the differences in the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to the Sheikh and received sanad and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Alawī Alexander read the differences in the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to the Sheikh and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Petersen read the differences in the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to the Sheikh and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh Munawwar Harneker read the differences in the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to the Sheikh and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.

### Past and Current Activities:

- Was previously a teacher at Dār al-Islam *ḥifṭḥ* school, Surrey Estate.
- Was previously a teacher at Primrose Madrasah.
- Was previously a teacher at Habibia Madrash.
- Was previously a teacher of Tajwīd at Markaz al-Nūr al-Islāmī al-Ta'līmī, in Gatesville.
- Was an instructor at Jam'iyyah al-Qurrā' Hafith Institute.
- Was a lecturer on Tajwīd and Qirā'āt at the Qurrā' Development Program.
- Currently the principal of Tayyibah al-Nashr Institute for Qur'ānic studies
  which trains learners in areas of Tajwīd, Qirā'āt, ḥifṭḥ, and other aspects of
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The Sheikh currently resides in Surrey Estate.

### Iḥsān Smith

Mother's name: Yasmīn

Father's name: Yūsuf

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Abrahams, Khalifah Amien Fredericks and Sheikh Ibrāhīm Johardien.
- Completed first khatm by Qāri 'Abd al-Raḥmān Munshi.
- Attended madrasah at Lotus River Islamic Society and Masjiduth Thaanie, Rocklands.

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ibrāhīm Johardien.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Qāri 'Abd al-Raḥmān Munshi.
- Completed the 'Alim course at Dar al-'Ulum Zakariyyah, Gauteng.
- Received sanad and ijāzah in the Seven and Ten Qirā'āt.

### Qualifications:

- Completed hifth by Qāri 'Abd al-Raḥmān Munshi.
- Received sanad and ijāzah in the Seven and the Ten Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah, the Durrah and the Ṭayyibah.
- Completed the 'Alim course and graduated from Dar al-'Ulūm Zakariyyah, Gauteng.

Moulana Iḥsān Smith received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq in:
  - 1) The Seven and the Ten Qirā'āt.

- 2) The *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- 3) The 'Aqīlah of Imam al-Shāṭibī.

#### Teachers:

- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Abrahams learnt how to read the Qur'ān and basic Figh and Islamic Studies.
- Mu'allim Āmin Fredericks learnt how to read the Qur'ān and basic Fiqh and Islamic Studies.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Johardien started *ḥifṭḥ* under this honourable Sheikh.
- Qāri 'Abd al-Raḥmān Munshi, the student of the late erudite Qāri Ṣiddīq Bandwi – completed *hifth* under his auspices.
- Moulana Burhān Mia studied *Tajwīd*, *Fiqh*, *Naḥw* and *Tafsīr* by him.
- Moulana 'Abd Allah Bhamjee studied Tajwīd and Fiqh by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Jada studied Naḥw by him.
- Qāri Mubīn studied Arabic Grammar by him.
- Moulana Muḥammad Dhoodat studie Arabic Grammar, Riyāḍ al- Ṣāliḥīn and Tafsīr by him.
- Qāri Rashīd Dhabelia studied and completed various books of hadīth by him, as well as Fiqh, 'Aqīdah and inheritance.
- Moulana Sulaymān Moola studied Fiqh and Da'wah.
- Qāri Ṣāliḥ Peck studied basic texts on Tajwīd, as well as the Jazariyyah and Fiqh by him.
- Moulana 'Alā' al-Dīn received *ijāzah 'āmmah* from him.
- Moulana Shabīr Saloojee received *ijāzah ʿāmmah* from him.
- Mufti Riḍā' al-Ḥaqq received ijāzah 'āmmah from him.
- Moulana Sulayman Choksi received ijāzah 'āmmah from him.
- Moulana 'Uthmān Mewati received ijāzah 'āmmah from him.

- Moulana 'Abbās al-Nadwi received *ijāzah 'āmmah* from him.
- Mufti Muḥammad 'Ali received *ijāzah 'āmmah* from him.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq Read the Seven and the Ten Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah, the Durrah and the Tayyibah to him.

### Students:

- Sheikh Akram Buksh completed Ḥafṣ, Shuʿbah and Ibn Kathīr by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Munawwar Harnekar completed the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī by him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Islamic Studies HOD at Belhar Islamic Primary School.
- Imam at Masjid Husnayne Diep River.

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# Iḥsān Taliep

Mother's name: Badr al-Nisā'

Father's name: Muḥammad

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'ān by Imam Salīm Davids from Claremont.
- Also learned to recite by Sheikh Aḥmad Moos, uncle of Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.
- Completed first *khatm* by Sheikh Aḥmad Moos.

### Higher Education:

- Started hifth by Sheikh Ahmad Moos and completed seven juz by him.
- Completed hifth by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie. He was the first student to complete by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie in February 1989.

### Qualifications:

Completed his hifth by Sheikh 'Abd al-Rahmān Salie.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Abd Allah al-Jouharī al-Sayyid (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Imam Salīm Davids learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Moos learnt to recite the Qur'ān and completed his first khatm by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie completed his ḥifṭḥ by him.

- Sheikh Abū Bakr 'Abd al-Ra'ūf recited and memorised sections of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Qāsim 'Abd al-Ra'ūf recited and benefitted from him.
- Sheikh Ṣāliḥ 'Abādī recited to him and was a source of inspiration to him.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Gabier recited to him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah al-Jouharī al-Sayyid received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Īd 'Ābidīn studied the narration of Warsh by him, as well as Figh, Tafsīr, 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān etc.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Ḥammād studied *Tafsīr* and Ḥadīth by him.

Had consultations with various internationally renowned figures like:

- Maḥmūd Sībway al-Badawī.
- 'Abd al-Ḥakīm 'Abd al-Salām Khāṭir.
- 'Abd al-Fattāḥ al-Marṣafī.

#### Students:

- Muḥammad Gabriels.
- Marwān Waja.
- Shu'ayb Stemmet.
- Ziyād Wahi
- Ikhtishām Khan.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Completed Arabic Diploma at the University of Medina.
- Did Qur'ānic studies in Egypt, receiving *sanad* and *ijāzah*.
- A teacher and reciter of the Qur'ān for many years.
- The Sheikh is the principal of Rahmaan Hafith Institute, Schaapkraal.

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# I'jāz Mukaddam

Ḥafiṭḥ Iʻjāz is one of 12 people in Cape Town who has completed the Ten ('Asharah') Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrāh. He has completed all Ten by reading them individually (ifrādan) between Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids and Moulana Salīm Gaibie. Via the Ṭayyibah he has also read the narration of Ḥafṣ to Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān and the narration of Warsh via Aṣbahāni to Moulana Salīm Gaibie. He is the first Capetonian to complete these Ten Qirā'āt locally. He is also the first to read all Ten Qirā'āt individually (ifrādan), reading them all from memory. In addition to this, he is also the first to complete the narration of Warsh via Aṣbahānī locally.

Mother's name: Mumtāz Begum

Father's name: Fadl al-Dīn

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read, as well as memorised the Qur'ān by his father, Faḍl al-Dīn Mukaddam.
- Completed his first khatm by his father, Faḍl al-Dīn Mukaddam. He has
  completed numerous khatms by his father and continues to do so on a
  regular basis.
- Attended the al-Azhar Primary and High School.

# Higher Education:

- Started hifth by his father, Fadl al-Dīn Mukaddam.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by his father, Faḍl al-Dīn Mukaddam.
- Studied *Tajwīd* rules under the tutorship of Ḥafiṭḥ Riḍwān Ismail and Sheikh Shoukat 'Ali (2001). He has also received certification from them.
- Completed the first module of the Qurrā' Development Programme, where he studied Arabic, *Tajwīd* and *Maqāmāt* (2009).

- Attained 1<sup>st</sup> position in the *qirā'ah* category of the Eisteddfod competition (2003).
- Attained 1<sup>st</sup> position in the National Hifth competition in Cape Town (2007).
- Attained 6<sup>th</sup> position at the Dubai International Holy Qur'ān Award (2007).
- Attained 2<sup>nd</sup> position in the Qurrā' Development Programme: Module one (2009).
- Attained 3<sup>rd</sup> position in the Tanzanian International Holy Qur'ān Memorisation Competition (2012).

### Qualifications:

Completed hifth by Fadl al-Dīn Mukaddam (father) at the age of 11 and certified by a delegation of Egyptian qurrā' from the Al-Azhar University in Cairo. He has also been certified by local qurrā', the likes of Sheikh Abū Bakr 'Abd al-Ra'ūf.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʻaddil.
  - 3) The narration of Sūsī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 4) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via all the *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* which makes *qaṣr*.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 3) The narration of Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 4) The Qirā'ah of Abū 'Amr via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 5) The *Qirā'ah* of Ibn 'Āmir via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- 6) The *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far via the *Durrah*.
- 7) The *Qirā'ah* of Ya'qūb via the *Durrah*.
- 8) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- 9) The Jazariyyah.
- 10) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Samannūdī.
- 11) Matn for qaṣr of 'Āmir al-Sayyid 'Uthmān.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The Ten ('Asharah) Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah.
  - 2) The narration of Warsh via Aṣbahānī from the Ṭayyibah.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt (2006 present) received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah, the narration of Sūsī via the Shāṭibiyyah, the Jazariyyah and the Rouḍah of Mu'addil. Also learnt Arabic grammar, Ṣarf, the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī, the history of Qirā'āt and Maqāmāt by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids (2009 present) received sanad and ijāzah for Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and all the ṭuruq of qaṣr via the Ṭayyibah, the narration of Qālūn, the Qirāʾāt of Abū 'Amr, Ibn 'Āmir, 'Āṣim, Abū Jaʿfar and Yaʿqūb. He also completed the Tuḥfah, the Jazariyyah, Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Samannūdī and the text for qaṣr of 'Āmir al-Sayyid 'Uthmān.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (2010 present) he read the *Qirā'āt* of Ibn Kathīr, Ḥamzah, Kisā'ī, Khalaf al-'Āshir and the narration of Warsh via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and via the *ṭarīq* of Aṣbahānī to him. He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in all Ten *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrah*.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Āmin Fakier learnt the Hajj dua and the proceedings that take place when leaving for Hajj (2007). His hifth was frequently tested by our honourable Sheikh.

• Sheikh Muḥammad Shafīq, from Egypt (1996-1997) — taught *juz* 29 and 30.

#### Students:

- Ismā'īl Dāwūd completed a khatm of the Qur'ān by him and was given ijāzah to transmit the Qur'ān.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmām Davids read the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī and Khalaf al-'Āshir to him.
- Moulana Mustaqīm Paulse currently combining the *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far and Ya'qūb to him.

#### Written Works:

- Notes on Warsh discusses the theory regarding the narration of Warsh via the tarīq of Azraq from the Shāṭibiyyah and the ṭarīq of Aṣbahānī from the Ṭayyibah.
- A book which oulines the rules for the *Qirā'ah* of Ḥamzah. This book is currently still being edited.

#### Past and Current Activities:

#### Sport:

Cricket and soccer

#### Cultural:

- Reads *Mujawwad* at various *qirā'ah* programmes, functions and most Fridays at Siddique Mosque before Jumu'ah.
- Has lead the Tarāwīḥ Ṣalāh from the age of 8 at Siddique Mosque in Elsies River and continues to do so.
- Occasionally recited on three radio stations: Radio VOC, Radio 786 and Radio Al-Ansar.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 33}$  Due to Ismā'īl Dāwūd not being ḥāfiṭḥ, his profile is not included in this database.

Although he has been invited to various other competitions — national and international — he could not participate due to University commitments.

#### Personal interests:

- Listening to the *Mujawwad* recitation of Sheikh 'Abd al-Bāsiṭ 'Abd al-Ṣamad.
- Listening to the recitation of the imams of the Haram in Medina and Mecca.
- Completed his medical studies at the University of Stellenbosch.
- Currently practising as a medical doctor at Tygerberg Hospital in Cape Town.

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### Imtiyāz Isaacs

Mother's name: Fāṭimah Isaacs

Father's name: Rif'āt Isaacs

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Abrahams.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamen.

### Higher Education:

- Started hifth at Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā' under the tutelage of Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm at the age of nine years. He completed nine ajzā' by the Sheikh.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* at Jamʿiyyat al-Qurrāʾ under the tutorship of Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamen at the age of 11 years.
- Islamic courses:
  - O Studied at Dār al-Naʿīm, completing the translation of the entire Qurʾān. In the second year he completed various subjects which included Arabic grammar, Ṣarf, Fiqh, Ḥadīth, 'Ulūm al-Qurʾān, 'Aqīdah, Uṣūl al-Fiqh etc.
  - O Inspired by his teachers at Dār al-Naʿīm to further his studies, he left for Cairo and enrolled at an Arabic institution known as Markaz Fajr where he went on to complete all 10 levels offered at the institution.

In Egypt, he met many students from abroad, stemming from diverse backgrounds, and was exposed to different ideas as well as many other institutions. Subsequent to his Arabic studies at Markaz Fajr, he joined the Al-Azhar College to further his Arabic and Islamic studies.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Sulaymān Benjaman.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Fattāḥ Madkūr Bayyūmī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah.
  - 2) The Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.
  - 3) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 4) Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfī.
- Sheikh 'Ali Muḥammad Toufīq al-Naḥḥās (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the turuq of the Tayyibah.
  - 2) Ijāzah 'āmmāh for all his books and transmissions.
- Sheikh Miṣbāḥ Widn (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrah*.
  - 2) The 10 Qirā'āt via the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 3) *Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl* of Jamzūrī.
  - 4) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 5) The Shāṭibiyyah, and the Durrah.
- Sheikh 'Iṣam Aḥmad Mabrūk (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Sayyid Fatḥī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Yūnus (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- Sheikh Muḥammad Rajā'ī Barghash (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) The text of 'Uthmān Murād in making *qaṣr al-munfaṣil* for Ḥafṣ.
  - 3) The narration of Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 4) The narration of Warsh via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The Qirā'ah of Ibn Kathīr via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
  - 4) The Jazariyyah.
  - 5) The Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh 'Ali al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.
  - 3) The Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 4) The Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 5) The 10 Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah.
  - 6) Received *ijāzah ʿāmmah* from the Sheikh for all his transmissions.
- Sheikh Ḥasan Saʿīd (Alexandria) in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
  - 2) The *Jazariyyah*.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The Four *Shādhdh Qirā'āt*; Ibn Muḥaysin, Ḥasan al-Basrī, Yaḥyā al-Yazīdī and al-A'mash.
  - 2) Al-Fawā'id al-Mu'tabarah of Sheikh Mutawallī.
  - 3) The Seven and the Ten *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrah*.

4) Received *ijāzah ʿāmmah* from him for all his written works and transmissions.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh 'Iṣām Aḥmad Mabrūk completed the narration of Ḥafṣ by him.
- Sheikh Sayyid Fatḥī completed the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim by him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Yūnūs completed the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Rajā'ī Barghash completed the narrations of Ḥafṣ,
  Qālūn, Warsh, as well as the text of 'Uthmān Murād in qaṣr al-munfaṣil by
  him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Zanātī completed the narration of Qālūn and the Qirā'ah of Ibn Kathīr by him. Also read the Tuḥfah, the Jazariyyah and the Shāṭibiyyah to the Sheikh and received sanad and ijāzah for these texts.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Fattāḥ Madkūr Bayyūmī received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah, the Tuḥfah of Jamzūri, the Jazariyyah, as well as the Salsabīl al-Shāfī of 'Uthmān Murād.
- Sheikh 'Ali ibn Muḥammad Toufiq al-Naḥḥās received ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah, as well as a general ijāzah for all his books and transmissions.
- Sheikh Mişbāḥ Widn received sanad and ijāzah from him in the 10 Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrāh, as well as the texts of the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah. He also read the 10 Qirā'āt via the Ṭayyibah to Sheikh Miṣbāḥ. He read the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah to the Sheikh from memory.
- He further received *ijāzah* for the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*.
- Sheikh 'Ali al-Zanātī received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Tuḥfah, the Jazariyyah, the Shāṭibiyyah, the Seven Qirā 'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah and

- *ijāzah 'āmmah*. He read the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the *Durrah* and the *Ṭayyibah* to the Sheikh from memory.
- Sheikh Ḥasan Saʿīd al-Iskandarī received sanad and ijāzah from him for the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*. He is currently reading the *Qirāʾah* of ʿĀṣim to the Sheikh via the ṭarīq of the Ṭayyibah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied and read the Four Shādhdh Qirā'āt by him, studying al-Fawāid al-Mu'tabarah as well Moulana Salīm's commentary on it, al-'Ujālat al-Nāfi'ah fī al-Qirā'āt al-'Arba' al-Shādhdah. He also read Nūr al-I'lām of Sheikh Azmīrī to him, as well as combining the Ten Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah to him. He received sanad and ijāzah for all that he completed by Moulana, as well as ijāzah 'āmmah.
- Dr Amjad Rashīd (Jordon) received *ijāzah 'āmmah* from him.
- Sheikh Maḥmūd al-Miṣrī (Syria) read the *40 ḥadiṭh* of Imam Nawawī and of Imam al-ʿAjlūnī to him, receiving *ijāzah* for them as well as *ijāzah ʿāmmah*.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Ḥakīm Anīs (Syria) received *ijāzah 'āmmah* from him.

#### Students:

Ḥāfiṭḥ Muḥammad Shafīq Ebrahim — received sanad and ijāzah from the Sheikh in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah, the Miṣbāḥ, the Kāmil, the Rouḍah of Muʿaddil and the Tidhkār. Also received ijāzah from the Sheikh for the Tuḥfah.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- While studying at Markaz Fajr, he started reading for his first *ijazah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*. This he completed in 2009.
- Thereafter, he completed the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah* at one of the institutions of the current Grand Sheikh of Egypt, Sheikh Aḥmad 'Īsā al-Ma'ṣarāwī. This he did under the tutorship of Sheikh Sayyid Fatḥī, a student of Sheikh Ḥasanayn Jibrīl. Upon completion of his *khatm*, he received *sanad* from the Sheikh and was subsequently tested in the *qirā'ah* by Sheikh

Ma'ṣarāwī himself. With the grace of Allah, he successfully passed the exam and was awarded with a certification of recitation and teaching in the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim.

- He has completed the i'dādiyyah and thānawiyyah in Egypt and is furthering his studies there.
- He continues reciting and studying the various sciences of Qur'ān under a number of well-known scholars who hold high sanads. Amongst them is reading the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Ṭayyibah to Sheikh Ḥasan Sa'īd.
- He is currently enrolled at the Azhar University in the Faculty of Sharīʿah.

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### Ismā'īl Berdien

Mother's name: 'Azīzah

Father's name: Muḥammad Amīn

Early studies:

Learnt to recite the Qur'an by Khalifah Āminah in Rocklands, Mitchells

Plain.

Also attended afternoon *madrasah* in Rocklands.

Higher education:

Started *hifth* at Masjid al-Jumu'ah by Mu'allim Ridwān. Thereafter he went to

Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier and completed three ajzā' by him. Subsequently, he

enrolled at Dar al-'Ulum Zakariyya in Gauteng and memorised 26 juz by Moulana Sulaymān Ganchi. The remaining four juz he completed by Qāri

Rashīd Topia.

On the completion of his hifth, in 1993, he had the honour of reading his last lesson

before the Imam of the Haram in Medina during that time, Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān

Ḥudhayfī.

Attended Arabic classes at Markaz al-Fajr in Egypt where he spent a year.

Studied Arabic at Markaz Lisān al-'Arab in Egypt.

Private tuition by various *shuyūkh* in Egypt.

Qualifications:

Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Qāri Rashīd Topia.

Sheikh Ismā'īl received sanad and ijāzah from:

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- Sheikh Aḥmad Qallīnī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

Sheikh Ismāʿīl completed these narrations by Sheikh Aḥmad in a gathering on the 27<sup>th</sup> night of Ramaḍān after the *Tarāwīḥ* Prayer in the mosque.

- Sheikh Anwar Adamson (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via some turuq of the Tayyibah.
  - 2) The Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Ṭayyibah.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Zarībī (Tunisia) in:
  - 1) The narration of Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of Ibn Kathīr via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn 'Āshūr (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Warsh via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The *Qirā'āh* of Abū Ja'far via the *Durrah*.
  - 3) The *Qirā'ah* of Ya'qūb via the *Durrah*.
  - 4) The Qirā'ah of Khalaf via the Durrah.
  - 5) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
  - 6) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.

The Sheikh recited all these *Qirāʿat* to his teachers from memory.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Aḥmad Qallīnī read the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim to him and received ijāzah and sanad for it.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah al-Zarībī read the narration of Qālūn and the Qirā'ah of Ibn Kathīr to him.

- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Āshūr read Warsh, Abū Ja'far, Ya'qūb and Khalaf al-'Āshir to him. Also read the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* to him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Bayyūmī read the entire Qur'ān from memory to the Sheikh in the narration of Ḥafṣ.
- Ustādh Khālid (Egypt) learnt Arabic from him.
- Ustādh Ṣāliḥ (Egypt) learnt Arabic from him.
- Sheikh 'Umar Qutb had a few sittings with him and benefited from the Sheikh in magāmat.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt attended a few of his lessons in *maqāmāt*.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown learnt all the *magāmāt* from him.
- Moulana Shafīq Alawi learnt the Hajj from him.
- Sheikh Iḥṣān Davids acquired some *Tajwīd* from him.
- Sheikh Anwar Adamson read the narration of Ḥafs and the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Ṭayyibah to him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Yūnus, a student of the Grand Sheikh of Egypt recited a few khatms to him in the narration of Ḥafs.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq studied basic Tajwīd by him.

#### Students:

- Armien Davids completed his hifth by Sheikh Ismā'īl.
- Shudley Ahmad completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismāʻīl.
- Masʿūd Soeker completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismāʿīl.
- 'Ādil Arnolds completed his ḥifṭḥ by Sheikh Ismā'īl.
- Munawwar Harneker completed his hifth by Sheikh Ismā'īl. Also read the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim to the Sheikh and received sanad and ijāzah from him. Furthermore read the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah to him for ijāzah.
- Mas'ūd Isaacs completed his hifth by Sheikh Ismā'īl.

- Sheikh Anwar Adamson read the narration of Qālūn to him and received sanad and ijāzah.
- Sulaymān Mohamed read the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah to Sheikh Ismāʿīl and received sanad and ijāzah from him. Currently he is reading the narration of Qālūn to Sheikh Ismāʿīl.
- Khālid George completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.
- Āminah De Wet completed her *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.

#### Past and current activities:

The sheikh has been teaching *ḥifṭḥ* for the past 20 years, and attributes much of his experience to various *shuyūkh*.

- Taught as a hifth teacher for Hafiz Academy in Gatesville.
- Was also the assistant imam at Masjid al-Quds, Gatesville.
- Taught *madrasah* at Talfalah Primary in Sherwood Park.
- Taught madrasah and had evening classes at Rocklands Masjid.
- Taught hifth in Gauteng for a few years.
- Conducts private classes dedicated to young and old. These classes are offered
  for the novice and the intermediate student. He also teaches and trains
  advanced students who are interested in the finer details and intricacies of
  Tajwīd.
- Has his own *ḥifṭḥ* class, Ma'had al-Qur'ān.
- Currently studying the 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Ṭayyibah* by Sheikh Iḥsān Davids.
- Recites at various mosques throughout the Western Cape.
- Was chosen as one of the adjudicators at one of the local hifth competitions which took place at Town Centre Masjid in Mitchells Plain.
- He has his own hifth school, Ma'had al-Qur'ān, based at Masjid al-Rawbie, Portlands, Mitchells Plain. The school accepts male and female students between the ages of ten and 18.

• Performed *Tarāwīḥ* at the Town Centre Masjid in Mitchells Plain.

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### Ismā'īl Londt

Mother's name: 'Ā'ishah

Father's name: Fārūq

### Early studies:

- Received instruction of basic Islamic belief and ethics at al-Shukr al-Mubīn School in Lansdowne.
- Learnt how to recite the Qur'ān under the auspices of his mother as well as the Shukr al-Mubīn School.

### Higher studies:

- At 11, he went to Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle and started hifth of the Qur'ān by Ḥafiṭḥ Rafīq Haupt and Moulana 'Abd al-Ṣamad Manga. At the age of 13 he had memorised the entire Qur'ān.
- Completed three years of Arabic and Islamic studies at Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle.
- Travelled to Cairo in 1992 to further his studies on the Qur'ānic recitation, its history and sciences.
- Read an entire *khatm* and benefited a lot from the Imam of the Grand Mosque of the al-Azhar University, Sheikh 'Abd Allah 'Aṭiyyah Bayyūmī.
- He spent the entire year of 1993 under the careful tutelage of the renowned reader of the Qur'ān, Sheikh Muḥammad Maḥmūd al-Ṭablāwī in Giza. He completed the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*, as well as revising the entire Qur'ān by him.
- In the same year, he was accepted to study at the *Qirā'āt* Institute in Shubra where he was immediately entered into his third year of studies.

- At the *Qirā'āt* Institute he studied by many *shuyūkh*, the likes of Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm al-Bannā and a blind sheikh by the name of Sheikh 'Abd al-Salām Goudah, from whom he learnt the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Read the entire Qur'ān in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the tarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah, and the Rouḍah, as well as the narration of Sūsī to Sheikh 'Abd Allah al-Jouharī al-Sayyīd who was an inspector of the Azhar Institutes of Qirā'āt. Also read the text of the Shāṭibiyyah to him from memory.
- Learnt maqāmāt from the expert Sheikh Maḥmūd Dā'im Farag.
- Also had consultation in maqāmāt with Dr. Ismā'īl Khalīfah, a renowned Egyptian authority in the art of maqāmāt.
- Read the narration of Warsh to Moulana Salīm Gaibie, as well as the entire *usūl* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* from memory, receiving *ijāzah* in them.
- Studying via UNISA majoring in the Arabic language and linguistics.

## Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* in Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle.

Sheikh Ismā'īl received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Jouharī al-Sayyid (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʿaddil.
  - 3) The narration of Sūsī via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Ilyās ibn Aḥmad Barmāwī (Medina) in:
  - 1) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Warsh via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The *Shāṭibiyyah*.

#### Teachers:

- His mother, 'Ā'ishah learnt how to recite Qur'ān and the essentials of Islam.
- Ḥafiṭḥ Rafīq Haupt memorised the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Ṣamad Manga memorised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah 'Aṭiyyah Bayyūmī recited the Qur'ān to him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Maḥmūd al-Ṭablāwī spent a year with him benefitting
  in many areas of Qur'ānic recitation, as well as studying the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm al-Bannā studied Tajwīd and Qirā'āt by him at the Shubrā Institute for Qirā'āt.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Salām Goudah studied Tajwīd and Qirā'āt by him at the Shubrā Institute for Qirā'āt.
- 'Abd Allah al-Jouharī al-Sayyid read the entire Qur'ān to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Rouḍah*, as well as the narration of Sūsī to him. Also read the *uṣūl* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* to him from memory.
- Sheikh Maḥmūd Dā'im Farag studied maqāmāt at the expert instruction of this Sheikh.
- Dr. Ismāʿīl Khalīfah had many consultations with this sheikh, being a renowned Egyptian authority in the art of maqāmāt.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie read the narration of Warsh to him, as well as the
  entire uṣūl of the Shāṭibiyyah from memory. The Sheikh received sanad and
  ijāzah from Moulana Salīm in all that he completed by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān ibn 'Abd al-Ḥayy al-Kattānī (Maghrib) Sheikh Ismā'īl read the Shamā'il al-Muḥammadiyyah to him, receiving ijāzah for it from him, as well as ijāzah 'āmmah.

- Sheikh Idrīs al-Kattānī (Maghrib) Sheikh Ismā'īl read the Arba'ūn al-'Ajlūniyyah to him, receiving ijāzah for it from the Sheikh, as well as ijāzah 'āmmah.
- Sheikh Ḥammād al-Ṣaqallī received *ijāzah ʿāmmah* from the Sheikh.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah al-Talīdī read the Alfiyyat al-ʿIrāqī and the Arbaʿūn al-'Ajlūniyyah to him. Received ijāzah for what he read as well as ijāzah 'āmmah from the Sheikh.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn Yahyā al-Ninowy received ijāzah 'āmmah from the Sheikh.

#### Students:

The students who have benefitted and learnt from the Sheikh are too many to mention. A few of them include:

- Ḥafiṭḥ I'jāz Muqaddam read the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and received sanad and ijāzah in it. Also received ijāzah in Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah as well as the narration of Sūsī via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres recited the narration of Ḥafṣ via the tarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah and Rouḍah to Sheikh Ismā'īl and received ijāzah from him. She was the first female to receive ijāzah from the Sheikh.
- Dr Razīn Gopal recited the narration of Ḥafṣ via the <code>tarīq</code> of the <code>Shāṭibiyyah</code>, the <code>Rouḍah</code>, receiving <code>ijāzah</code> and <code>sanad</code> in whatever he recited. Also completed 21 <code>ajzā'</code> in the narration of Sūsī. He was the first male to receive <code>ijāzah</code> from the Sheikh.
- Ḥafiṭḥ 'Alawi Alexander read the narration of Ḥafṣ via the ṭarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah and the Rouḍah, as well as the narration of Sūsī, receiving ijāzah and sanad in whatever he recited.
- Ḥafiṭḥah Raḍiyah Bāwā Hendricks rendered two khatms to the Sheikh,
   first in the narration of Ḥafs via the tarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah, and thereafter

- via the *ṭarīq* of the *Rouḍah*, receiving *ijāzah* and *sanad* in whatever she recited.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams completed the narration of Sūsī, studied the Tuḥfah of Jamzūri and the Jazariyyah, as well as a portion of the Shāṭibiyyah with the Sheikh.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie read 20 ajzā'to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the tarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah. Also learnt some of the maqāmāt from Sheikh Ismā'īl.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids read a khatm to Sheikh in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah before he left for Egypt to further his studies.
- Sheikh Ridwān Saiet read the narration of Ḥafs via the tarīq of the the Roudah, receiving ijāzah and sanad from Sheikh Ismāʿīl.

### Past and current activities:

- The founder of Dār Ubaiy Institute for Qur'ānic studies. The institute provides various types of empowerment programmes for beginners, as well as teachers from hifth classes, including courses in sanad. Dār Ubaiy also has evening Arabic classes now, which they are prioritising based on the need to go beyond memorisation.
- A member of Department of Qur'ānic Affairs (DQA) under the auspices of the Muslim Judicial Council (MJC).
- Invited as judge in Dubai International Qur'ān competition.
- Invited on various occasions to many international recitals including Germany and India.
- Was previously an instructor in 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān, as well as of the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah at Dār al-Na im, Wynberg.
- Lecturer in the BA program at IPSA Peace Varsity of South Africa.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl performed *Tarāwīḥ* in the narration of Warsh along with Sheikh Muḥammad Safar (from Medina). This was the first time that the

entire *Tarāwīḥ* Prayers was performed in the narration of Warsh in Cape Town, taking place at the Zīnat al-Islām Masjid, in Muir Street.

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# Juwayriyah Slarmie

Mother's name: 'Ā'ishah Ṣiddīqah

Father's name: Muḥammad Nūr

## Early studies:

• Learned to recite the Qur'an by her mother from the age of four.

#### Later Studies:

- Completed her *ḥifṭḥ* by Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres.
- Revised her hifth and received sanad and ijāzah from Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.
- Completed one year at Dar al-Na'im.
- Studied at the Girl's Dār al-'Ulūm in Zakaria Park, Gauteng, for two years.

## Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Muʻallimah ʻĀʻishah Ceres.

## Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Ihsān Abrahams in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Muʻaddil.

#### Teachers:

- 'Ā'ishah Ṣiddīqah, her mother learned to recite the Qur'ān by her.
- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres completed her hifth by her.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.

# Current activities:

• Currently at Oracle High School.

She currently stays in Ocean View.

# La'īq Hattas

La'iq is fourteen years old, making him the youngest sanad holder in the database.

Mother's name: Zubaydah Hattas

Father's name: Nathīm Hattas

## Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by his father, Naṭḥīm.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Mahdi Nackerdien.
- Attended al-Manaar Hafith Institute in 2011.
- ◆ Has been a student at Madrasah Ahl al-Qur'ān from 2012 2015.

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier in 2011.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Mahdi Nackerdien.

### Qualifications:

 Completed his hifth by Sheikh Mahdi Nackerdien at Madrasah Ahl al-Qur'ān.

### Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Mahdi Nackerdien in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The *Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl* of Sulaymān al-Jamzūrī.
  - 3) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.

### Teachers:

- His father, Naṭḥīm learnt to read the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier started his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Mahdi Nackerdien completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him as well as read the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim to him, studied the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by him. He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for all that he completed by the Sheikh.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Ḥanīf Titus memorised by him as well.

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# Luqmān Ben

Mother's name: Āminah Johnson

Father's name: Ṣādiq Ben

## Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by his father, Ṣādiq.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Ṣāliḥ Abdurouf.
- 2004 2006: attended Madrasah al-Falāh.
- 2006 2009: attended Jami'yyat al-Qurrā' (JEQ).
- 2010 2011: attended Dar al-Na'īm.

## **Higher Education:**

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Adnān Khatīb.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* at JEQ.
- Completed two-year Arabic Dimploma in higher education from Dār al-Naʿīm, Wynberg.
- Completed the 'Ālim course at DUAI, Strand.

### Qualifications:

• Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Adnān Khatīb.

## Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The narration Ḥafs via the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.

- 3) The Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- The Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain ţuruq of the Ţayyibah.
- 5) Murshid al-Qārī.
- 6) The Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.
- 7) Aysar al-Aqwāl Sharḥ Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl.
- 8) Commentary of 'Ali Dabbā' on the *Tuḥfah*.
- 9) The Jazariyyah.
- 10) The text of Sheikh Saʿīd for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
- 11) The text of Sheikh Zāyid for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
- 12) The text of Sheikh 'Āmir for the ṭarīq of the Rouḍah.
- 13) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
- 14) Commentary of Khālid Azharī on the Jazariyyah.
- 15) Commentary of Zakariyyāh Anṣārī on the *Jazariyyah*.
- 16) Al-La'āli' al-Naqiyyah by Moulana Saleem Gaibie.
- 17) Ghunyat al-Ṭalabah fī Taysīr al-Sabʿah.
- 18) The Shāṭibiyyah.
- 19) The books of Sheikh Toufiq Damrah on Qirā'āt.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far via the Durrah.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of Ya'qūb via the *Durrah*.
- Completed the 'Ālim course at DUAI, Strand.

### Teachers:

- Father, Ṣādiq he learnt how to read the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids memorised juz 28, 29 and 30 by him. Read the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far and Ya'qūb to him and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids memorised juz 26 and 27 by him. Also read the
  differences of the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain turuq
  of the Tayyibah to him and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Sheikh Riḍwān Caincross memorised juz one and half of juz two by him.
- Sheikh 'Uthmān Florris memorised the second half of juz 2 until the end of juz 14 by him.
- Sheikh 'Adnān Khatīb memorised from juz 15 until juz 25 by him.
- Sheikh Faqīr Parker studied *Tajwīd* by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids memorised the *Tuḥfah* by him and read numerous *khatms* to him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied 'Aqīdah and Mīrāth by him.
- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt studied *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* and *Tajwīd* by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Keraan studied *Fiqh* and *Sīrah* by him.
- Moulana Muḥammad Carr studied Fiqh and Muṣṭlaḥ al-Ḥadīth by him.
- Moulana Zahier Parker studied Ḥadīth, Fiqh and Qur'ān translation by him.
- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan studied Fiqh and.
- Moulana Yā'qūb Abdullah studied Fiqh and Uṣūl al-Fiqh by him, including
   *Dawābiṭ al-Maṣlaḥah*.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Saloojee studied Muṣṭlaḥ al-Ḥadīth and 'Aqīdah by him.
- Moulana Shāmil Ras studied sections of Imam Ghazalī's Iḥyā'by him.

- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali studied comparative religion, Muṣṭlaḥ al-Ḥadīth and the Ṣaḥīḥ of al-Bukhārī by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Fiqh, al-Tirmidhī, Uṣūl al-Fiqh, and Ashbāh wa al-Naṭḥā'ir by him.
- Moulana Anwar Humbles studied Tafsīr and Jalālayn by him.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Ghafoor studied Tafsīr and Tafsīr Ibn Kathīr by him.
- Moulana Shabīr Galant studied Ḥadīth and Abū Dāwūd by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Ables studied Tafsīr and Tafsīr Āyāt al-Aḥkām by him.
- Moulana Ṭāriq studied Tārīkh by him.
- Moulana Azhar Pathan studied Muṣṭlaḥ al-Ḥadīth and Sīrah by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie read a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah, as well as the narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah. Also studied numerous texts on Tajwīd, the Shāṭibiyyah, Manāhil al-ʿIrfān, Tarīkh al-Qur'ān of Abd al-Ṣabūr Shāhīn by him. Received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Moulana Irshād Sedick studied Athar al-Ikhtilāf by him.

#### Students:

- Ţḥāfir Lee read a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Afdal Hatia Read the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far and Ya'qūb to him and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nadhīr Majiet read a *khatm* to him in the *Qirā'ah* of Ibn 'Āmir via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Darries read a khatm to him in the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far and the Qirā'ah of Ya'qūb via the Durrah from memory.

#### Written Works:

• The Legacy of Qāri Ayyūb: a Discourse on the Principles of the Shāṭibiyyah

- a commentary on the famous Shāṭibiyyah written collectively with Afḍal

Hatia, Ibrāhīm Darries and Mustaqīm Paulse.

### Past and Current Activities:

- Taught at Raḥmāniyyah Masjid in Steenberg.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* at JEQ.
- Completed two-year Arabic Dimploma in higher education from Dār al-Naʿīm, Wynberg.
- Completed the 'Ālim course at DUAI, Strand.
- Studied the Seven and Ten *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrah*, receiving *sanad* and *ijāzah* in them.
- A teacher of *Qirā'āt* at al-Tanzīl Institute of Qur'ānic Sciences.
- Lead *Tarāwīh* in the narration of Dūrī from Kisā'ī in West Bank, Delft.

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### Māhirah Abdulrazaak

Mother's name: Yasmīn

Father's name: 'Abd al-Razzāq

## Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by her mother, Yasmīn.
- Completed her first *khatm* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).

### **Higher Education:**

- Matriculated from Achievers College.
- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- Completed hifth by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams at 'Abd Allah ibn Mas'ūd Hāfith Institute.
- Revised the Qur'ān with Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī in Egypt.
- Trained for two months at Taḥfīṭḥ al-Qur'ān College in Azizia, Mecca.
- Did *Tajwīd* training and revision with Sheikhah Umm 'Abd al-Raḥmān.
- Completed a two-year Arabic and Islamic Law Diploma in Damascus, Syria, at Ma'had Abū al-Nūr (2001 - 2003).
- Did Islamic studies in in Egypt with private tutors.
- Diploma in Arabic from Markaz Fajr.
- Received sanad and ijāzah in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim from Dr Suzi, a student of Dr 'Abbās al-Miṣrī (2004 - 2008).
- Completed TEFL (teaching English as a foreign language) course at the Cape Town School of English.

## Qualifications:

• Completed her *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington) in 1998.

### Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikhah Amānī bint Ḥasan Mar'ī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 3) The narration of Shu bah via the *Ṭayyibah*.

#### Teachers:

- Yasmīn (mother) learnt to recite the Qur'ān at her hands.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier started her *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington) completed her hifth by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī revised the Qur'ān with him.
- Sheikah Umm 'Abd al-Raḥmān studied Tajwīd, as well as revised the Qur'ān by her.
- Dr Suzi received sanad and ijāzah in the narrations of Ḥafṣ and Shuʿbah from her.

### Students:

- Ḥāfiṭḥah Abdulrazaak completed her ḥifṭḥ.
- Amīrah Vallie completed her ḥifṭḥ.

### Past and Current Activities:

- Taught English in Saudia Arabia at New Horizons and Al Qassim University (2009 - 2010).
- Taught Qur'ān literacy to Egyptian learners in Cairo.
- Taught English language at Al-Qaseem University in Buraidah, Saudi Arabia.

- Returned to South Africa at the end of 2010.
- Appointed as principal and teacher at Dar Ahl al-Qur'an in 2011.
- Currently Prinicipal and teacher at Dar Ahl al-Qur'ān

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# Masrūr Rylands

Mother's name: Rushana

Father's name: Fārūq

## Early studies:

 Learnt to read the Qur'ān by his mother, Rushana Rylands, and Mu'allim Dāwūd Boolay.

# Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Majdi 'Īsā, Sheikh Fahīm Jackson.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Abd al-Khāliq Parker.
- Completed the two years Arabic and Islamic studies course at Dār al-Naʿīm, Wynberg.
- Completed three modules at the Qurra' Development Program.

### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Abd al-Khāliq Parker.
- Completed the two years Arabic and Islamic studies course at Dār al-Naʿīm, Wynberg.
- Matriculated from Alexander Sinton High School.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Moulana Mustaqīm Paulse in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 3) The text of Sheikh Saʿīd ʿAbd Allah for the ṭarīq of the Miṣbāḥ.
  - 4) The text of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the ṭarīq of the Miṣbāḥ.

- 5) The text of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān for the ṭarīq of the Rouḍah.
- 6) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
- 7) Umniyyat al-Walhān of Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The Tuhfah.

#### Teachers:

- His mother, Rushana learnt Quranic literacy and fluency by her.
- His father, Moulana Fārūq Rylands studied Fiqh by him.
- Mu'allim Dāwūd learnt Qur'ānic fluency by him.
- Ustādh Ruknudien learnt Qur'ānic fluency by him.
- Sheikh Majdi 'Īsā studied *Tajwīd* and did *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Fahīm Jackson studied *Tajwīd* and did *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Ziyād Isaacs did *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Abd al-Khāliq Parker did ḥifṭḥ by him.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier did *Tajwīd* with practical implementation by him.
- Sheikh Ismail Londt read to the Sheikh for approximately 7 months.
- Sheikh Riḍwān Saʿīd did revision of his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Mu'allim 'Alawi Alexander did revision of his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goda studied Arabic grammar, Inheritance and 'Aqīdah by him.
- Moulana Zahīr Parker studied Morphology (Ṣarf) and Ḥadīth by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Karaan studied Fiqh: the chapter of Ţahārah from 'Umdat al-Sālik and Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth by him.
- Moulana Khalīl Hendricks studied Sīrah by him.

- Moulana Muḥammad Carr studied Fiqh: the chapter on al-Bay' from Umdat al-Sālik as well as al-Nikāḥ by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied the Shamā'il al-Tirmidhī, Uṣūl al-Fiqh from al-Wajīz, the development of the Shāfi'ī School, Fiqh, the chapter of Nikāḥ from Mughnī al-Muḥtāj and 'Aqīdah from al-I'tiqād of Imam al-Bayhaqī by him.
- Moulana Ya'qūb 'Abd Allah studied Fiqh: the chapter of Ţahārah from Mughnī al-Muḥtāj, al-Tirmidhī, Fiqh al-Ḥadīth and al-Raf' wa al-Takmīl by him.
- Moulana Ṭāriq 'Abd Allah studied Islamic History by him, doing Mousū'ah Muyassarah fī al-Tārīḥ Al-Islāmī.
- Moulana Irshād Sedick studied Tafsīr al-Jalālayn, "Ulūm al-Qur'ān via Manāhil al-Irfān and Fiqh: the chapter on Ṭalāq via Mughnī al-Muḥtāj by him.
- Moulana Shāmil Ras studied sections of the *Iḥyā 'Ulūm al-Dīn* of Imam al-Ghazālī by him.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali studied 'Aqīdah via Kubrā al-Yaqīniyyāt, Inheritance and Uṣūl al-Figh via al-Wajīz by him.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Saloojee studied Fiqh al-Sīrah by him.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gafoor studied sections of the Tafsīr of Ibn Kathīr by him.
- Moulana Saleem Gaibie studied the Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl by him.
- Moulana Azhar Pathan studied the Jāmi' of al-Tirmidhī by him.
- Moulana Mustaqīm Paulse read a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah, the Miṣbāḥ, the Rouḍah of Muʻaddil, the Kāmil, the Tajrīd, the Tidhkār and the Rouḍah of al-Mālikī to him. He also completed the narration of Shuʻbah, as well as a few texts by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied the *Jazariyyah* by him.

# Past and Current Activities:

- Currently in his fourth year at Dār al-'Ulūm al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand.
- Currently reading the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī to Sheikh 'Alawī Alexander.

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# Muḥammad Abbās Moerat

Mother's name: 'Ā'ishah

Father's name: 'Abd al-Hādī

## Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'an by his father, 'Abd al-Hadī Moerat.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad.

## Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* in 2002 by Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Ali Davids in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Imtiyāz Isaacs in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids in:
  - 1) The Jazariyyah.

#### Teachers:

- 'Abd al-Hādī Moerat learnt to recite the Qur'ān, as well as the essentials of dīn by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad completed his memorisation of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Ali Davids received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah. He also received ijāzah from him in the narration of Shu'bah.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by him.
- Sheikh Imtiyāz Isaacs read the *Tuḥfah* to him for *ijāzah*.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids studied the *Jazariyyah* by him and read it to him from memory for *sanad* and *ijāzah*.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Completed Matric 2005
- Studied two years B.sc at UWC (incomplete).
- Started teaching *ḥifṭḥ* in Paarl 2006.
- In 2009, moved to Cape Town to teach hifth at Al-Ameen H\(\textit{a}\)fith Institute for three years.
- Currently teaching *ḥifṭḥ* at Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā' (JEQ).
- 2013 2014 lead the *Tarāwīḥ* at Masjid al-Salām, St Athans Road, Crawford.
- 2015 lead the *Tarāwīḥ* at Zinat al-Islām Masjid, Muir Street.

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## Muhammad 'Abd al-Karīm Davids

Mother's name: Firdous

Father's name: Shafīr al-Dīn

### Early studies:

• Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Sālie. He also finished his first *khatm* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm.

#### Later studies:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Ibrāhīm Bhamjee at Dār al-ʿUlūm Zakariyyā in Gauteng.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Irfān Abrahams (in Surrey Estate).
- Did a Diploma in Arabic studies at Islamic College of Southern Africa (ICOSA) and four years Islamic studies at the same institute.
- Spent a year in Egypt where he did Qur'ānic studies and received sanad and ijāzah.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Irfān Abrahams.

Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Majdī Bāshā (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʻaddil.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Qallīnī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl of Sulaymān Jamzūrī.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Sālie learnt how to recite Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt studied the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī by him as well as Tajwīd.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier revised the Qur'ān with him for a few months.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids recited 15 juz of the Qur'ān according to the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the tarīq of the Shātibiyyah.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Ibrāhīm Bhamjee memorised most of the Qur'ān under his tutelage.
- Sheikh 'Irfān Abrahams completed memorisation of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Zarībī al-Tūnusī studied most of the *Shāṭibiyyah* by him.
- Sheikh Majdī Bāshā read the narration of Ḥafṣ to him. Also studied the Tuḥfah, the Jazariyyah and memorised the poem of Sheikh 'Āmir al-Sayyid 'Uthmān in qaṣr of munfaṣil via the ṭarīq of the Rouḍah.
- Sheikh Aḥmad al-Qallīnī recited the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī and the *Jazariyyah* to him.
- Sheikh Salīm Gaibie Studied Tajwīd and memorised the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī under his tutelage.

#### Students:

'Abd al-Malik De Vries — read a khatm to the Sheikh in the narration of Ḥafṣ
via the Rouḍah and received sanad and ijāzah from him.

#### Past and current activities:

- Current principal of J.E.Q. Boys Hāfith School.
- Was the principal of J.E.Q. Girls H\u00e4fith School during 2007.
- Was previously a teacher at J.E.Q. Boys, from 2003-2006.
- Was also teacher at Dār al-Islām Hāfith School in Surrey Estate from 1994-2000.

• Was a lecturer on *Tajwīd* at the Qurrā' Development Program.

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### Muhammad 'Alawī Alexander

Mother's name: Ḥabībah

Father's name: Muḥammad Zayn

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'ān by his father, Sheikh Muḥammad Zayn, who was the
  first imam at the mosque in Strandfontein, as well as the madrasah teacher
  there.
- Finished his first *khatm* by his father, Muḥammad Zayn.

#### Later Education:

- Started hifth by Sheikh Sa'd Allah Khan, by whom he completed the memorisation of three juz. Thereafter he also memorised portions of the Qur'an by Sheikh Ihsan Davids, Sheikh Fu'ad Isaacs, and Moulana Isma'il Jango. He eventually completed his hifth by Moulana Ihsan Davids.
- Read the Qur'ān to many shuyūkh, including Sheikh Abū Bakr 'Abd al-Ra'ūf, Sheikh Abū Bakr Ismā'īl, Sheikh Ibrāhīm Moos and Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt.
- Studied Arabic by Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt.
- Received sanad and ijāzah from Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt in the narrations of Ḥafş and Sūsī via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Completed eight modules of the Qurrā' Development Programme (QDP), studying Tajwīd, maqāmāt, Arabic, the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī, the Jazariyyah, La'āli' al-Bayān of Samannūdī, Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfī of 'Uthmān Murād, 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān, the Shāṭibiyyah, Fiqh, Qur'ān translation, the Tibyān of Imam Nawawī and the Seven Qirā'āt.

## Qualifications:

- Completed matric at Strandfontein High School.
- Completed his hifth by Moulana Ihsan Davids.
- Completed the study of the Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah at al-Tanzīl Institute of Qur'ānic Sciences.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Sūsī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh *Ihsān* Davids in:
  - The Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain turuq of the Tayyibah.
  - 2) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - The Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain ţuruq of the Ţayyibah.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.
  - 3) Fatḥ al-Karīm al-Mannān of 'Ali al-Ḍabbā'.
  - 4) The books of Sheikh Toufīq Damrah in Qirā'āt.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq in:
  - 1) The Jazariyyah.

- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Petersen in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

### Teachers:

- Father, Muḥammad Zayn learned to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Sa'd Allah Khan started memorisation of the Qur'ān by him, completing 3 juz.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Isaacs memorised sections of the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana Ismāʻīl Jango memorised sections of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids memorised sections of the Qur'ān by him. Also studied *Tajwīd* by him, receiving *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī and the *Jazariyyah*. Currently learning how to combine the various *qirā'at* by him. Also read the differences of the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to him and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Moulana Iḥsān Davids completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Abū Bakr 'Abd al-Ra'ūf read a *khatm* to him.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Isaacs memorised sections of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Abū Bakr Ismā'īl revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Moos revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana Fārūq Rylands studied Arabic by him.
- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narrations of Ḥafṣ and Sūsī, as well as the *Jazariyyah*. Also studied the *Shāṭibiyyah* and ʿUlūm al-Qurʾān by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied the Jazariyyah, La'āli' al-Bayān of Samannūdī, Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfī of 'Uthmān Murād and the uṣūl of the Seven Qirā'āt by him. Received ijāzah from him for the Jazariyyah. Also read the

- differences of the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to him and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq received sanad and ijāzah from him for the Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown studied *maqāmāt* by him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos studied maqāmāt by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Arabic and Fiqh by him. Received sanad and ijāzah from him for the 40 ḥadīth on the virtues of Qur'ān by Mullā 'Ali al-Qāri' and the Tibyān of Imam Nawawi.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Obaray read *Riyāḍat al-Lisān* of Sheikh Samannūdī to him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Petersen read the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī, and subsequently combined the Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* to him.

#### Students:

- Anīsah Jabaar received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ
  via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Muḥammad Rāfiq Salie received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah after reading a khatm to him.
- Muḥammad Zayn Alexander read the narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah
  to him and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Nadhīr Majiet studied the Salsabīl al-Shāfī by him.
- Munawwar Harneker studied the *Salsabīl al-Shāfī* by him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Taught for approximately 11 years at Madrasah Sirāj al-Islām, in Rocklands, Mitchells Plain.
- Presently a teacher of Qur'ān at Dār Ubaiyy which runs under the auspices of Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt.

• Completed the recitation of the Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* at al-Tanzīl Institute of Qur'ānic Sciences.

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# Muḥammad 'Ali Jumon

Mother's name: Fāṭimah

Father's name: Ḥusayn

### Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by Sheikh Sulaymān Salie.
- Completed his first *khatm* of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Ridwān Caincross.

#### Later studies:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Sulaymān Salie.
- Also memorised sections of the Qur'ān by Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Riḍwān Caincross.

## Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Riḍwān Caincross.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Miṣbāḥ.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids in:
  - 1) Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl of Sulaymān Jamzūrī.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Sulaymān Salie studied the *makhārij* and learnt how to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Ridwān Caincross completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh Salīm Gaibie studied *Tajwīd* and *Murshid al-Qārī* by him.
- Moulana Ṭāriq Arabic speaking.
- Moulana Sulaymān Ables studied *Ṣarf* by him.
- Moulana Shabīr Galant studied *Fiqh* and Arabic Grammar by him.
- Moulana Azhar Pathan studied Arabic by him

### Past and current activities:

• Completed grade nine at Dār al-Islām High School, Surrey Estate.

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# Muḥammad (ibn Fu'ād) Davids

Mother's name: 'Ā'ishah

Father's name: Fu'ād

#### Early studies:

- Learnt how to recite Qur'ān by Mu'allimah Naṭḥīmah Jansen and completed his first *khatm* of the Qur'ān at her hands.
- Attended Madrasah al-Shāfi'iyyah in Salt River (Colleridge Road).

#### Higher Education:

- Started and completed his *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qurʾān by Sheikh Iḥsān Davids.
- Matriculated from Dār al-Islām, Surrey Estate in 2004.
- Completed the six year 'Alim Fāḍil course at Dār al-'Ulūm al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), in Strand.
- Spent much time in Syria studying under the expertise of various scholars.

#### Qualifications:

- Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qurʾān by Sheikh Iḥsān Davids.
- Completed a Diploma in Arabic in Syria.
- MA (Arabic) University of Western Cape.
- LLB University of Cape Town (current).

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah.

- Sheikh Jalāl Maḥmūd al-Qadrū (Syria) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Jamāl al-Dīn 'Abd al-Jalīl al-Ṭarābulusī (Syria) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Mu'allimah Naṭḥīmah Jansen completed his first khatm by her.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied 'Ulum al-Qur'ān by him. Also read a khatm
  to him in the narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor studied *Tafsīr* by him.
- Moulana Yāsīn 'Abbās studied *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* and '*Aqīdah* by him.
- Moulana Shāmil Ras read sections of Imam Ghazāli's *Iḥyā* with him.
- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan studied *Uṣūl al-Fiqh*, *Fiqh* and Ḥadīth by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Ables studied 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān and Tafsīr by him.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali studied Muṣṭalaḥ and Ḥadīth by him.
- Sheikh Jalāl Maḥmūd al-Qadrū read the narration of Ḥafṣ and the Qirā'ah
  of Kisā'ī to him.
- Sheikh Jamāl al-Dīn 'Abd al-Jalīl al-Ṭarābulusī read the narration of Ḥafş to him.
- Dr Saʿīd Ramaḍān al-Būṭī studied Dawābiṭ al-Maṣlaḥah, al-Ashbāh wa al-Naṭḥāʾir, al-Risālah al-Qushayriyyah and Mabāḥith Qurʾāniyyah by him.
- Shaykh Usāmah al-Rifā'ī studied al-Majmū' Sharḥ al-Muhadh-dhab, al-Kash-shāf of Zamakhsharī, Mughnī al-Labīb and Manāhil al-Irfān by him.
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  by him.

- Dr Badīʿ al-Sayyid al-Laḥḥām studied Tadrīb al-Rāwī by him.
- Dr Wahbah al-Zuḥaylī studied Fiqh by him.
- Dr Muṣṭafā al-Bughā studied *Fiqh* and the *Sunan* of Dārimi by him.
- Shaykh Abū al-Hudā al-Ya'qūbī studied Shamā'il al-Tirmidhī, al-Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī, al-Risālat al-Qushayriyyah, Durūs fī al-Tasawwuf by him.
- Shaykh Naʿīm al-ʿAraqsūsī studied the Saḥīḥ of Imam Bukhārī by him.
- Shaykh Rushdī Qalam studied Fiqh, Naḥw, Balāghah and 'Aqīdah by him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Taught 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān at the Qurrā' Development Program for a year.
- One of four interim Imams at Tennyson Road Masjid in Salt River.

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### Muhammad Fakier Khan

Mother's name: Farīdah

Father's name: Ibrāhīm

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Mu'allimah Khadījah Ceres and his uncle Boeta 'Umar Khan.
- Finished his first *khatm* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad (from Paarl).
- Attended Madrasah al-Nāṣirīn (Beacon Valley, Mitchells Plain) and Sheikh Ismā'īl Ḥasan (Beacon Valley).

### Later Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismā'īl Ḥasan.
- Also memorised the Qur'ān by Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Abd al-Raḥmān Mia (Lenasia, Johannesburg).
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad.

# Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad at Dār al-ʿUlūm in Strand.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 3) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.

Teachers:

Mu'allimah Khadījah Ceres – learnt how to recite the Qur'ān by her.

Mu'allim Ismā'īl Brown – basic Islamic studies.

• Mu'allimah Shihām Frances — basic Islamic studies.

• Mu'allimah Raḥmah Leek – basic Islamic studies.

• Mu'allimah Shirīn Ceres — basic Islamic studies.

Mu'allim Muḥammad Arendse – basic Islamic studies.

• Hāfiṭḥ 'Abd al-Raḥmān Mia – memorised sections of the Qur'ān by him.

Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad – completed the memorisation of the Qur'ān by

him.

Moulana Sulaymān Ables – studied Ṣarf and 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān by him.

• Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor – studied Arabic grammar and *Tafsīr* by him.

• Moulana Muʻādh ʻAli — studied Ḥadīth methodology and classification

(*muṣṭalaḥ*), Islamic legal theory (*Uṣūl*), and *Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn* by him.

• Moulana Yāsīn 'Abbās – studied '*Aqīdah* by him.

ullet Moulana Yā'qūb 'Abd Allah (Malawi) — studied  $\emph{Uṣul}$ ,  $\emph{Jāmi}$ '  $\emph{al-Tirmidh}\bar{\imath}$  and

Manāhil al-Irfān fī 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān by him.

Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan — studied *Uṣūl* and *Fiqh* by him.

Moulana Ṭaha Karaan – studied Fiqh by him.

Moulana Salīm Gaibie — studied the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī, portion of the

Jazariyyah, Hidāyat al-Qārī of Marṣafī by him. Also read the entire Qur'ān in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Ṭayyibah and the narration of Shu'bah via the

Shāṭibiyyah to him, receiving ijāzah in Qur'ān and in the Tuhfah.

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# Muhammad Munīb Johaadien

Mother's name: Munawwarah 'Abd al-Ra'ūf

Fathers name: Ḥasan Johaadien

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by his mother.
- Subsequently read and benefitted from Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- Completed first *khatm* by Imam 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.
- Learned *Tajwīd* from Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Imam 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.
- Continued hifth by Qāri Topia at Dār al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā, Gauteng.
- Completed hifth by Sheikh Yūsuf Dāwūdī in the Haram of Medina.
- Completed first year at Dār al-'Ulūm al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand.
- Completed a two-year Diploma in Arabic at the University of Medina.
- Graduated from the Faculty of Ḥadīth at the University of Medina.
- Studied Figh by Sheikh 'Abd Allah Zāḥim.
- Studied *Tadrīb al-Rāwī* by Mufti 'Umar 'Ābidīn ibn Sayf Allah Raḥmānī.
- Studied the *Tuḥfah al-Saniyyah* by Sheikh 'Umar Jamal al-Layl.
- Studied Jarḥ wa ta'dīl by Sheikh Anīs Ṭāhir.
- Studied Muḥarrar fī al-Ḥadīth by Sheikh Khālid Marghūb, Sulaymān al-Dhunayān and Aḥmad Hujaylī.

 Studied Touḥīd by Sheikh Ṣāliḥ Sindī, Sheikh Ibrāhīm al-Ruḥaylī, Sheikh 'Abd al-Hādī al-Madkhalī.

#### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Dāwūdī in the Haram of Medina.
- Arabic Diploma from University of Medina.
- Bachelors in Hadīth.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Yūsuf Dāwūdī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Muʻaddil.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.
  - 4) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn Ibrāhīm (Pakistan) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

#### Teachers:

- His mother, Munawwarah 'Abd al-Ra'ūf Johaadien learned to recite the Qur'ān by her, as well as the essentials of dīn.
- Imam 'Abd al-Raḥmān Sālie started *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier read and memorised sections of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Dāwūdī completed hifth by him, and received ijāzah in Ḥafṣ
  from him.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Pākistānī received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafs.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied *Tajwīd* by him.

- Moulana Sulaymān Ables studied Ṣarf by him.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali did Islamic studies by him.
- Moulana Shāmil Ras did Islamic studies by him.
- Sheikh Ṣāliḥ Sindī studied *Touḥīd* by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Ayyūb Arkānī read sections of the Qur'ān to him.
- Sheikh Anīs Ṭāhir studied Jarḥ wa ta'dīl by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Hādā al-Madkhalī did the *Sunan* of Abū Dāwūd by him.
- Sheikh Khālid Marghūb studied Ḥadīth by him.
- Sheikh Sulaymān al-Dhunayān studied Ḥadīth by him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Hujaylī studied Ḥadīth by him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Juhanī studied inheritance by him.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Ruḥaylī studied *Touḥīd* by him.
- Sheikh 'Umar Jamal al-Layl studied Arabic grammar by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah al-Ḥalabī studied Arabic grammar by him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Subayḥī studied Arabic grammar by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah al-Bukhārī studied Ḥadīth by him.
- Sheikh 'Umar 'Ābidīn ibn Sayf Allah Raḥmānī studied Tadrīb al-Rāwī of Imam Suyuṭī by him.

#### Students:

Rashād Karstens – completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Completed primary education at Habibia Primary School.
- Attended Islamia High for Grade 8 and 9.
- Attended Rondebosch Boys High from grade 10-12.

- Completed the first year at DUAI in Strand.
- Studied for a year at Dar al-'Ulum Zakariyya in Gauteng.
- Studied for 6 years at the University of Medina.
- Currently assists as an Imam at Masjid al-Salām, St Athens Road, Ahthlone.
- He is the principal of Dār al-Salām Hifth School, at Masjid al-Salām. He also teaches at the School.
- He conducts evening classes in which he teaches the correct recitation of the Qur'ān, Tajwīd as well as Ḥadīth.
- The Sheikh also teaches Qur'ān at the Leadership College.
- He is currently studying towards his LLB via UNISA.

The Sheikh currently stays in Crawford, Athlone.

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#### Muhammad Philander

Mother's name: Shirīn

Father's name: Shahīd

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'ān at al-Azhar Primary School (Egypt).
- Finished his first *khatm* by his father, Ḥāfiṭḥ Shahīd.
- Learnt the basics and essentials of *dīn* at the Azhar Primary (Egypt).

#### Later Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by his father, Ḥāfiṭḥ Shahīd.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by his father.
- Did revision of the Qur'ān by Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī (Egypt).
- Recited to Sheikh Islām Musharraf (incomplete).
- Recited to Sheikh Riḍā (incomplete).
- Completed High School as well as degree in Islamic Law at the Azhar University in Egypt.

#### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* at the hands of his father, Ḥāfiṭḥ Shahīd.
- Degree in Islamic Law from al-Azhar University, Egypt.

Sheikh Muḥammad received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Hārūn Moos (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far via the *Durrah*.

#### Teachers:

- Ḥāfiṭḥ Shahīd (father) learnt to recite Qur'ān at the hands of his father.
   Also completed the memorisation of the Qur'ān by him, as well as the essentials of dīn.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī did revision of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Muṣṭafā Lāhūnī did voice training by him.
- Sheikh Islām Musharraf recited the Qur'ān to him.
- Sheikh Ridā recited the Qur'ān to him.
- Dr Şalāḥ Zidān studied *Uṣūl* by him at the Azhar University.
- Mufti 'Ali Jum'ah current Mufti of Egypt al-Azhar Madyafah.
- Sheikh Aḥmed Ṭāhā Rayyān al-Azhar Madyafah.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos completed a khatm by him in the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie recited 8 ajzā'to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan read 8 *ajzā*' to him in the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī.
- Imam Sirāj Willenberg did revision of the Qur'ān by him.

#### Students:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi (Malawi) completed the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan reciting the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far to him.
- Sheikh Yusuf Philander received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Qirā'ah
  of Abū Ja'far.
- Sheikh Abū Bakr West received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Qirā'ah
  of Abū Ja'far.

### Past and Current Activities:

- Assists at Nūr al-Laṭīf Masjid (Kramat, Macassar) by giving occasional khutbahs on Fridays.
- Has weekly Qur'ān classes at Nūr al-Laṭīf Masjid.
- Currently reciting the narration of Warsh to Sheikh Hārūn Moos.
- Also reciting the narration of Ḥafṣ to Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
- Also reciting the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī to Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan.
- Principal of Sheikh Yusuf Centre (SYC) Kramat, Macassar.
- Performed Tarāwīḥ Prayer at Shukr al-Mubīn Masjid, York Road, Lansdowne.
- Founder of Sheikh Yusuf Centre, Lansdowne, York Road.

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The Sheikh currently resides in Lansdowne.

Muḥammad Qāsim Dramat

Mother's name: Touhīdah

**Father's name:** Sirāj

He always had the fervor to memorise the Qur'an. His mother attributes this to the fact that he was born in Mecca. At the age of nine he voiced his desire to memorise the Qur'an. At the age of 11 his parents conceded to him memorising the Qur'an,

which he accomplished in less than three years.

Studies:

Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.

Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.

Qualifications:

Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.

Received sanad and ijāzah from:

Sheikh Ihsān Abrahams in:

1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʻaddil.

Teachers:

Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams – completed his hifth, as well as received sanad and

ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.

Past and Current Activities:

Currently at al-Azhar High School.

2013 - 2015 - Performed the Tarāwīḥ Prayers at Castletown Masjid,

Wynberg.

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• Currently he is a student at al-Tanzīl Institite of Quranic Sciences where he is studying *Tajwīd*, Arabic and reciting the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *turuq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.

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# Muḥammad Rāfiq Salie

Mother's name: Najwah Salie

Father's name: Ridwan Salie

### **Early Studies:**

- Learned to recite the Qur'ān by Moulana Riḍwān Berry.
- Completed his first khatm by Sheikh Ridwān Saiet.
- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana Riḍwān Berry.
- Attended Moulana Rāja's madrasah.

#### Later Studies:

- Matriculated from Windsor High in 2005.
- Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt at Dār Ubaiyy.
- Completed two years Arabic and Islamic studies at Dar al-Na'im, Wynberg.
- Completed four modules of the Qurra' Development Program.

# Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Alawī Alexander in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.

- Moulana 'Abd al-Rahmān Khan in:
  - 1) The 40 hadīth of Mulla 'Ali al-Qārī.

#### Teachers:

- Boeta Karim learned how to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Adnān Khatieb learned how to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana Ridwān Berry memorised 3 *juz* by him.
- Moulana Faḍl al-Dīn Anthony memorised 5 juz by him.
- Sheikh Riḍwān Saiet memorised some *juz* by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt memorised some *juz* by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Sulaymān revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Alawī Alexander received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied Tajwīd by him, receiving sanad and ijāzah from him in the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī and the Jazariyyah.
- Moulana Iḥsān Davids completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied *Tajwīd* by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown studied *maqāmāt* by him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos studied *maqāmāt* by him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied Arabic by him.

#### Students:

• Dhākir Jogee – completed *ḥifṭḥ* by him in September of 2014.

#### Past and Current Activities:

2006, 2007, 2008 – was a student at Dār Ubaiy.

- 2009 2010 was a student at Dār al-Naʿīm, Wynberg.
- 2010 2011 was a student at the Qurrā' Development Program.
- 2012 was a student at Markaz al-Nīl, Egypt.
- Previously did revision of the Qur'ān with Sheikh 'Alawī Alexander.
- Lead the *Tarāwīḥ* at Kromboom Masjid for the past four years.
- Currently he is the principal of Dār al-Shifā Hāfith School. The school operates from Shukr al-Mubīn Masjid in York Road, Lansdowne, and offers *hifth* classes on a full-time, and part-time bases for males.

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# Muḥammad Riyād Obaray

Mother's name: Sakīnah

Father's name: Arshād ibn Ibrāhīm ibn Ismā'īl ibn Yūsuf

#### **Early Studies:**

- Learnt to recite Qur'ān at the hands of Imam Sirāj Willenberg in 1992 at the age of 11.
- Memorised 2 and three-quarter juz on a partime basis by Imam Sirāj before attending hifth on a fulltime basis.

#### Higher Education:

- Completed hifth at the hands Hāfith 'Adnān Khatib under the tutelage of Moulana 'Ādil Johaar.
- Graduated from Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle in 2004.
- Subsequently did post graduate studies at Dār al-'Ulum al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand, from 2005 to the end of 2006.

#### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Adnān Khatib.
- Completed the 'Ālim course at Darul Ulum Newcastle.
- Did post graduate studies at DUAI, Strand.

# Moulana Riyāḍ received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah.
  - 2) The narration of Shu bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) Murshid al-Qārī.

- 4) The Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.
- 5) The Sharḥ Ṣaghīr of 'Ali al-Dabbā' on the Tuḥfah.
- 6) The Jazariyyah.
- 7) The text of Sheikh Saʿīd ʿAbd Allah for the *ṭarīq* of the *Miṣbāḥ*.
- 8) The text of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the *ṭarīq* of the *Miṣbāḥ*.
- 9) The text of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān for the ṭarīq of the Rouḍah.
- 10) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
- 11) Umniyyat al-Walhān of Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
- 12) Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfī.
- 13) Riyāḍat al-Lisān.
- 14) Al-Tibyān of Imam Nawawī.
- 15) Fath al-Karīm of 'Ali al-Dabbā'.
- 16) Al-Fawā'id al-Makkiyyah of Qāri 'Abd al-Raḥmān al-Makkī.

Moulana Riyāḍ has received *ijazah* from various scholars of Ḥadīth such as Moulana Sema for the Ṣaḥiḥ of al-Bukhari, Moulana Yāsīn Abbas, Mufti Fayyāḍ al-Raḥīm, Moulana 'Abd al-Ḥafīṭḥ Makki, Moulana Faḍl al-Raḥmān al-A'ṭḥamī, Dr Jonathan AC Brown and Dr Akram al-Nadwī.

#### Teachers:

- Imam Sirāj Willenberg learnt how to recite the Qur'ān by him. Also started his memorisation of the Qur'ān by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Adnān Khatib completed his memorisation of the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Basha studied Arabic grammar and Anwār al-Masālik in Shāfiʿī Fiqh by him. Also read Balāghat al-Wāḍiḥah to him.
- Moulana Ni'mat Allah 'Ali studied Arabic grammar and Mughnī al-Muḥtāj (from Kitāb al-Ṭahārah to Kitāb al-Nikāḥ) by him. Also studied Uṣūl al-Fiqh al-Islāmī of Sheikh Wahbah Zuḥaylī by him. Read Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ to him.

- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor studied al-Wajīz of Dr Hitu in Uṣūl al-Fiqh by him.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali studied al-Wajīz of Dr Hitu in Uṣūl al-Fiqh and Manhaj al-Naqd of Nūr al-Dīn 'Iṭr by him. Also studied 'Ilm al-Rijāl' by him. Read sections of al-Tirmidhī to him.
- Moulana Maḥmūd Akram studied Morphology with him. Also read *Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ* and the *Sunan* of al-Tirmidhī to him.
- Muftī Fayyāḍ al-Raḥīm studied Taysīr Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth by him. Read the Ṣaḥīḥ of al-Bukhārī and the Sunan of al-Tirmidhī to him.
- Moulana Yāsīn Abbas studied Manhaj al-Naqd of M. Muṣṭafā al-Aʿṭḥamī and Kubrā al-Yaqīniyyāt by him. Also studied Ilm al-Rijāl, Takhrīj al-Ḥadīth and Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth by him. Read the Musnad of Imam al-Shāfʿī to him. Moulana Riyāḍ read numerous books on Ḥadīth and related subjects while under the tutalege of Moulana Yāsīn.
- Moulana Ismāʿīl Akoo read Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥin to him.
- Moulana Qāsim Sema read the Ṣaḥīḥ of al-Bukhārī to him.
- Mufti Shahid Ḥasan read the Ṣaḥīḥ of Muslim, al-Tibyān fī 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān and Tafsīr al-Jalālayn to him.
- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan read sections of *al-Tirmidhī* to him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Rashīd Goga read the Sunan of Abū Dāwūd to him.
- Moulana Firouz Adam studied *'Ilm al-Mīrāth* by him.
- Moulana Nazīr Parak studied the basics of Tajwīd by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied Tajwīd by him. Read Murshid al-Qārī, the Tuḥfah, the Jazariyyah, the poems of qaṣr for Ḥafṣ via Miṣbāḥ and the Rouḍah, Umniyyat al-Walhān of Samannūdī and various other texts to him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah al-Jār Allah heard (Samā') La'āli' al-Bayān being read to him.

Students:

• Nadhīr Majiet – he studied the *Bahjah* of Samannūdī, the text of Sheikh

'Āmir Sayyid 'Uthmān, the poems of Sheikh Saʿīd 'Abd Allah and Sheikh

Zāyid Shanqīţī for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ by him.

• Sulaymān Mohamed – studying various texts by him, as well as reading the

narration of Ḥafs via the Ṭayyibah to him.

• Amīr Brinkhuis – completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the ṭuruq of the

Tayyibah by him. Also studied Murshid al-Qāri, the Tuḥfah, Sharḥ al-Ṣaghīr

of al-Dabbā', the Jazariyyah, the Bahjah of Samannūdī, the text of Sheikh

'Āmir Sayyid 'Uthmān, the poems of Sheikh Sa'īd 'Abd Allah and Sheikh

Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ by him.

• Muḥammad Qāsim Dramat - Studied Murshid al-Qāri, the Tuḥfah, the

Jazariyyah, the Bahjah of Samannūdī, the text of Sheikh 'Āmir Sayyid

'Uthmān, the poems of Sheikh Saʿīd 'Abd Allah and Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī

for the *ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ* by him

Written Works:

• Translation of *Fatḥ al-Karīm al-Mannān fī Ādāb Ḥamalat al-Qurʾān* by 'Ali

al-Dabbā'.

Past and Current Activities:

Taught Ḥadīth at Dār al-Maḥāmid.

Currently he is a teacher at al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences.

• Currently studying and reading various *Qirā'āt* to Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

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# Muḥammad Şabīḥ philander

Mother's name: Rushān

Father's name: Zakariyyā

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by his father, Moulana Zakariyya.
- Completed first *khatm* by Sheikh Fahmī Parker.
- Studied at Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle.
- Also did intial Islamic studies at Masjid al-Munawwar (Retreat, Cape Town).

### **Higher Education:**

- Started hifth by his father, Moulana Zakariyyā.
- Memorised some portions of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Aḥmad.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Fahmī Parker.

# Qualifications:

 Completed hifth at Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā' (JEQ) under the tutelage of Sheikh Fahmī Parker.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Ali al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Rajā'ī Barghash (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Qālūn via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The narration of Warsh via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- His father, Moulana Zakariyyā learnt how to recite the Qur'ān by him. Also started his *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān under his father's guidance, as well as studying the essentials of *dīn*.
- Sheikh Ahmad –
- Sheikh Nadīm Amos —
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos –
- Sheikh Abdullah –
- Sheikh Fahmī Parker completed *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Rāshid Kakie –
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids —
- Sheikh 'Adnān Khatieb —
- Sheikh Zahīr Kamaldien currently reciting the *Qirā'ah* of Ḥamzah to him.
- Sheikh 'Ali al-Zanātī read the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim by him and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Sheikh Rajā'ī Barghash read the narrations of Qālūn and Warsh to him and received *sanad* and *ijāzah*.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Nabī —

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Attained 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 2005 Rabita competition, in the 5 *juz* category.
- Attained 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the 2010 South African National Hifth Competition, organised by the Department of Quranic Affairs (DQA) and Rabita.
- Represented South Africa in the International Quran Awards in Dubai in 2011.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* at JEQ in 2012.
- Completed matric in 2012 at The Oracle Academy.

- Furthered his Qur'ānic and Arabic studies in Egypt.
- Currently reciting the *Qirā'ah* of Ḥamzah to Sheikh Zahīr Kamaldien, as well as studying certain texts in *Tajwīd* by him.

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#### Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie

Mother's name: Rashīdah

Father's name: Ismā'īl

#### Early studies:

- Learned recitation of the Qur'ān under the auspices of Imam Na'īm Moerat at Walmer Road Madrasah. Under Imam Na'īm's tutelage he completed his first rendition of the entire Qur'ān (tamat).
- Did basic Tajwīd and Fiqh by Imam Naʿīmʾs son, Sheikh Muḥammad Moerat.
- Attended Crawford Madrasah and learnt under Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥman Hendricks, the present Imam of Masjid al-Salām, Crawford.

### Higher education:

- Memorised the Qur'ān at the expert hands of Moulana Fārūq Patel, a student of the recognised master, Sheikh Ṣāliḥ 'Abādī.
- While doing hifth, he also completed matric via Damelin Correspondence College.
- Completed the 'Alim course at Dar al-'Ulum Zakariyya in Gauteng.
- Spent a year in Medina and completed a Diploma in Arabic.
- Specialised in the field of *Qirā'āt* at the hands of the authority, Qāri Ayyūb ibn Ibrāhīm Isḥāq.

### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana Fārūq Patel.
- Completed the 'Alim course at Dar al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā in Gauteng.

- Completed the 10 Qirā'āt via the ṭarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah, the Durrah and the Ṭayyibah by Qāri Ayyūb ibn Ibrāhīm Isḥāq, receiving ijāzah from him.
- Studied and received sanad and ijāzah in the Four Shādhdh Qirā'āt.

#### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Qāri Ayyūb ibn Ibrāhīm Isḥāq (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The Seven and the 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the *Durrah* and the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 3) The *Shāṭibiyyah* and his '*Aqīlah*.
- Qāri Ismā'īl Isḥāq (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The Seven and the 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the *Durrah* and the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Sheikh Ḥasan Muṣṭafā al-Warrāqī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Muʻaddil and Miṣbāḥ.
  - 3) The 10 *Qirāʾāt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrah*.
  - 4) The Four *Shādhdh Qirā'āt* of Ibn Muḥaysin, Ḥasan al-Basrī, Yaḥyā al-Yazīdī and A'mash.
  - 5) Tuhfat al-Atfāl.
  - 6) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 7) Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfī by 'Uthmān Murād.
  - 8) *Al-Laʾāliʾ al-Bayān* by Samannūdī.
  - 9) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ by Samannūdī.
  - 10) The Shāṭibiyyah, the Durrah, and the Ṭayyibah.
  - 11) All his written works and transmissions.

- Sheikh Aḥmad Mia al-Thānawī (Pakistan) in:
  - 1) The 10 Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah.
  - 2) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 3) The Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Şalāḥ al-Dīn al-Ḥasanī al-Tijānī al-Miṣrī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The 10 Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah, the Durrah and the Ṭayyibah.
  - 2) All his *sanads* to various books of *Qirā'āt*, *Tajwīd* and other sciences.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm ibn Ṣāliḥ al-Ḥusaynī (Nigeria) in:
  - 1) The 10 Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah.
  - 2) All his sanads in various sciences.
- Sheikh Aḥmad ibn Muḥammad Sa'd al-Shāfi'ī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.
  - 3) The Shāṭibiyyatayn.
  - 4) Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfī.
  - 5) All his transmissions and books.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn Ibrāhīm Yaʿqūbī (Syria) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 3) The Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Ayman Baqlah (Syria) in:
  - 1) The Seven and the 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the *Durrah* and the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) The Shāṭibiyyah, the Durrah and the Ṭayyibah.

- Sheikh Aḥmad ibn Sa'd al-'Awwād (Riyadh) in:
  - 1) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 2) The *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Ilyās Barmāwī (Medina) in:
  - 1) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 2) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ by Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
  - 3) Matn of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān for qaṣr in Ḥafṣ.
- Sheikhah Kareema Carol Czerepinski in:
  - 1) Her books, Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān.
- Sheikh Toufīq Damrah (Jordon) in:
  - 1) All his written works and transmissions.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Ḥāmid Aḥmad Akram (Medina) in:
  - 1) The Seven and the 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the *Durrah* and the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) The Four Shādhdh Qirā'āt.
  - 3) All his transmissions to various books of *Qirāʾāt*, *Tajwīd*, Hadīth etc.
- Sheikh Yaḥyā Gouthānī (Medina) in:
  - 1) Heard (samā') Al-Arba'ūn al-Ghouthāniyyah being read to the Sheikh.
  - 2) Received *ijāzah ʿāmmah* for all his tranmissions.

#### Teachers:

- Imam Na'īm Moerat learnt how to read the Qur'ān by him. Completed his first *khatm* (entire rendition of the Qur'ān) at the hands of Sheikh Na'īm.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Moerat learnt basic Fiqh and Tajwīd.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Hendricks learnt basic Fiqh, history and Islamic fundamentals.
- Moulana Fārūq Patel memorised the Qur'ān under the auspices of this
  excellent and outstanding Hāfith, a student of the late Sheikh Ṣāliḥ 'Abādī.
- Mufti Riḍā' al-Ḥaqq read al-Bukhārī, Ibn Mājah, al-Hidāyah and other books of Hadith and Fiqh to him.
- Mufti Muḥammad 'Ali read al-Tirmidhī and other books of Hadith and
  Figh to him. Received ijāzah 'āmmah from him.
- Moulana 'Alā' al-Din read various books of Hadith to him and received ijāzah 'āmmah from him.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq read the Seven and 10 *Qirā'āt* to him. Also studied many books of *Qirā'āt* by him including *al-Kashf* of Makkī ibn Abī Ṭālib.
- Qāri Ismā'il Isḥāq received ijāzah from him in the 10 Qirā'āt.
- Sheikh Ismā'il Londt learnt maqāmāt from him. Currently reciting the Qur'ān to him according to the narration of Ḥafs via the tarīq of the Shātibiyyah.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos read until the end of *Sūrat al-Anfāl* to him according to Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Rouḍah* and received *ijāzah* for it.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids read the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* to him. Also read
  all the places of *ikhtilāf* for Ḥafṣ to him and received *ijāzah* for it. Read Eight
  juz to him in the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim.
- Sheikh Ḥasan ibn Muṣṭafā al-Warrāqī read Sūrat al-Fātiḥah and al-Baqarah incorporating all 10 Qirā'āt via the ṭarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah to

- him and received *ijāzah* for it and the entire Qur'ān. Also read many texts of *Tajwīd* and *Qirā'āt* to him. Received *ijāzah 'āmmah* from him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad ibn Sa'd al-'Awwād read the *Tuḥfah*, the *Jazariyyah* and the *Shāṭibiyyah* to him.
- Sheikh Ilyās ibn Aḥmad al-Barmāwī read the Jazariyyah and other texts to him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Ya'qūbī read a portion of the Qur'ān, as well as sections of the *Jazariyyah* and the *Shāṭibiyyah* to him.
- Sheikh Ayman Baqlah read Sūrat al-Fātiḥah and a portion of Sūrat al-Baqarah to him in the 10 Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah, the Durrah and the Ṭayyibah to him. Also read sections of the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah to him.
- Sheikhah Kareema Carol Czerepinski read her books to her and received ijāzah for it.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Muḥammad Sa'd al-Azharī al-Shāfi'ī heard various books and Hadith being read to the Sheikh. Received ijāzah 'āmmah from him.
- Sheikh Ṣalāḥ al-Dīn al-Ḥasanī al-Tijānī al-Miṣrī received *ijāzah* from him in *Qirāʾāt* as well as all Islamic sciences.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm ibn Ṣāliḥ al-Ḥusaynī read a portion of the Qur'ān to him in all 10 Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah. The Sheikh read Hadith al-Musalsal bi al-Awwaliyyah to Moulana Salīm and then gave him ijāzah 'āmmah.
- Sheikh Toufiq Damrah (Jordon) received ijāzah from him for all his written works and transmissions.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids read the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah to him and received ijāzah for them.
- Sheikh Ḥāmid Aḥmad Akram read a section of the Qur'ān combining all
   10 Qirā'āt via the Ṭayyibah to him. Also read a portion of his thabat to him.

Moulana Salīm received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in *Qirā'āt* and all his transmissions.

Moulana Salīm also received *ijāzah 'āmmah* from Sheikh Muḥammad Akram al-Nadwī, Sheikh Muḥammad 'Awwāmah, Moulana Faḍl al-Raḥmān al-A'ṭḥamī, Moulana Yūsuf Karaan, Sheikh Āmin Fakier and Sheikh Raḥmat Allah ibn 'Abd al-Ghanī al-Arkānī, Sheikh Yaḥyā al-Ghouthānī and Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan.

#### Students:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi'ī (Malāwī) completed the narration of Ḥafs via the tarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah. Has studied the Tuḥfah, the Jazariyyah and the Shāṭibiyyah, as well as other texts of Tajwīd and Qirā 'āt by Moulana Salīm. He also completed the Seven and 10 Qirā'āt by him via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah, as well as the Four Shādh Qirā'āt. He received ijāzah 'āmmah from him.
- Sheikh Sayyid Naqīb (Malaysia) completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the tarīq of the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah. Has studied the Tuḥfah, the Jazariyyah and the Shāṭibiyyah, as well as other texts of Tajwīd and Qirā'āt by him. He also completed the Seven Qirā'āt.
- Moulana Ya'qūb ibn Yūsuf ibn 'Abd Allah (Malawi) completed Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah* and Shu'bah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*. He read the *Jazariyyah* to him from memory and received *ijāzah* for it. Also studied the *Shāṭibiyyah* by him.
- Muḥammad (ibn Fu'ād) Davids (Salt River) read the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos completed the *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far, Abū 'Amr, Ḥamzah, Kisā'ī, and the narration of Warsh via the *Shāṭibiyyah* by him. Also read the *uṣūl* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* to him from memory.
- Sheikh Ismā'il Londt completed the narration of Warsh by Moulana Salīm and read the *uṣūl* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* from memory to Moulana Salīm. He received *ijāzah* for all that he read to him.

- Sheikh Riḍwān Saiet completed the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī and the *Jazariyyah*, the *turuq* of the *Ṭayyibah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ, as well as other texts in *Tajwīd* by him. Received *ijāzah* for whatever he completed by him. He furthermore read the differences in the *Qirāʾah* of Khalaf al-ʿĀshir via the *Durrah* and certain *turuq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to Moulana and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Floris completed the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī and the *Jazariyyah*, the *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ, as well as other texts in *Tajwīd* by him. Received *ijāzah* for whatever he completed by him. He furthermore read the differences in the *Qirāʾah* of Khalaf al-ʿĀshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to Moulana and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥman Davids completed the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī and the *Jazariyyah*, as well as the *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ. He has also completed the narration of Qālūn, the *Qirā'āt* of Ibn Kathīr, 'Āṣim, Ibn 'Āmir al-Shāmī and Abū Ja'far by him
- Sheikh Ḥusayn Dalvie completed the *Qirā'ah* of Ḥamzah and 20 *ajzā'* in the *Qirā'ah* if Ibn Kathīr by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ I'jāz Mukaddam completed the narration of Warsh via the Shāṭibiyyah and via the ṭarīq of Aṣbahānī, the Qirā'āt of Ibn Kathīr, Kisā'ī, Khalaf al-'Āshir and Ḥamzah by him. Ḥāfiṭḥ I'jāz received sanad and ijāzah from Moulana Salīm in all 10 Qirā'āt after rendering them individually, reading some to him and the others to Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids.
- Sheikh Sālim Peck completed the Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* by him.
- Moulana Mustaqīm Paulse completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah, various ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah, as well as the Seven Qirāʾāt via the Shāṭibiyyah by him. Also completed many books of Tajwīd by him. He furthermore read the differences in the Qirāʾah of Khalaf al-ʿĀshir via the Durrah and certain ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah to Moulana and received sanad and ijāzah from him.

- Moulana Ibrāhīm Darries completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah, various ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah, as well as the Seven Qirāʾāt via the Shāṭibiyyah by him. Also completed many books of Tajwīd by him. He furthermore read the differences in the Qirāʾah of Khalaf al-ʿĀshir via the Durrah and certain ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah to Moulana and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Moulana Luqmān Ben completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah, various ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah, as well as the Seven Qirāʾāt via the Shāṭibiyyah by him. Also completed many books of Tajwīd by him. He furthermore read the differences in the Qirāʾah of Khalaf al-ʿĀshir via the Durrah and certain ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah to Moulana and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Moulana Afdal Hatia completed the narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah, various ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah, as well as the Seven Qirāʾāt via the Shāṭibiyyah by him. Also completed many books of Tajwīd by him. He furthermore read the differences in the Qirāʾah of Khalaf al-ʿĀshir via the Durrah and certain ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah to Moulana and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Abrahams studied many texts of Tajwīd and Qirā'āt by Moulana Salīm, as well as recited the entire Qur'ān to him in all Seven Qirā'āt via the ṭarīq of the Shāṭbiyyah. She is the first female in South Africa to complete the study and rendition of the Seven Qirā'āt.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Petersen completed the Seven Qirā'āt by Moulana Salīm, receiving sanad and ijāzah from him. Also studied various texts and books of Tajwīd by him. He furthermore read the differences in the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain turuq of the Tayyibah to Moulana and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Sheikh Imtiyāz Isaacs studied and read the Four *Shādhdh Qirā'āt* to him. Also read a portion of the Qur'ān to him combining the 10 *Qirā'āt* via the

- Shāṭibiyyah and the *Durrah* to him. He received *ijāzah* for all that he did by Moulana Salīm, as well as *ijāzah* 'āmmah from him.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Obaray read the narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah to him. Also studied many texts and books by him. Currently reading various Qirā'āt to Moulana Salīm.
- 'Abd Allah Forbes read the narration of Ḥafs to him via the Shāṭibiyyah and with qaṣr via the Rouḍah of Mu'addil and the Miṣbāḥ.
- Țḥāfir Lee read the narration of Ḥafṣ to him via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and with *qaṣr* via the *Rouḍah* of Muʿaddil and the *Miṣbāḥ*.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nadhīr Majiet read the differences in the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah to Moulana and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Sulaymān Mohamed read the differences in the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah to Moulana and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Zayn Alexander read the differences in the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to Moulana and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him. Also read *Umniyyat al-Walhān* of Sheikh Samannūdī from memory to Moulana and received *ijāzah* for the text as well as the *ṭuruq* which make *sakt* in the narration of Ḥafṣ.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Akhlāq Oldey read the differences in the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain turuq of the Tayyibah to Moulana and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Alawī Alexander read the differences in the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to Moulana and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh Munawwar Harneker read the differences in the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ţuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* to Moulana and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.

• Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown — read a *khatm* to the him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the *Miṣbāḥ*, the *Rouḍah* of Mu'addil, the *Tajrīd*, the *Rouḍah* of al-Mālikī and the *Tidhkār* of Ibn Shīṭā. He also completed the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī, the poem of Sheikh 'Āmir al-Sayyid 'Uthmān for the *Rouḍah* of Mu'addil, *Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ* of Samannūdī, the poem of Sheikh Saʿīd 'Abd Allah for the *ṭarīq* of the *Miṣbāḥ*, the poem of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the *ṭarīq* of the *Miṣbāḥ* and *Umniyyat al-Walhān* of Samannūdī by him. He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for all that he completed by Moulana Salīm.

There are many other students who are still reading various *Qirā'āt* and studying many books by Moulana Salīm.

#### Written works:

- *Murshid al-Qāri*, book one; a basic primer on *Tajwīd*.
- *Murshid al-Qāri*, book two; a commentary on the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- Murshid al-Qāri, book three; a commentary on the Jazariyyah.
- Isnād al-Jazarī al-Imām bi riwāyah Ḥafṣ ibn Sulaymān a study on the sanads of Ibn al-Jazarī via the ṭuruq in the Ṭayyibah.
- Al-Wajāzah liman Yatlubu al-Ijāzah bi al-Tuḥfah wa al-Jazariyyah the texts
  of the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah according to what the author read to his
  teachers.
- Al-Majmū'at al-Dhahabiyyah fī ta'līmi Ṭarīqay al-Rouḍah wa al- Shāṭibiyyah
   a commentary on the Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Samannūdī and the text of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān on qaṣr of munfaṣil for Ḥafṣ via the ṭarīq of the Roudah.
- Ghunyat al-Ṭalabah fī Taysīr al-Sabʿah a primer on the rules for the Seven Qirāʾāt and a brief commentary on the Shāṭibiyyah.

Şafaḥāt fī Isnād Rijāl al-Qirā'āt — biographies of contemporary qurrā' around

the globe and their sanads.

• Ujūlah al-Nāfi'ah fī al-Qirā'āt al-'Arba' al-Zā'idah 'alā al-'Ashr al-Mutawātirah

- introduction to the Four *Shādhdh* (anomalous) *Qirā'āt*, as well as a

commentary on the Fawa'id al-Mu'tabarah of Sheikh Mutawallī, which

discusses the theory for these Four Qirā'āt.

A commentary on Umniyyat al-Walhān of Sheikh Ibrāhīm al-Samannūdī.

• Shajrat al-Ḥabl al-Matīn bi Dhikr Asānīdī ilā Kalām Rabb al-ʿĀlamīn — a

book which details the sanads of Moulana Salīm from his teachers to the

Prophet in the field of *Qirā'āt* in the form of diagrams.

Past and Current Activities:

• Lecturer in *Tajwīd, Qirā'āt* and *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* at Dār al-'Ulūm al-

'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand.

• Member of Department of Qur'ānic Affairs (D.Q.A.), under the auspices of

the Muslim Judicial Council (M.J.C.).

• An author of a few works in the field of *Tajwīd* and *Qirā'āt*.

• Previously the co-ordinator of the QDP (Qurrā' Development Program)

which aimed at teaching huffāth the finer intricacies of Tajwīd as well as the

Seven Qirā'āt, amongst other sciences of the Qur'ān.

• The regional co-ordinator of SANQC (South African National Quran

Competition Committee).

• Currently has his own school, al-Tanzīl Institute of Qurʿānic Sciences.

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#### Muhammad Samuels

Mother's name: Zaynab

Father's name: Muḥammad

### Early studies:

- Attended Madrasah al-Nāsirīn.
- Learnt to read the Qur'an by Khalifah Miraaj Jacobs.
- Completed first *khatm* by Khalifah Miraaj Jacobs.

### Higher Education:

- Completed grade 10 at Beacon Hill High School.
- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Miraaj Jacobs.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana Yūnus Rodha at Dār al-ʿUlūm Newcastle.
- Studied Arabic.

### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana Yūnus Rodha.
- Received sanad and ijāzah in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim and Ibn Kathīr.

- Sheikh Riḍā Sālim (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the .
- Sheikh Ḥasan Rajab (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Ibn Kathīr via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir.

#### Teachers:

- Khalifah Miraaj Jacobs learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him. Also started
   *hifth* by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Rodha completed his hifth by him.
- Sheikh Riḍā Sālim received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafş and Shu<sup>c</sup>bah.
- Sheikh Ḥasan Rajab received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Qirā'ah of Ibn Kathīr.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids received sanad and ijāzah from him in the the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī and Khalaf al-'Āshir. He is also studying the Tuḥfah, the Jazariyyah and the Shāṭibiyyah by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Yūsuf Valli Kala.

#### Students:

- Hāshim Gamieldien read a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Muḥammad 'Ali Viljoen completed his ḥifṭḥ by the Sheikh.
- Sāliem Yates completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.
- Şābirah Jappie completed her *ḥifṭḥ* by the Sheikh.
- Muḥammad Sīn Samuels completed his hifth by the Sheikh.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Performs "imāmat".
- Teaches hifth.

• Offers adult Quranic literacy classes.

 Currently teaching at Al-Shāṭibiyyah Hafith Institute — the institute caters for boys and girls and is situated at Westgate Mall Ṣalāh Khānah, corner of Morgenster and Vanguard Drive.

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# Muḥammad Shafīq Ibrahim

Mother's name: Waasika Ebrahim

Father's name: Amīr al-Dīn Ebrahim

### Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'an by Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids.
- Completed his first khatm by Sheikh Fahmi Parker.

### **Higher Education:**

• Memorised the Qur'ān by Sheikh Abū Bakr Taliep and Sheikh Fahmi Parker.

#### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ*.

- Sheikh Imtiyāz Isaacs in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the turuq of the Tayyibah.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 3) The Tuḥfah.
- Sheikh Zahīr Kamaldien in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The Tuḥfah.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The Qira'ah of Ḥamzah via the Shāṭibiyyah.

- Sheikh 'Ali al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of Ibn Kathīr via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids in:
  - 1) The Tuhfah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The Tuhfah.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him. Also received ijāzah from him for the Tuḥfah.
- Sheikh Abū Bakr Taliep memorised 15 juz by him.
- Sheikh Fahmi Parker memorised 15 juz by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien revised the Qur'ān with him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied the *Jazariyyah* by him.
- Sheikh Imtiyāz Isaacs studied *Touḍīḥ al-Maʿālim* by him. Also received *ijāzah* from him for the narration of Ḥafṣ via certain ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah, the Qirāʾah of Kisāʾī, as well as receiving ijāzah from him for the Tuḥfah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie received ijāzah from him for the Tuḥfah.
- Sheikh Zahīr Kamaldien completed the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim, receiving *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him. Also studied the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by him and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for them.
- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī completed the Qirā'ah of Ḥamzah via the Shāṭibiyyah by him.

• Sheikh 'Ali al-Zanātī – completed the narration of Qālūn via all four

allowances found in the Shāṭibiyyah, as well as the Qirā'ah of Ibn Kathīr via

the Shāṭibiyyah.

Past and Current Activities:

Attended JEQ for four years.

• Represented JEQ in three competitions.

• Studied at Dār al-Naʿīm Institute for Higher Islamic Studies.

• Studied Qur'anic sciences at the Qurra' Development Program.

Currently in Egypt furthering his studies in the Qur'ān, as well as studying

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# Muḥammad Shahīd August

Mother's name: Naseba

Father's name: Muḥammad Sedick

### Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'an by Khalifah Hajirah Damon.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Moulana Farīd Isaacs and Sheikh Hārūn Moos.
- Attended madrasah at Masjid al-Ikhlās, Hanover Park.

### Higher Education:

- Started his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Mubārik Taliep.
- Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana Farīd Isaacs and Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor.
- Did Arabic studies at Dar al-'Ulum Newcastle.

# Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ*.

- Sheikh Hārūn Moos in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Rouḍah.
- Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.

Teachers:

• Khalifah Hājirah Damon – learned how to recite the Qur'ān by her.

Moulana Farīd Isaacs – completed his first khatm as well as his hifh by him.

Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor – completed his hifth by him.

• Sheikh Hārūn Moos – read two *khatms* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ: first

via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* then via the *ṭarīq* of the *Rouḍah*. Received

sanad and ijāzah from him in what he read.

• Sheikh Mubārik Taliep – started his *ḥifṭh* by him.

• Iḥsān Davids — received *ijāzah* from him in the *Tuḥfah*.

• Moulana Salīm Gaibie – studied the *Tuḥfah*, sections of the *Jazariyyah*, and

various other texts on Tajwīd and the ṭuruq of Ḥafṣ by him. Received ijāzah

from him for the Tuhfah.

Past and Current Activities:

• Taught at Sheikh Yūsuf Booley's *ḥifṭḥ* school at Sheikh Yūsuf's house.

Taught hifth at Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā' (JEQ).

Taught hifth with Sheikh 'Abd al-Rahman Davids.

• Currently teaches *ḥifṭḥ* with Sheikh Hārūn Moos at Imam Nawawi Institute

for Quranic studies, Grassy Park.

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# Muhammad Yūsuf Hendricks

Mother's name: Firdous

Father's name: Iḥsān

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by his mother, Firdous.
- Completed first *khatm* by Ustādh 'Adnān Khatieb.

#### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Ustādh Mukhtār Jamie.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana 'Abd al-'Azīz Vallie.
- Studied at Markaz Fajr, Egypt.
- Completed at Markaz Iqra', Egypt.

# Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana 'Abd al-'Azīz Vallie.

- Sheikh 'Amr 'Aṭiyyah (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Muṣṭafā Abū Bakr al-Dāwūdī al-Zaghlūl (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of Ibn Kathīr via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 3) The Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī via the Shāṭibiyyah.

- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.

#### Teachers:

- Mother, Firdous learnt to recite the Qur'ān by her.
- Ustādh Mukhtār Jamie started memorising the Qur'ān by him.
- Ustādh 'Adnān Khatieb completed his first *khatm* of the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-'Azīz Valley completed his *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Muṣṭafā Abū Bakr al-Dāwūdī al-Zaghlūl completed the Qirā'āt of 'Āṣim, Ibn Kathīr and Kisā'ī by him.
- Sheikh 'Amr 'Aṭiyyah completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, as well as the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī read the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī to him.
   Currently reading various *Qirā'āt* to the Sheikh.

#### Past and current activities:

- Currently studying at the Azhar College, Egypt.
- Furthering his studies in the field of *Qirā'āt* under various experts in Egypt.
- Reading various *Qirā'āt* to Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī in Egypt.

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# Muḥammad Zayn Alexander

Mother's name: Wasīmah

Father's name: Sulayman

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān at the hands of Mu'allimah Shahidah Jabaar at the age of four.
- Subsequently went to Al-Azhar Primary School under the tutorship of Sheikh Muḥammad Mamdouh (Egypt).
- Completed his first *khatm* by Imam 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Imam 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie in 2005 at the age of 15.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Imam 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie in July 2007.
- Completed the 1<sup>st</sup> year at Dār al-Naʿīm, studying Arabic Grammar, Morphology and *Tarjamah* (translation) of Qurʾān in 2008.
- Travelled to Cairo, Egypt, in February 2009 where he did revision of the Qur'an by Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī.
- In Egypt he also studied Arabic at Markaz Fajr, along with studying the Tuḥfah, the Jazariyyah, the Shāṭibiyyah, as well as the study into "the Art of Recitation and the Science of Melody" at the hands of the master, Sheikh Muḥammad al-Hilbāwī.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Imam 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.

He received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Muhammad 'Alawī Alexander in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Sālim Peck in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and some *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and some *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Tajrīd*, the *Rouḍah* of al-Mālikī, and the *Tidhkīr*.
  - 3) Umniyyat al-Walhān of Sheikh Ibrāhīm al-Samannūdī.
  - 4) The books of Sheikh Toufiq Damrah in Qirā'āt.

#### Teachers:

- Mu'allimah Shahidah Jabaar learnt how to read the Qur'ān by her.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Mamdouh (Egypt) also learnt to read the Qur'ān by him.
- Imam 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie did his ḥifṭḥ by him.

- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown studied three Maqamāt by him; Ṣaba, Ḥijāz and Nahāwand.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt did revision of the Qur'ān by him. Also studied *Tajwīd*, Arabic and *Magamāt* by him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied Naḥw and Qur'ān translation by him.
- Moulana Zakariyyā Philander studied Ṣarf and Qur'an translation by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī (Egypt) did revision of the Qur'ān by him, as well as read 16 ajzā' in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim to him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Al-Zanātī (Egypt) studied the Tuḥfah, Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah, as well as completed 10 chapters of the Shāṭibiyyah by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Al-Hilbāwī (Egypt) studied the Art of recitation and Science of melody by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Alawī Alexander read a *khatm* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, receiving *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh Sālim Peck read a khatm to him in the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī via the Shāṭibiyyah and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Sheikh Ihṣān Davids read the differences in the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir to him via the *Durrah* and the *Ṭayyibah* and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie read the differences in the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir to him via the *Durrah* and the *Ṭayyibah* and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him. Also read *Umniyyat al-Walhān* of Sheikh Samannūdī to him from memory, as well as a portion of the Qur'ān to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ applying *sakt* before the *hamzah* for the *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*. He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for all that he completed by Moulana.

#### Past and Current Activities:

Recited internationally in Palestine, Libya, Malaysia and Mauritius.

- On numerous occasions he recited on Egyptian television.
- Currently he is a teacher of the Qur'ān at Dār Ubaiy which runs under the auspices of Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt. Here, he also teaches *Maqamāt* and the Science of Melody.
- Currently he is reading the Qirā'ah of Abū 'Amr al-Basrī to Sheikh Sālim Peck.

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## Muḥammad Zubayr Karaan

Mother's name: Ibtisām

Father's name: Muḥsin

#### Early studies:

- Learnt how to recite the Qur'an by Moulana Muḥammad Chotia.
- Started *ḥifṭh* by Ḥafiṭḥ Yūsuf Muḥammad.
- Completed *ḥifṭh* by Ḥafiṭḥ Shafīq Wentzel.

### **Higher Studies:**

Completed the 'Ālim course at Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle.

#### Qualifications:

- Completed his *ḥifṭh*.
- Completed the 'Ālim course at Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Moulana Abū Bakr West in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far via the *Durrah*.

#### Teachers:

- Mufti Bilāl Caasim studied Tajwīd by him, doing Murshid al-Qāri of Moulana Salīm Gaibie, the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah. Also studied sections of the Ṣaḥīḥ of Muslim by him.
- Mufti Muḥammad Akoo studied Islamic history by him, doing al-Raḥīq al-Makhtūm, Mu'assasat al-Muyassar fī Tārīkh al-Islām, Şuwar min Ḥayāt al-

- Ṣaḥābah. Also did Balāghat al-Wāḍiḥah by him. Furthermore read Ibn Mājah and Tafsīr al-Jalālayn by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Basha studied Shāfiʿī Fiqh by him, doing Fatḥ al-Qarīb.
- Qāri Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿī studied Shāfiʿī Fiqh by him, doing Fiqh al-Manhajī.
- Moulana Ni'mat Allah 'Ali studied Shāfi'ī Fiqh by him, doing Mughnī al-Muḥtāj. Also studied sections of al-Tirmidhī by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Misri studie *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* by him.
- Moulana Nadhīr Dabooda studied Mīrāth by him. Also read sections of Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ to him.
- Mufti 'Abd al-Matīn studied Naḥw by him. Also studied the sections of the Sunan of Abū Dāwūd by him.
- Mufti 'Imrān Haatia studied Şarf and Uṣūl al-Ḥadīth by him. Also studied
  the sections of the Sunan of Abū Dāwūd by him.
- Moulana Maḥmūd Akram studied sections of the Ṣaḥīh of al-Bukhārī by him. Also studied sections of al-Tirmidhī by him.
- Mufti 'Aqīl al-Raḥmān studied sections of the Ṣaḥīh of al-Bukhārī and al-Nasā'ī by him. Also read the Muwaṭṭa' of Imam Mālik by him.
- Mufti Shāhid studied sections of the Ṣaḥīh of al-Bukhārī by him. Also studied *Tafsīr al-Jalālayn* by him.
- Moulana Ismā'īl Akoo studied sections of the Ṣaḥīh of al-Bukhārī by him.
   Also studied sections of the Ṣaḥīḥ of Muslim by him.
- Moulana Nadhīr Parak read sections of *Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ* to him.
- Moulana Salīm Desai studied 'Aqīdah by him, doing Bad' al-Amālī and 'Aqīdat al-Ṭahāwī by him.
- Moulana Salīm Dabooda studied Asbāb al-Nuzūl by him.

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# Mujāhid Toefy

Mother's name: Na'īmah Manie

Father's name: Salīm Toefy

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'ān by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- Completed first khatm by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.

#### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.
- Matriculated from Dār al-Islam Islamic High School (2004).
- Completed Arabic course at the International Peace University of South Africa (2007).

### Qualifications:

Completed *ḥifṭḥ* in 2000.

- Sheikh Muḥammad Ibn 'Āshūr (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'āt* of Nāfi', Ibn Kathīr, Abū 'Amr, Ibn 'Āmir, 'Āṣim, Kisā'ī and the narration of Khalaf.
  - 2) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The Jazariyyah.

- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Umar 'Aṭiyyah (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- Sheikh 'Ali al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - The narration of Ḥafṣ via the tarīq of the Rouḍah of Mu'addil and the Miṣbāḥ.
  - 3) The *Qira'ah* of Abū 'Amr Basri via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 4) The Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 5) The Jazariyyah.
  - 6) The Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie completed *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Āshūr completed the Seven *Qirā'āt* by him, excluding the narration of Khallād.
- Abū Muḥammad 'Umar 'Aṭiyyah received sanad and ijāzah from him for the Tuhfah.
- Sh Muḥammad al-Zanātī received sanad and ijazah from him for the Jazariyyah.
- Sh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī recited 15 *juz* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.

#### Students:

• 'Ali Khalfe – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Warsh via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.<sup>34</sup>

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 34}$  'Ali Khalfe is not a hāfith and therefore his profile does not appear in this database.

#### Past and Current Activities:

Currently has his own school named Dā'irat al-'Ilm Hafith Institute which
caters for boys and girls. Sheikh Mujāhid is the principal and teaches at the
school as well, which is situated at 48 Hood Road, Sunnyside, Rylands Estate.

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### Mukhtār Ahmad Thebus

Mother's name: Āminah Thebus

Father's name: Goolam Farouk Thebus

#### **Early Studies:**

- Both his parents taught him how to recite the Qur'an.
- He completed his first *khatm* by his mother.
- He started his *ḥifṭḥ* by Qāri Ashraf Parker.
- Completed his hifth by Sheikh Husayn Dalvi.
- Also attended Husami Madrassah in Cravenby Estate.
- Also attended Ghousiyah Madrassah in Parow Valley.

#### Later studies:

- He completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ḥusayn Dalvi.
- Studied *Tajwīd* via the *Tuḥfah* by Sheikh Iḥsān Davids.
- Read the narration of Ḥafṣ and Shuʿbah to Sheikh Iḥsān for sanad and ijāzah.

### Qualifications:

• Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ḥusayn Dalvi.

- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl.

# Teachers:

- His parents learnt how to recite the Qur'an by them.
- Qāri Ashraf Parker improved recitation and started hifth, completing five ajzā'.
- Sheikh Ḥusayn Dalvi completed ḥifṭḥ by him and studied basic *Tajwīd* by him as well.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied the *Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl* and recited a *khatm* to the Sheikh in the narration of Ḥafṣ and Shuʿbah.

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#### Munawwar Harneker

Mother's name: Roshanjahan

Father's name: Adam

### Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by various teachers at the Heathfield Madrasah.
- Madrasahs attended:
  - O Heathfield Madrasah.
  - O Islamia College (afternoon *ḥifṭḥ* classes).
  - O Hafiz Academy & Quran Literacy Trust (Gatesville Mosque).

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥafiṭḥ Abū Bakr Majiet.
- Continued *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥafiṭḥ Ḥabīb Kagee.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismaʻīl Berdien.
- B.A. Islamic Studies at IPSA (International Peace College South Africa).
- B.Ed. at CPUT (Cape Peninsula University of Technology).

# Qualifications:

- B.A. Islamic Studies at IPSA (International Peace College South Africa).
- B.Ed. at CPUT (Cape Peninsula University of Technology).
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismaʻīl Berdien.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

Sheikh Isma'il Berdien in:

- 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Aṣim via the *Shaṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzuri.
  - 2) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - The Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and some turuq of the Tayyibah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and some *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzuri.
  - 3) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 4) The books of Sheikh Toufiq Damrah on Qirā'āt.
- Sheikh Ridwān Saiet in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the turuq of the Tayyibah.
- Moulana Iḥsān Smith in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Alawi Alexander in:
  - 1) Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfī.

#### Teachers:

- Ḥafiṭḥ Abū Bakr Majiet started ḥifṭḥ by him.
- Ḥafiṭḥ Ḥabib Kagee continued ḥifṭḥ by him.
- Sheikh Isma'īl Berdien completed ḥifṭḥ by him.
- Sheikh Muntahā Kenny revised the Qur'an by him.

- Sheikh Ridwān Ismail recited a *khatm* to him.
- Ḥafiṭḥ Dr. Adam Harneker (father) recited a khatm to him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Abū al-Futūḥ Muḥammad Arab recited a khatm to him and received ijāzah from him (without sanad).
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids studied the *Tuḥfah* by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied the Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied Tajwīd by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander studied *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied part of Imam al-Nawawi's Tibyān by him.
- Sheikh Ḥanīf Kamaar studied Arabic by him.
- Sheikh Dāwūd Terreblanche studied basic *Fiqh* by him.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Moos studied *Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth* by him.
- Sheikh Fakhr al-Dīn Uwaisi studied the history of Islam in Africa by him.
- Sheikh Naṭḥīm Taliep studied Arabic by him.
- Sheikh Mahdi Hendricks studied *Tafsīr* by him.
- Sheikh Dr. Auwais Rafudeen studied 'Aqīdah' by him.
- Sheikh Dr. Ḥusayn Ebrahim studied Religious Studies by him.
- Sheikh Dr. 'Abd al-Karīm Toffar studied Fiqh and Uṣūl al-Fiqh by him.

# Written Works (available on-line in electronic format):

- *Kitāb al-Tilāwat al-Qur'ān* The Book of the Recitation of the Qur'an. A translation of a chapter of Imam an-Nawawi's *al-Adhkār*.
- Al-Āyāt fī al-Kitāb wa al-Āfāq allatī tadullu 'alā Waḥdāniyyat al-Wāḥid al-Qahhār The Signs in the Book and the Horizons which indicate towards the Oneness of the Overwhelming One. A compilation of all the verses in the Qur'ān which deal with nature and Allah signs in the creation.

- Al-Miṣbāḥ al-Munīr alā Mutashābihāt al-Qur'ān al-Majīd The Illuminating
  Lamp concerning the Resembling Verses of the Magnificent Qur'ān. A
  compilation of the Mutashābihāt verses of the Qur'ān.
- *Ṣifāt al-Mu'min allatī tashmilu Ḥusn al-Khulq* The Qualities of the Believer which constitute Beautiful Character. A compilation of forty *aḥādīth* regarding some of the praiseworthy qualities which lead to good character.
- Faḍāʾil al-Qurʾān wa Ḥamalatihī wa al-Ḥath-th ʿalā Taḥfīṭḥihī wa at-Taḥdhīr min Nisyānihī The Virtues of the Qurʾān and of its Bearers and an Encouragement for Memorising it and a Warning against Forgetting it. A compilation of forty aḥādīth regarding the virtues of the Qurʾān and its people and the reward one receives for memorising the Noble Qurʾān.
- Tazyīn al-Tuḥfah wa al-Jazariyyah li Taysīr al-Tafhīm wa al-Taḥfīṭḥ (The Adornment of the Tuḥfah and Jazariyyah for the Facilitation of Comprehension and Memorisation) a colour-coded translation of the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Taught Saturday *madrasah* classes at the Heathfield Madrasah.
- Taught an online Arabic course.
- Taught an online *Tajwīd* course.
- Taught a *Tajwīd* course at Masjid al-Husnayn, Diep River.
- Lead the *Tarāwīḥ* for many years at Masjid al-Husnayn, Diep River.
- Created and managed a number of blogs / websites for various organisations and institutions.
- Past member of MSA CPUT and MSA of the Cape.
- Currently a student at al-Tanzil Institute of Quranic Sciences.
- Currently he teaches Physics, Life Sciences and Qur'ān literacy at al-Azhar High School, Cape Town.

 Currently reciting the Seven Qirā'āţ via the Shāţibiyyah to Moulana Luqmān Ben.

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#### Munīr Satardien

Mother's name: Fouzia Satardien

Father's name: Shahid Satardien

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān at the hands of his father, Sheikh Shahid Satardien.
- Did his initial Islamic studies under the auspices of his father.
- He finished his first khatm of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Ḥasanayn Jibrīl 'Afīfī (Egypt).

#### Later studies:

- Started his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ḥasanayn Jibrīl.
- Studied *Figh* and other Islamic studies, as well as *maqāmāt* in Egypt.

### Qualifications:

 Did his memorisation of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley and Sheikh Ḥasanayn Jibrīl.

#### Received sanad from:

- Sheikh Ḥasanayn Jibrīl (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah*, as well with *qaṣr* in *munfaṣil* from the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Sheikh Ḥasan Rajab (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Warsh.

Teachers:

Sheikh Shahid Satardien — learnt initial Islamic studies with him.

• Sheikh Yūsuf Booley – started his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.

• Sheikh Ḥasanayn Jibrīl – completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.

• Sheikh Maḥmūd Amīn Ṭanṭāwī - read 15 juz in the  $\mathit{Qirā'ah}$  of Ḥamzah to

him.

Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī – recited most of the Qur'ān to him.

• Sheikh Ahmad – recited the narration of Shu'bah to him.

Sheikh Ḥasan Rajab – read the narration of Warsh to him.

Sheikh Aḥmad Na'īna' – tutored him in magāmāt.

Sheikh Yāsīn Sha'rāwī – studied Tajwīd with him.

• Sheikh Muḥammad 'Abd al-Wahhāb — studied *Tajwīd* by him and recited to

him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.

Sheikh Muḥammad Riḍā – recited to him in the narration of Shu'bah.

Sheikh 'Umar Qutb – studied magamāt by him.

• Sheikh Raslān al-Badawī – studied Tajwīd by him and recited a few juz to

him in the narration of Hafs.

Past and current activities:

Was a teacher at the J.E.Q. Boys Hāfith Institute in Schaapkraal.

• Was a teacher at Al-Amīn Hāfith Institute founded by himself and Sheikh

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#### Mus'ab Mohamed

Mother's name: Nadhīrah Edries

Father's name: 'Abd al-Rahmān Mohamed

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by Sheikh Muḥammad (Kenya).
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Muḥammad (Kenya).
- Attended Madrasat al-Shafee in Kenya.

#### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by his father, 'Abd al-Raḥmān,
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ibrāhīm Azzobaagy and Sheikh Khālid Ibrāḥīm al-Khaḍami (Yemen).
- Completed a Diploma in Islamic studies at the University of Al-Imān in Ṣan'ā, Yemen.
- Completed a Diploma in Arabic Language at the University of Al-Imān in San'ā, Yemen.
- Attended Al-Quds Program in Yemen.

### Qualifications:

• Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* in Yemen.

- Sheikh Khālid Ibrāhīm al-Khaḍamī (Yemen) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Muḥammad (Kenya) learnt how to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- His father, 'Abd al-Raḥmān started his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Azzobaagy memorised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Khālid Ibrāhīm al-Khaḍamī (Yemen) received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah. Also studied and memorised the Jazariyyah by him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Studied in Yemen.
- Taught the Qur'ān in Yemen.
- Taught the Qur'ān in Masjid al-Sunnah in Bellville.

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# Mustaqīm Paulse

Mother's name: Māshiyah

Father's name: Khayr Allah

### Early studies:

• Learned to recite the Qur'an by his mother.

### Higher Studies:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana 'Ādil Williams.
- Memorised 12 juz by Ḥāfiṭḥ Aḥmad Wādī.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Qāri Qāsim Dāwūd Shehri.
- Completed his first khatm by Qāri Qāsim Dāwūd Shehri.
- Matriculated via CPUT (Cape Town University of Technology).

### Qualifications:

- Completed hifth by Qāri Qāsim Dāwūd Shehri.
- Completed the 'Ālim course at DUAI, Strand.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The narration Ḥafs via the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) The Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 4) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 5) Murshid al-Qārī.
  - 6) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.

- 7) Aysar al-Aqwāl Sharḥ Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl.
- 8) Commentary of 'Ali Dabbā' on the Tuḥfah.
- 9) The Jazariyyah.
- 10) The text of Sheikh Saʿīd for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
- 11) The text of Sheikh Zāyid for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
- 12) The text of Sheikh 'Āmir for the ṭarīq of the Rouḍah.
- 13) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
- 14) Commentary of Khālid Azharī on the Jazariyyah.
- 15) Commentary of Zakariyyāh Anṣārī on the Jazariyyah.
- 16) Al-La'āli' al-Naqiyyah by Moulana Saleem Gaibie.
- 17) Ghunyat al-Ṭalabah fī Taysīr al-Sab'ah.
- 18) The Shāṭibiyyah.
- 19) The books of Sheikh Toufiq Damrah on Qirā'āt.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids in:
  - The Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and certain turuq of the Tayyibah.
- Sheikh I'jāz Muqaddam in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far via the Durrah.
  - 2) The Qirā'ah of Ya'qūb via the Durrah.

#### Teachers:

- His mother, Māshiyah learned how to recite the Qur'ān by her, as well as the essentials of  $d\bar{\imath}n$ .
- Moulana Sharīf Adams started ḥifṭḥ by him.
- Moulana 'Ādil Williams continued *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Aḥmad Wādī memorised 12 *juz* by him.
- Qāri Qāsim Dāwūd Shehri completed the memorisation of the Qur'ān by him.

- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan studied Fiqh and the Ṣāḥīḥ of al-Bukhārī by him.
- Moulana Yā'qūb ibn Yūsuf ibn 'Abd Allah studied *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* and *Dawābiṭ al-Maṣlaḥah* by him.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Saloojee studied *Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadith* and *ʿAqīdah* by him.
- Moulana Shāmil Ras studied sections of Imam Ghazāli's al-Iḥyā', as well as various other texts.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali studied comparative religion and 'Aqīdah by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Fiqh by him, including al-Ashbāh wa al-Naṭḥā'ir and Īḍāḥ al-Qawā'id of Sheikh 'Abd Allah al-Laḥjī by him.
- Moulana Anwar Humbles studied *Tafsīr* by him using *Tafsīr al-Jalālayn*.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor studied Arabic, 'Aqīdah and Tafsīr by him using the Tafsīr of Ibn Kathīr. Also did imamat by him.
- Moulana Shabīr Galant studied Ḥadīth and Figh by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie read a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah, as well as the narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah. Also studied various texts in Tajwīd and Qirā'āt by him, as well as 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān via Manāhil al-Irfān and Tārīkh al-Qur'ān of 'Abd al-Sabūr Shāhīn.
- Moulana Azhar Pathan studied Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadith and Sīrah by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Ables did Qur'ān translation by him. Also studied
   *Tafsīr Āyāt al-Aḥkām* and the *Ṣaḥīḥ* of al-Bukhārī by him.
- Sheikh Ismāʾīl Malazi studied *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* by him.

#### Students:

 Masrūr Rylands – completed a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the selected turuq from the Ṭayyibah.

Written Works:

The Legacy of Qāri Ayyūb: a Discourse on the Principles of the Shāṭibiyyah – a

commentary on the famous Shāṭibiyyah written collectively with Afḍal Hatia,

Ibrāhīm Darries and Luqmān Ben.

Past and Current Activities:

Studied three years at Dar al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā in Gauteng.

Graduated from Dar al-'Ulūm al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand.

• Completed the Seven and the Ten *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the

Durrah.

• Lead the Tarāwīḥ in the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī at the Masjid in West Bank, Delft.

He is the imam at the West Bank Masjid in Delft.

Teaches *Tajwīd* and *Qirā'āt* at al-Tanzīl Institute of Qur'ānic Sciences.

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## Nadhīr Majiet

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Father's name: Muḥammad Ṭayyib Majiet

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an at al-Noor "afternoon madrasah".
- Completed his first *khatm* by Boeta Ibrāhīm.
- Besides al-Noor Madrasah, he also attended Dār al-Ilm.

#### Higher Education:

- Completed Matric at Queenspark High in 2010.
- Started hifth by Sheikh Yūsuf Agherdien.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Agherdien.
- Completed a workshop on the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*, which ran under the auspices of the DQA, J.E.Q, Dār Ubaiy and the Tayyibah al-Nashr Institute for Qur'ānic Sciences.
- Previously studied at Dār al-Naʿīm, Institute of Higher Islamic Studies, Wynberg.
- Completed Four Modules of the Qurrā' Development Program.

#### Qualifications:

• Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* in 2012.

- Sheikh Ihsān Abrahams in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʻaddil.

- Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:
  - 1) The Tuhfah.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.
  - 3) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - The Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and selected turuq of the Tayyibah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The Tuhfah.
  - The Jazariyyah.
  - 3) Umniyyat al-Walhān of Samannūdī.
  - 4) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and selected *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 5) The books of Sheikh Toufiq Damrah on Qirā'āt.
- Sheikh Ridwān Saiet in:
  - 1) The *ṭuruq* of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Sheikh Sālim Peck in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Ibn Kathīr via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of Abū 'Amr Basrī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 3) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 4) Aḥkām Qirā'ah al-Qur'ān of Khālīl Ḥuṣarī.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Obaray in:
  - 1) The Bahjah of Samannūdī.
  - The text of Sheikh 'Āmir Sayyid 'Uthmān.
  - 3) The poem of Sheikh Saʿīd ʿAbd Allah for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
  - 4) The poem of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the tarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
  - 5) Riyāḍat al-Lisān of Samannūdī.

- Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Alawī Alexander in:
  - 1) The Salsabīl al-Shāfī.
- Moulana Luqmān Ben in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of Ibn 'Āmir via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far via the *Durrah*.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of Ya'qūb via the *Durrah*.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Yūsuf Agherdien studied salāh, the essentials of dīn and the Murshid al-Qāri by him. He also completed his hifth by Sheikh Yūsuf.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids studied the Murshid al-Qāri and the Tuḥfah by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied the *Jazariyyah* by him. Also received *ijāzah* from him for the *Tuhfah*.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie received ijāzah from him for the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied Qur'ān translation by him.
- Moulana Zahīr Parker studied *Naḥw* and *Ṣarf* by him.
- Moulana Muḥammad Carr studied Arabic by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Keraan studied Qur'ān translation by him.
- Sheikh Sālim Peck reciting various Qirā'āt to him, as well as studying Aḥkām Qirā'ah al-Qur'ān of Khālīl Huṣarī by him.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Obaray studied various texts by him, receiving ijāzah in them from him.

- Sheikh Ridwān Saiet recited the narration of Ḥafs to him via the turuq of the Tayyibah.
- Moulana Sulaymān Ables read al-Tibyān of Sheikh 'Ali al-Ṣābūnī by him.
- Moulana Azhar Pathan did Qur'ān translation by him.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor Studied Fiqh and Sīrah by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied *Mughnī al-Muḥtāj* by him.
- Moulana Shāmil Ras studied sections of *Iḥyā' 'Ulūm al-Dīn* of Imam Ghazālī by him.
- Moulana Irshād Sedick studied sections of Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī by him.
- Moulana Ṭāriq 'Abd Allah studied Figh al-Sīrah by him.

#### Students:

- Ḥafiṭḥ 'Abd Allah Petersen recited a khatm to him in the Qirā'āh of Kisā'ī
  and received sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Ḥafiṭḥ Akhlāq Oldey read a khatm to him combining the narrations of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah and Sūsī via the Shāṭibiyyah. He also received ijāzah from him for the Tuhfah.
- Ḥafiṭḥ Sulaymān Mohamed read a khatm to him in the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī.
- Ḥafiṭḥ Ḥamzah Forbes read a *khatm* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *turuq* of the *Ṭayyibah*, completed the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Abd Allah Forbes read a khatm to him in the Qirā'ah of Abū 'Amr via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Previously studied at Ma'had al-Lughah al-'Arabiyyah studying Arabic and Fiqh. Here he studied Kāfī al-Mubtadi' by Sheikh Anwar Adamson.
- Lead the *Tarāwīḥ* Prayers at the Jumuʿah Masjid in Milnerton in 2014.

- He attained the first position in the Town Centre Ḥifṭḥ al-Qurʾān competition held in 2014.
- Currently a student at al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences where he is studying various books on *Tajwīd* as well as reciting various *Qirā'āt*.
- He has an "afternoon madrasah" that he runs from his house.
- Currently doing second and third year at DUAI, Strand.
- Lead the *Tarāwīḥ* Prayers at the Tableview Islamic Centre in 2015.
- Currently studying the *Shāṭibiyyah* by Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

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### Nurānah Mohamed Truter

Mother's name: Maryam Mohamed

Father's name: Nazīm Mohamed

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by her father, Nazīm.
- Completed her first *khatm* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).

#### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (2000-2005).
- Studied at Kitābī Academy (*ḥifṭḥ* revision class).
- Studied at IT Business Campus: the Office Admin Microsoft for Beginners course.
- Completed 11 levels at Markaz Fajr, Cairo.

## Qualifications:

Completed her hifth in 2005.

## Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikhah Dr Amānī bint Ḥasan Marʿī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

 Sheikhah Rābi'ah — intensive Tajwīd training, studying the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah by her.

- Sheikhah Umm 'Abd al-Raḥmān Tajwīd training and Qur'ān revision by her.
- Sheikhah Amānī received sanad and ijāzah from her in the Qirā'ah of 'Āsim.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Qur'ān and *ḥifṭḥ* tuition to private students.
- Taught at Habibia Madrassah for the duration of two months.
- Was previously a teacher at Jam'iyyah al-Qurrā' Girls Hāfith Institute (2011).
- Was also a teacher at Dar Ahl al-Qur'an (DARAQ) in 2012.
- Currently in Cairo to further her studies.

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# Rādiyah Bawa

Mother's name: Hājar

Father's name: 'Uthmān

## Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by her mother and father.
- Completed first *khatm* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.

#### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- Completed three year course at Dārun-Naʿīm, Wynberg.
- Matriculated from Islamia College.
- Completed BA degree in media and communication science (Unisa).

#### Traveled to:

- Mecca and Medina (1997, 2000, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2012) Hajj and Umrah.
- Palestine, Jordan, Cairo (2008, 2012) tourism.
- USA, London, Canada (tourism).
- Cairo (2009) for Qur`ānic studies.

## Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.

## Received sanad and ijāzah from:

• Sheikh Aḥmad Zakī Ṭulbah (Egypt) in:

- 1) Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl.
- The Jazariyyah.
- 3) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- 4) The *Qirā'ah* of Ibn Kathīr via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Ismāʻil Londt (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Muʻaddil.
- Sheikhah Ghādah (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
  - 1) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ by Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
  - 2) Matn of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān for qaṣr in Ḥafṣ.
  - 3) The *Jazariyyah*.
  - 4) Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl.
- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Abrahams (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Abū 'Amr via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

#### Teachers:

- Hājar Bawa Qur`ānic recitation and essentials of dīn.
- 'Uthmān Bawa Qur' ānic recitation and essentials of *dīn*.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder Arabic and Islamic studies.
- Moulana Zakariyyā Philander Arabic and Islamic studies.
- Sheikh Isma'īl Londt completed her sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Rouḍah of Mu'addil by him.

 Moulana Salīm Gaibie – received sanad and ijāzah in the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī, the Jazariyyah, the text of Sheikh 'Āmir for making qaṣr via the Rouḍah and

Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.

- Ahmad Zaki Ţulbah (Egypt) completed her sanad and ijāzah in the Qirā'āt
  of 'Āṣim and Ibn Kathīr, the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī and the Jazariyyah.
- Sheikhah Ghādah (Egypt) the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Abrahams completed the *Qirā'ah* of Abū 'Amr al-Basrī by her.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Perpetual student.
- Private teacher of the Qur'ān and other Islamic subjects.
- Principal of Dārun Naʿīm li-Zuhur (Taronga Road Mosque).
- Currently reciting the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī to Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.
- Involved in the launch of the MSA schools initiative.

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### Ra'īs Nackerdien

Mother's name: Fouziya Nackerdien

Father's name: Lutfī Nackerdien

## Early studies:

- Completed Primary School.
- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Moulana Aḥmad 'Ali.
- Completed his first khatm by Sheikh Mahdi Nackerdien by Madrasah Ahl al-Qur'ān.

#### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana Aḥmad 'Ali.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Mahdi Nackerdien.
- Completed the first year at Dar al-Na'ım, Wynberg.

## Qualifications:

 Completed his hifth by Madrasah Ahl al-Qur'ān under the auspices of Sheikh Mahdi Nackerdien.

## Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Mahdi Nackerdien in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

#### Teachers:

- Moulana Aḥmad 'Ali started ḥifṭḥ by him.
- Sheikh Mahdi Nackerdien completed *ḥifṭḥ* by him and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim.

- Ḥāfiṭḥ Khālid Samson memorised portions of the Qur'ān by him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Ḥanīf Titus memorised portions of the Qur'ān by him.

# Past and Current Activities:

• Currently studying the 'Ālim course.

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# Razīn Gopal

Mother's name: Khadījah

Father's name: Muhammad Amīn

### Studies and Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Imam Shams al-Dīn and Ṣāliḥ 'Abādī.
- Started a new practice at Panorama Medi-Clinic. He received the MBChB and MMed (Int Med), with honours, through the University of Stellenbosch and subsequently the College of Medicine's Certification in Cardiology through Cardiac Clinic and Groote Schuur in 2004. After a highly successful stint in private practise as a general and interventional cardiologist he decided to follow his passion and superspecialise, for the past 3 years, as Electrophysiologist (EP) in leading centres in Europe and the UK. Initially embarking on his fellowship at the University of Gasthuisberg in Leuven, Belgium, he trained in classical EP under the directorship of Prof Hein Heidbuchel (a prodigy of the great Sunny Jackman). Following this he moved to St Bartholomews in London, where he was mentored by the worldreknowned Prof Richard Schilling, one of the pioneers of electro-anatomical mapping. St Bartholomews runs one of the largest and busiest electrophysiology units in Western Europe, especially with regards to complex ablation, such as ablation for atrial fibrillation. Has written a number of articles for journals and has a special interest in under and postgraduate teaching and various aspects of cardiac research. Been invited to join the Panorama Heart Unit where he will offer a general cardiology and EP service.

Dr Razīn received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- 2) The narration of Hafs via the Roudah of Mu'addil.
- 3) The Jazariyyah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The narration of Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The Qirā'āh of Ibn Kathīr via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Sheikh Āmin Faqīr studied *Fiqh* and essentials of *dīn*.
- Imam Shams al-Dīn memorised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Abū Bakr 'Abd al-Ra'ūf revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Imam Hāshim Julius revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Ṣāliḥ 'Abādī revised the entire Qur'ān by him, rendering a khatm to the Sheikh.
- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah, as well as with qaṣr in munfaṣil. Studied the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah by him. Also read 20 ajzāʾ in the narration of Sūsī to Sheikh Ismāʿīl.
- Read the narration of Warsh to Sheikh Aḥmad Sa'd (Imam of North London central mosque).

#### Activities:

- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in Mauritius with Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt (2002/3).
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in Harrow, Central London (2005).
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in Leuven, Belgium (2008).
- Currently reading the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far via the Durrah to Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

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The Sheikh currently resides is Cape Town.

## Ridwān Rhoda

Mother's name: Wasīlah

Father's name: Sirāj

## Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by his father as well as by Imam Na'īm Moerat in Breda Street Masjid, Paarl.
- Learnt the essentials of dīn by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Salie.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Salie.

## Higher Education:

- Started hifth by Sheikh 'Abd al-Rahīm Salie, a student of the luminary Sheikh Sālih 'Abādī.
- Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Salie in a period of one year and 10 months. This he accomplished at the tender age of 13.
- BA at University of Western Cape (Incomplete).
- Completed NTC 1, 2, 3 and 4 in fitting and machining.
- Completed modules one to five of the Qurrā' Development Program.

### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Salie.
- Qualified fitter and turner.
- Qualified canmaker City and Guilds of London accreditation.

Ḥāfiṭḥ Riḍwān received sanad and ijāzah from:

Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:

- 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- 2) The *Jazariyyah*.
- 3) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- 4) The narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- 5) The Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- 6) The *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far via the *Durrah*.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.

#### Teachers:

- His father, Sirāj Rhoda learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Imam Na'īm Moerat learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Salie he stayed with this Sheikh for a period of five years. During this period he studied the Qur'ān and many Islamic sciences, like History, *Touḥīd* and *Tajwīd*, under his expertise. He also read many of Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm's books to him. They include *Legislative History*, volume one, two and three, as well as *Journey through Belief*.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nūr Hendricks revised the Qur'ān with him.
- Sheikh Rafīq Nackerdien studied Arabic with him.
- Sheikh 'Ādil Davids studied Arabic and Ḥadīth by him.
- Moulana Iḥsān Hendricks studied Arabic and Fiqh by him.
- Sheikh Ṭḥāfir Najjār studied Arabic and Figh by him.
- Sheikh 'Ali Sha'bān (Egypt) revised the Qur'ān by him.
- 'Abd al-Hādī Moerat read a khatm to him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by him. Also read a *khatm* to him in the *Qirā'āt* of 'Āṣim and Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and Abū Ja'far via the *Durrah*. He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for all that he

completed by the Sheikh. He furthermore studied the *Shāṭibiyyah* by the Sheikh.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied Tajwīd by him. Also read the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah to him and received sanad and ijāzah for the aforementioned texts.
- Sheikh Sālim Peck studied the *Tuḥfah* and Arabic by him.
- Sheikh Riḍwān Saiet studied Tajwīd using the Murshid al-Qāri by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown studied *Maqāmāt* by him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos studied *Maqāmāt* by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Arabic by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander studied *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* by him.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor studied Arabic and Qur'ān translation by him.
- Moulana Yusrī Jabodien studied Arabic and Qur'ān translation by him.

#### Students:

The following students have all completed their *ḥifṭḥ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Riḍwān:

- Tāhir Abrahams
- Muʿādh Abrahams
- 'Abd al-Mun'im Rhoda
- Riyāḍ Aḥmad
- Muzzammil George
- Safdar Moerat
- Ra'īsah Cornelissen

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Employed as an artisan.
- Lead the Tarāwīḥ Prayers at:

- Masjid al-Shāfi'ī (Chiappini Street, Bo-kaap) with Sheikh 'Abd al-Rahīm Salie.
- O Masjid Burhān al-Islām (Longmarket Street) with Dr Ṣāliḥ Adams.
- Muhammadiyyah Masjid (Tennyson Street, Salt River) with Mi'rāj al-Dīn Abrahams.
- O Breda Street Masjid (Paarl) with Moulana Qāsim Baderoen.
- O Wellington Masjid with Imam 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie, Sheikh Rafīq Nackerdien, Hāfith Muḥammad Nūr Allie and Hāfith Muḥammad Abrahams.
- O Masjid Ma'had al-Islām (Paarl) with Hāfith 'Abbās Moerat, Moulana Muḥammad Allie and Hāfith 'Abd Allah Rhoda.
- Currently teaches *ḥifṭḥ*.
- Currently studying the Shāṭibiyyah by Sheikh Iḥsān Davids, as well as combining the Seven Qirā'āt to him.

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Ḥāfiṭḥ Riḍwān currently resides in Paarl.

### Ridwān Saiet

Mother's name: Zaynab

Father's name: Muḥammad Ṭayyib

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Mu'allim 'Abd Allah Patel.
- Finished first *khatm* by Imam Hāshim Lamara.
- Attended Habibia Masjid Madrasah .

#### Later Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana Sulaymān Goga (Dār al-ʿUlūm Newcastle).
- Completed <u>hifth</u> by Mufti 'Abd al-Qādir Ḥusayn (Newcastle).
- Did revision by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- After completing hifth, he was examined by Sheikh Ṣāliḥ 'Abādī, Sheikh Yūsuf Booley, Imam Shams al-Dīn, Sheikh Qāsim 'Abd al-Ra'ūf, Sheikh Yūsuf Gabier, Ḥāfiṭḥ Nawawī Van De Ross and Sheikh Abū Bakr Najjār.

#### Qualifications:

- Completed hifth by Mufti 'Abd al-Qādir Ḥusayn.
- Obtained matric certificate in 2014.

# Sheikh Riḍwān received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Abu Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfī (Malawi) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* if 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- Sheikh Ihsān Davids in:
  - 1) Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl of Jamzūrī.
  - The Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and selected turuq of the Tayyibah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl of Jamzūrī.
  - 3) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 4) Touḍīḥ al-Ma'ālim by 'Ali al-Naḥḥās.
  - 5) Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ by Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
  - 6) Matn of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān for qaṣr in Ḥafṣ.
  - The Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and selected turuq of the Tayyibah.
  - 8) The books of Sheikh Toufiq Damrah on Qirā'āt.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt in:
  - 1) The narration of Hafs via the *Roudah* of Mu'addil.

#### Teachers:

- Moulana Quṭb al-Dīn learnt the essentials of *dīn* by him.
- Imam 'Abd al-Laṭīf Parker learnt the essentials of *dīn* by him.
- Imam Abu Bakr Simon studied Arabic with him.
- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt also studied basic Arabic with him, including Riyāḍ
  al-Ṣāliḥīn of Imam Nawawī with him.
- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfʿī (Malawi) read the *Qirāʾah* of ʿĀṣim to him, firstly the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*, then the narration of Shuʿbah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*. He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for whatever he read.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie he recited the narration of Ḥafṣ to him via the *Tayyibah* until *Sūrah Yūnus*, as well the differences in the narration of Shu'bah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*. He also read the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī, the *Jazariyyah*, *Toudīḥ al-Ma'ālim fī Ṭuruq* Ḥafṣ 'an 'Āṣim to him. Also completed the *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and selected *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*. He received *ijāzah* and *sanad* from Moulana Salīm for all that he studied by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids completed the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and selected turuq of the Tayyibah by him, receiving sanad and ijāzah in it.

#### Students:

- Nadhīr Majiet received sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah.
- Munawwar Harneker received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Tayyibah*.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Taught at Heathfield Madrasah.
- Had a *madrasah* and various classes at his house.
- Taught the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī at Madrasah al-Nūr.
- Taught hifth at Dar al-Qur'an, run under the guidance of Sheikh Sirāj Johaar for five years.
- Traveled to Mauritius to perform the *Tarāwīḥ Ṣalāh* there.
- Taught *Tajwīd* and the *Tuḥfah* at the Qurrā' Development Program (QDP) which runs under the Department of Qur'ānic Affairs.
- Taught *ḥifṭḥ* at Dār Ubaiy which runs under the auspices of Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt.
- Was actively involved in the running of the Qurrā' Development Program.

- Taught *ḥifṭḥ* at Islamia High School.
- Also conducts Qur'ān literacy classes for the deaf.
- Completed the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī to Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids.
- Also completed the Qirā'ah of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the Durrah and selected ṭuruq of the Ṭayyibah
- Currently teacher and vice principal of al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences.

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# Ruqayyah Samsodien

Mother's name: Zaynab

Father's name: Ḥusayn

## Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by her parents and Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- Received the basic essentials of *Dīn* from her parents.
- Attended Muhammadiyyah Primary School in Wynberg.
- Matriculated from Islamiyah College.

## **Higher Education:**

- Completed her hifth by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley in two years and remained an extra year for revision.
- Completed a two-year Arabic Dimploma at Abū al-Nūr Institute, Syria.
- Studied for three years in the Faculty of Sharī'ah at al-Fatḥ University, Syria.

## Qualifications:

- Completed her hifth by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- BA Honours from University of Western Cape (UWC).

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikhah Ānisah Mayyās (Syria) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Abū al-Ḥasan Muḥy al-Dīn al-Kurdī (Syria) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.

Teachers:

• Her parents – learned to recite the Qur'ān by them, as well as the essentials

of *dīn*.

Sheikh Yūsuf Booley – completed her hifth by him.

• Sheikhah Ānisah Mayyās – received sanad and ijāzah from her in the

narration of Hafs.

• Sheikh Abū al-Ḥasan Muḥy al-Dīn al-Kurdī — received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from

him in the narration of Hafs.

Sheikh Ismā'īl Majdhūb – studied Ḥadīth by him.

Ustādh Yaḥyā — studied Arabic by him.

• Sheikh Rāqib al-Nābulusī — studied *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* and the *Sunnah* by him.

• Sheikh Sāmir Naṣṣ – studied Hanafī *Figh* by him.

• Sheikh Ḥusayn Darwesh – studied Shāfiʿī Fiqh by him, with reference to

Mughnī al-Muḥtāj and the text of Abū Shujā' and Anwār al-Masālik.

Ustādh Walīd — studied Shāfiʿī Fiqh by him.

Past and Current Activities:

Was previously the Principal and Jam'iyyah al-Qurrā' Girls Hāfith School

(JEQ Girls).

Was also Deputy Principal at JEQ Girls.

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# Sājidah Abrahams

Father's name: Hanīf Abrahams

Mother's name: Kāmilah Davis Abrahams

## Early studies:

• Learnt to read Qur'ān by her parents.

#### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Muʻallimah ʻĀ'ishah Ceres.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by her sister, 'Ā'ishah Abrahams in 2009.
- Islamic courses:
- 2009 Completed hifth.
- 2009– Started studies at DQA's Qurrā' Development Program and completed Module 1.
- 2010— Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the *Tuḥfah*, *Bahjat al-Luḥḥaṭḥ* of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdī and the text of Sheikh 'Āmir Sayyid 'Uthmān for *qaṣr* of *madd munfaṣil* in the narration of Ḥafṣ.
- 2010 Completed module 2 and 3 of DQA's Qurrā' Development Program.
- 2011 Completed module 4 and 5 of DQA's Qurrā' Development Program.
- 2010 to 2011 —Completed two year Diploma of Higher Islamic learning at Dār al-Naʿīm.
- 2011 Received sanad and ijāzah for the Jazariyyah.
- 2012 Completed module 6 and 7 of DQA's Qurra' Development Program.
- 2012 Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from Moulana Salīm Gaibie for the book, *Tajwīd* Rules of the Qur'ān, by Sheikhah Karīmah Carol Czerepinski.
- 2012 Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan for the 40 Ḥadīth of Mullā 'Ali al-Qāri' on the Qur'ān.
- 2013 Completed module 8 of DQA's Qurrā' Development Program.

Mu'allimah Sājidah also studied the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the Seven *Qirā'āt* at the DQA's Qurrā' Development Programme.

#### Qualifications:

• Completed the memorisation of the Qur'an by her sister, 'Ā'ishah.

#### Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Rahmān Davids in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 3) The Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl.
  - 4) The Bahjat al-Luḥḥāṭḥ of Samannūdī.
  - 5) Text of Sheikh 'Āmir in qaṣr of munfaṣil for Ḥafṣ.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) Tajweed Rules of the Qur'an by Sheikhah Kareema Czerepinski.
  - 2) Fatḥ al-Karīm al-Mannān of 'Ali al-Dabbā'.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq in:
  - 1) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Yaḥyā Gouthānī (Medina) in:
  - 1) Heard (samā') Al-Arba'ūn al-Ghouthāniyyah being read to the Sheikh.
  - 2) Received *ijāzah ʿāmmah* for all his tranmissions.

#### Teachers:

- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres started *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān by her.
- 'Ā'ishah Abrahams (sister) completed ḥifṭḥ of the Qur'ān by her.

- Mu'allimah Zāhidah Majiet memorised a portion of the Qur'ān by her.
- Mu'allimah Sakīnah Jacobs memorised a portion of the Qur'ān by her.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Aḥmad memorised a portion of the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied *Naḥw*, *Tarjamah*, *Mīrāth* and '*Aqidah* by him.
- Moulana Zahīr Parker studied Ṣarf, Tarjamah, Ḥadīth, and Figh by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Keraan studied Fiqh, Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth, Sīrah and Tarbiyah by him. Also read Iḍāḥ al-Qawā'id al-Fiqhiyyah of 'Abd Allah ibn Sa'īd al-Laḥjī and selected portions of Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī to him.
- Moulana Muḥammad Carr studied Miftāḥ al-Uṣūl fī 'ilm Uṣūl al-Fiqh of Safwān Dāwūdī, al-Kāfī al-Wāfī fī Uṣūl al-Fiqh al-Islāmī of Sheikh Muṣṭafa al-Khann, al-Iqnā' in Fiqh and Fiqh al-Sīrah of Sheikh Muḥammad Sa'īd Ramaḍān al-Būṭī by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied La'ali' al-Bayān, Uṣul al-Qirā'āt, and the textbooks of Sheikhah Kareema Carol Czerepinski Tajwid rules of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids recited the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shaṭibiyyah to him. Also studied and read various texts on Tajwīd to him and received ijāzah for some of them. Currently she is reading the narration of Ḥafṣ via the ṭarīq of the Miṣbaḥ and the Rouḍah of Ibn Mu'addil to him.
- Sheikh Isma'īl Londt studied *Ṣarf* and *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied Murshid al-Qāri (book 1), the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah by him. Studied Jam' al-Qirā'āt al-Sab' (combining the various Qirā'āt) by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Naḥw, the Tibyān of Imam Nawawī, and Fiqh by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander studied Tarjamah and 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Azīz Brown studied maqāmāt by him.

Sheikh Hārūn Moos – studied maqāmāt by him.

• Moulana Yusrī Jabodien – studied *Tarjamah* by him.

Mu'allimah Ruqayyah Samsodien – studied al-Iqnā'in Fiqh by her.

 Moulana Khalīl Hendricks – read Shamā'il al-Tirmidhī, selected portions of Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī, al-Wāḍiḥ fī 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān of Sheikh Muṣṭafā al-Bughā

and Muḥy al-Dīn Dīb Mistu, al-Manhaj al-Ḥadīth fī Tashīl Ulūm al-Ḥadīth

of 'Ali Nāyif Baqā'ī, as well as Tafsīr to him.

● Moulana Muʻādh ʻAli — read selected portions of *Jāmiʻ al-Tirmidhī* to him.

• Sheikh Yaḥyā Ghouthānī — heard Al-Arbaʿūn al-Ghouthāniyyah being read

to him. Received *ijāzah* for it as well as *ijāzah* 'āmmāh from him.

Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan – received ijāzah 'āmmah from him.

Past and Current Activities:

Volunteer with Discover Islam's Dawah Caravan.

Assistant tutor at Dār al-Naʿīm.

• Facilitate with the Discover Islam tarbiyyah girls camp 2012/2013.

Currently she is reading the narration of Ḥafs via the tarīq of the Miṣbaḥ and

the Rouḍah of Ibn Mu'addil to Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids.

Currently doing the fourth year at Dar al-Na'im.

• Currently doing an online Qur'ān Diploma Course conducted by Sheikhah S.

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## Sālim Peck

Sheikh Sālim Peck is the first person to complete the study of the Seven *Qirā'āt* and the *Shāṭibiyyah* locally by reading the entire Qur'ān incorporating all these *Qirā'āt* to Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

Mother's name: Kulthūm

Father's name: Sulaymān

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by his father.
- Finished his first *khatm* of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Muḥammad Yūsuf Booley.
- Also attended Yūsufiyyah Madrasah for a year.

## **Higher Education:**

- He started memorising the Qur'ān at the hands of his father and completed by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- Matriculated from Islamia College in 2004.
- Attended Dār al-Naʿīm in Wynberg for a year before leaving to Egypt to further his studies in Qur'ān.
- Furthered his studies in Arabic and Qur'ān in Egypt for a year.
- Spent a year in Syria doing Islamic studies, concentrating on Arabic and the Qur'ān.
- Completed four years at Dar al-'Ulūm (DUAI) in Strand.

## Qualifications:

Completed hifth by Sheikh Muḥammad Yūsuf Booley.

#### Sheikh Sālim received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Majdī Bāshā (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Muʻaddil.
- Sheikh Ḥasan Rajab (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿī (Malawi) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl of Jamzūrī.
  - 2) The Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Sulaymān Peck recitation of Qur'ān and started *ḥifṭḥ* under his tutelage.
- M. Rashād Abdul Latief recitation and some memorisation of the Qur'ān.
- M. Amīn Amod recitation and some memorisation of the Qur'ān.
- Sheikh 'Imrān Taliep recitation and some memorisation of the Qur'ān.
- Sheikh Mubārik Taliep recitation and some memorisation of the Qur'ān.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Yūsuf Booley completed hifth of the Qur'ān under his expert hands.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt did some memorisation of the Qur'ān and Tajwīd.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington) did some memorisation of the Qur'ān and Tajwīd.
- Sheikh Ḥasan Rajab (Egypt) read the entire Qur'ān to him and received
  ijāzah and sanad from him in the narration of Ḥafs via the ṭarīq of the
  Shāṭibiyyah.

- Ustādh Aḥmad (Egypt) learnt Tajwīd from him.
- Sheikh Majdī Bāshā (Egypt) read the entire Qur'ān to him and received
  ijāzah and sanad from him in the narration of Ḥafs via the ṭarīq of the
  Roudah.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Yusuf Dubānah (Syria) learnt Tajwīd from him.
- Sheikh Sāmir Naṣṣ (Syria) learnt *Tajwīd* from him.
- Sheikh 'Ādil Abu Sha'r (Syria) learnt *Tajwīd* from him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie read the entire Qur'ān to him incorporating all Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāţibiyyah.
- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi'ī (Malawi) studied Hidāyah al-Qāri
  of 'Abd al-Fattāḥ al-Marṣāfī by him, as well as read the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī to
  him.

#### Students:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʻī received sanad and ijāzah from Sheikh Sālim in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Rouḍah.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayat recited a khatm in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and received sanad and ijāzah from him. Currently reciting the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Mu'addil, as well as the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī to him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Nadhīr Majiet completed the *Qirā'āt* of Ibn Kathīr, Abū 'Amr Basri and Kisā'ī by him, receiving *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Zayn Alexander completed the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī via the Shāṭibiyyah by him, receiving sanad and ijāzah from him.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Akhlāq Oldey completed the Qirā'ah of Kisā'ī via the Shāṭibiyyah by him, receiving sanad and ijāzah from him.

# Past and Current Activities:

- Currently reading the Ten Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah to Sheikh Sāmī (Egypt).
- A teacher at al-Tanzīl Institute of Qur'ānic Sciences.

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## Sakīnah Jacobs

Mother's name: Sumayyah Ma'rūf

Father's name: Isma'īl Jacobs

### Early studies:

- Learnt how to recite the Qur'an by her mother.
- Completed her first *khatm* by her mother.

#### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Muʻallimah ʻĀ'ishah Ceres.
- Completed her *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.
- Studied *Tajwīd* as well as the *Tuḥfah* with Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.
- Received sanad and ijāzah from Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams in 2009.

# Qualifications:

• Completed her *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams in 2006.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ihsān Abrahams in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʻaddil.

#### Student:

Mas'ūdah Salie Abrahams – completed her hifth by Mu'allimah Sakīnah.

#### Past and current activities:

- Part time *ḥifṭḥ* teacher since 2006.
- Full time *ḥifṭḥ* teacher at Dār al-Naʿīm Hifth division since 2007.

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Mu'allimah Sakīnah currently resides in Lotus River.

# Shākir Davids<sup>35</sup>

He received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Abd Allah (Pakistan) in:
  - 1) The Ten Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> His failure to respond to our requests before the date of publication has resulted in the absence of his profile. His teacher, Qāri 'Abd Allah, confirms that he had read the Ten *Qirā'āt* to him and he had given him *ijāzah* verbally.

# Shafiqah Abdulrazaak

Mother's name: Yasmīn

Father's name: 'Abd al-Razzāq

## Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by her father, 'Abd al-Razzaq.
- Completed her first *khatm* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).

#### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington) at 'Abd Allah ibn Mas'ūd Hāfith Institute.
- Revised the Qur'ān with Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī in Egypt.
- Trained for two months at Tahfīth al-Qur'ān College in Azizia, Mecca.
- Did Tajwīd training and revision with Sheikhah Umm 'Abd al-Raḥmān.
- Completed six levels at Markaz Fajr, Cairo.
- Completed three modules of Arabic studies at Markaz Haramayn, Egypt.
- Studied various Islamic sciences with private tutors in Egypt.

## Qualifications:

• Completed her *ḥifṭḥ* in 2002.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikhah Dr Amānī bint Ḥasan Mar'ī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

3) The narration of Shu'bah via the *Ṭayyibah*.

#### Teachers:

- Her father, 'Abd al-Razzāq learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Adams memorised the Qur'ān by him.
- Dr Amānī received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from her in the narrations of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and Shuˇbah via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Sheikhah Rābi'ah intensive Tajwīd training, studying the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah by her.

#### Students:

- Muṣaddiqah Brown completed ḥifṭḥ of the Qur'ān.
- 'Ā'ishah Brinkhuis completed *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān.
- Maryam Sasman completed hifth of the Qur'ān.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Taught Qur'ān literacy to Egyptian learners in Cairo.
- Taught hifth at Jam'iyyah al-Qurra' (JEQ).
- Taught *ḥifṭḥ* at Ibn al-Jazarī Institute.
- Completed TEFL (teaching English as a foreign language) course at the Cape Town School of English.
- Tutored foreign students at the Cape Town School of English in Claremont.
- Informally involved with introductory phase for the establishment of Dār Ahl al-Qur'ān (DARAQ) in 2009/2010.
- Officially appointed as an educator in Tahfīth al-Qur'ān at DARAQ in 2011.
- Currently vice Principal and Teacher at DARAQ, Girls Hāfith School.
- Teacher at Madrassah al-Atfāl.

• Offers Qur'ān and *ḥifṭḥ* tuition to private students.

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### Shahīd Martin

Mother's name: Āminah

Father's name: Dāwūd

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'an by Boeta Salīm Davids (Imam).
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos at Madrasat al-Najāḥ.

### **Higher Education:**

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.
- Studied Figh by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.
- Completed 8 modules of the Qurrā' Development Program where he studied *Tajwīd*, the *Tuḥfah*, the *Jazariyyah*, Arabic, *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān*, Qur'ān translation, *maqāmāt* and *Qirā'āt*.

#### Qualifications:

- A qualified tiler.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.

## Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Hārūn Moos in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *ṭarīq* of the *Rouḍah*.

#### Teachers:

Boeta Salīm Davids (Imam) — learned how to recite the Qur'ān by him.

- Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos completed his ḥifṭḥ by him. Also studied the essentials
  of dīn, as well as Fiqh by him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos read two *khatms* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ: via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* and via the *ṭarīq* of the *Rouḍah*. Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in what he read to the Sheikh. Also studied *maqāmāt* by him
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids —studied the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī and the Jazariyyah by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt studied the *Shāṭibiyyah* and *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied *Tajwīd* and *Qirā'āt* by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown studied *magāmāt* by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Arabic, Fiqh and the Shamā'il of Tirmidhī by him.

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# Sulaymān Mohamed

Mother's name: Āmina Mohamed

Father's name: Muḥammad Amīn Mohamed

### Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'an by Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien and Ḥafiṭḥ 'Uthmān Floris.
- Studied basic Fiqh, Tajwīd and Arabic at Jami'yyat al-Qurrā' (JEQ).

### Higher Education:

- Started hifth by Hafith Abū Bakr Taliep, Sheikh Faqīr Parker and Moulana 'Abd al-Azīz Valley.
- Completed hifth by Hafth 'Adnan Khatieb.

### Qualifications:

• Completed his *ḥifṭḥ*.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Abd al-Karīm Davids in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.
- Ḥafiṭḥ Nadhīr Majiet in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- 2) The *Tuḥfah*.
- 3) The Jazariyyah.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Obaray in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Ihṣān Davids in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and selected *ṭuruq* via the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Khalaf al-'Āshir via the *Durrah* and selected *ṭuruq* via the *Ṭayyibah*.
  - 2) The books of Sheikh Toufiq Damrah on Qirā'āt.

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids learned how to recite the Qur'ān by him. He
  was also prepared for "tamat" by the Sheikh. Received ijāzah from the Sheikh
  for the Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.
- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Berdien studied Tajwīd by him, received sanad and ijāzah
  from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah. He also completed his
  first khatm by the Sheikh.
- Ḥafiṭḥ 'Uthmān Floris completed his first *khatm* by him.
- Ḥafiṭḥ Abū Bakr Taliep started his ḥifṭḥ by him.
- Sheikh Faqīr Parker started his hifth by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-'Azīz Valley started his ḥifṭḥ by him.
- Ḥafiṭḥ 'Adnān Khatieb completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.

• Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan — studied the *Shamā'il* of Tirmidhī by him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Joined the Qurrā' Development Program for a short while.
- Currently he is an assistant teacher to Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien at Ma'had al-Qur'ān, based at Masjid al-Rābi, Portlands.
- He is currently reading the narration of Qālūn to Sheikh Ismāʻīl Berdien.
- He is currently read the Qirā'ah of Abū 'Amr al-Basri to Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥman Davids.
- Currently he is a student at al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences where he
  is studying various texts on *Tajwīd* as well as reading the narration of Ḥafs
  via the *turuq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Completed the study of the *Shāṭibiyyah* by Sheikh Iḥsān Davids.

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### Ţāhā Ibrāhīm Truter

Mother's name: Ḥamīdah Truter

Father's name: Ibrāhīm Mūsā Truter

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā' Hafith Institute (JEQ).
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Majdī 'Īsā.

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā'.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā'.
- Completed nine levels of Arabic at Markaz Fajr, Cairo.
- Currently studying at al-Azhar Institute.

# Qualifications:

• Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* in 2003.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.
  - 3) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn Ḥusayn al-Nawāwī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- Sheikh 'Amr 'Aṭiyyah (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ.
- Sheikh 'Abū 'Abd al-Raḥmān Aḥmad ibn Yūnūs (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ.
- Sheikh 'Ali ibn Muḥammad Toufīq al-Naḥḥās (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ.
  - 2) All his written works.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Fattāḥ Madkūr Bayyūmī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Sheikh Rajā'ī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Qālūn via the Shāṭibiyyah.

- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī ijāzah in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim, the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn Ḥusayn Ibn Sa'd al-Nawāwī completed the Qirā'ah
  of 'Āṣim by him.
- Sheikh 'Amr ibn 'Abd al-Muḥsin ibn Muḥammad ibn 'Aṭiyah completed the narration of Ḥafṣ by him.
- Sheikh Abū 'Abd al-Raḥmān Aḥmed ibn Yūnus ibn Aḥmed ibn 'Abd al-Ghanī completed the narration of Ḥafs by him.
- Sheikh 'Ali ibn Muḥammad Toufīq al-Naḥḥās received ijāzah in the narration of Ḥafs and all his books.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Fattāḥ Madkūr Bayyūmī received *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Ṭayyibah*.

• Sheikh Rajā'ī – completed the narration of Qālūn via the *Shāṭibiyyah* by him.

# Past and Current Activities:

- Taught at Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā' for two months (2012).
- Busy studying and memorising the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Currently combining the narration of Qālūn and the Qirā'ah of Ibn Kathīr to a teacher.
- Also reading the narration of Warsh to a teacher.

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### **Tāhirah** Brown

Mother's name: Farīdah

Father's name: 'Abd al-Raḥīm

#### Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'an by her father.
- Finished her first khatm by Sheikhah Umm Sārī.
- Attended Primrose Park Madrasah as well as learning the essentials of *dīn* at the hands of her father.

#### Later studies:

- Matriculated from Islamic College, Cape Town.
- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by 'Ā'ishah Ceres.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikhah Umm Sārī.
- Did two-year Arabic Diploma at Dār al-Arqam.
- Matriculated from Islamiyyah High School, Surrey Estate.
- Did Arabic studies at Markaz al-'Alīm and Markaz al-Fajr (Egypt).

### Qualifications:

Completed her hifth by Sheikhah Umm Sārī (Egypt).

# She received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikhah Umm Sārī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 3) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.

- Sheikh Hārūn Moos (Cape Town) in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 2) The Qirā'ah of Ya'qūb via the *Durrah*.
- Sheikh Yaḥyā Gouthānī (Medina) in:
  - 1) Heard (samā') Al-Arba'ūn al-Ghouthāniyyah being read to the Sheikh.
  - 2) Received *ijāzah 'āmmah* for all his tranmissions.

- Father, 'Abd al-Raḥīm learnt how to recite the Qur'ān by him as well as the
  essentials of dīn.
- Asmā' Ceres studied Arabic with her.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Laṭīf (Strand) studied Arabic with him.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Moos studied Arabic grammar by him.
- Dr. Sheikhkah Umm Sārī memorised the entire Qur'ān by her in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim, Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah, and Shu'bah via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Ṭayyibah. She received sanad and ijāzah for all that she read to the Sheikhah.
- Sheikhah Ibtihāj (Egypt) did her initial hifth, and studied Qirā'āt and Tafsīr by her.
- Sheikhah Mūnā (Egypt) studied Tafsīr by her.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied sections of the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī recited sections of the Qur'ān to him.
- Sheikh Yāsīn Sha'rāwī did initial *ḥifṭḥ* with him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos completed the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī and Ya'qūb by him.

Students:

Kulsum Harneker - completed her hifth by the Sheikhah on 16 December

2014.

Past and Current Activities:

Assistant Qur'an teacher at Quds Madrasah, Gatesville.

*Taḥfīṭḥ* teacher of the female section at Imam Hafs Hifth Academy.

Taught Qur'ānic literacy at Hafith Academy (Gatesville).

• Assistant *ḥifṭḥ* teacher at J.E.Q. Girls.

Currently has her own school, Taysīr al-Raḥmān Academy for the

memorisation of the Qur'an, where she teaches Qur'anic reading and its

related sciences.

Currently reading the *Qirā'ah* of Abū 'Amr al-Basri to Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah

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### Thafir Lee

Mother's name: Āminah

Father's name: Rashād Lee

### **Early Studies:**

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismāʿīl Berdien, completing about five juz from the back.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana Munīr Sampson.

#### Later Studies:

- Started the 'Ālim course in Azaadville and completed one and a half years.
- Did a course in Kuwait.

## Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Moulana Munīr Sampson.

### Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Moulana Luqmān Ben in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the *Miṣbāḥ* and the *Roudah* of Muʻaddil.
  - 2) The *Bahjah* of Samannūdī.
  - 3) The text of Sheikh ' $\bar{A}$ mir Sayyid 'Uthm $\bar{a}$ n.
  - 4) The poem of Sheikh Saʿīd ʿAbd Allah for the ṭarīq of Miṣbāḥ.
  - 5) The poem of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the tarīq of *Miṣbāḥ*.

- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Berdien started his ḥifṭḥ by him, memorising almost five juz.
- Moulana Munīr Sampson continued and completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied Tajwīd and 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān by him. Some of the books studied and read by him include al-Tibyān fī Ādāb Ḥamalat al-Qur'an of Imam al-Nawawī, Tārīkh al-Qur'ān of 'Abd al-Ṣabūr Shāhīn and History of the Qur'ānic Text of Muḥammad Muṣṭafā al-A'ṭḥamī. Also read various texts on Tajwīd by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Ables studied al-Tibyān fī 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān and Tafsīr Āyāt al-Aḥkam of Ṣābūnī by him.
- Moulana Anwar Humbles studied the first volume of Manāhil al-ʿIrfān fī

  'Ulūm al-Qur'ān and Tafsīr al-Jalālayn by him.
- Moulana Irshād Sedick studied the first volume of Manāhil al-Irfān fī
   \*\*Ulūm al-Qur'ān\*\* by him. Also studied the Sunan of al-Nasā'ī by him.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor studied *Tafsīr* using the *Tafsīr* of Ibn Kathīr by him. Also studied the *Sunan* of Abū Dāwūd by him.
- Moulana Ya'qūb 'Abd Allah studied Manhaj al-Naqd of Sheikh Nūr al-Dīn 'Itr, Madhāhib al-Touḥīdiyyah of Sheikh M. Sa'īd Ramaḍān al-Būṭī and sections of Mughnī al-Muḥtāj by him. Also studied the second half of al-Wajīz in Uṣūl al-Fiqh, as well as the chapter of al-Nikāḥ from Fiqh al-Manhajī by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Manhaj al-Naqd of Sheikh Muḥammad Muṣṭafā al-A'ṭḥamī, and the first half of al-Wajīz in Uṣūl al-Fiqh and sections of Mughnī al-Muḥtāj by him. Also studied the Jām' of al-Tirmidhī and the Ṣaḥīḥ of Muslim by him.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali studied al-Raf' wa al-Takmīl, Jawāhir al-Kalāmiyyah and Tah-dhīb sharḥ al-Sānūsī by him.

Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan — studied the Ṣaḥīḥ of al-Bukhārī, al-I'tiqād of al-Bayhaqī and sections of Mughnī al-Muḥtāj by him. Received ijāzah 'āmmah

from him.

• Moulana Ṭāriq 'Abd Allah – studied *Sīrat al-Nabawiyyah*, *Mousū'at al-*

Muyassarah fī Tārīkh al-Islāmī, Ḥuqbah min al-Tārīkh and various chapters

of Figh al-Manhajī by him.

Moulana Shabīr Galant — studied the chapter of Hajj from Fiqh al-Manhajī,

Bulūgh al-Marām and Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn by him.

• Moulana Riyāḍ Saloojee – studied *Kubrā al-Yaqīniyyāt* by him.

• Sheikh Abū Muʻādh – studied *Naḥw* by him.

• Moulana Azhar Pathan — studied *Fiqh al-Sīrah* by him.

• Moulana 'Abd al-Ḥafīṭḥ al-Makkī – received *ijāzah 'āmmah* from him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

• Currently in his fifth year at DUAI, Strand.

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### Wardah bint Ismā~īl Mohamed

Mother's name: Rushqah

Father's name: Ismā'īl

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Mu'allimah Nadīmah Mollagee.
- She learnt the essentials of dīn, learning basic Fiqh, 'Aqīdah, Tajwīd, du'ās
  and history by Mu'allimah Rāḍiyah Mollagee and Zerina Mollagee at
  Madrasat al-Amīn in Crawford.

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Muʻallimah Rāḍiyah Mollagee at Madrasat al-Amīn. She completed five *ajzā* with her.
- Completed hifth at 'Abd Allah ibn Mas'ūd Hāfith Institute by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).
- Studied the first two volumes of Sheikhah Kareema Czerepinski, Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān (the 3<sup>rd</sup> volume was not published at that time) with Sheikh Muḥammad Adams. Also studied the Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah by him.
- Studied the books of Sheikhah Kareemah and the Jazariyyah with Sheikhah Rabī'ah Shad a student of Sheikhah Kareema from Dār al-Hudā Institute, Saudi Arabia. This took place at the 'Abd Allah ibn Mas'ūd Institute, St Athans Road Masjid.
- Completed the course at Dār al-Naʿīm Institute of Higher Islamic Learning:
   1<sup>st</sup> year Naḥw, Ṣarf, Qurʾān translation.

- O 2<sup>nd</sup> year *Umdah al-Sālik, Al-Tibyān fī 'Ulum al-Qur'ān, al-Kāfi al-Wāfi, Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn, Bulūg al-Marām, Ṣafwat al-Tafāsīr, 'Aqīdah, Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth*, Laws of inheritance (*Mīrāth*).
- O 3<sup>rd</sup> year *Jāmiʿ al-Tirmidhī* and *Fiqh al-Sīra* of Sheikh Ramaḍān Al-Būṭī.
- O Later also studied *Al-Khulāṣah fī Uṣul al-Fiqh* by Muḥammad Ḥasan Hītu, *Kubrā al-Yaqīniyyāt al-Kouniyyah* by Sheikh Ramaḍān Al-Būṭī (only certain portions).
- Completed the 8<sup>th</sup> module at the Qurrā' Development Program (QDP):
  - O *Murshid al-Qāri*, book 3; a commentary on the *Jazariyyah* received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the *Jazariyyah* from various teachers at the programme.
  - Al-La'āli' al-Bayān by Samannūdī received sanad and ijāzah for the book from Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
  - O Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfī by 'Uthmān Murād.
  - O Ghunyat al-Ṭalabah fī Taysīr al-Sab'ah on the uṣūl of the Seven Qirā'āt.
  - O *Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān* by Sheikhah Kareema Carol Czerepinski received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for her books from Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
  - O Al-Tibyān fī Ādāb Ḥamalat al-Qur'ān received sanad and ijāzah for the book from Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan.
  - O Fayd al-Mu'īn 'alā Jam' al-'Arba'īn fī Fadl al-Qur'ān al-Mubīn by Mullā 'Ali al-Qāri' received sanad and ijāzah for the book from Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān, as well as Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
  - O Akhlāq Ḥamalat al-Qur'ān by Abū Bakr al-Ājurrī read the entire book to Moulana Salīm Gaibie and received sanad and ijāzah for it.

#### Qualifications:

- Matriculated in 2009.
- Completed hifth by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams at the Abdullah bin Mas'ūd Hafith Institute, St Athens Road Masjid.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
  - 3) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
  - 4) The Jazariyyah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.
  - 3) Al-La'āli' al-Bayān of Samannūdī.
  - 4) Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān of Sheikhah Kareema Carol Czerepinski.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt in:
  - 1) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
- Qāri Ayyūb Isḥāq in:
  - 1) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Yaḥyā Gouthānī
  - 1) Heard (samā') Al-Arba'ūn al-Ghouthāniyyah being read to the Sheikh.
  - 2) Received *ijāzah 'āmmah* for all his tranmissions.

- Mu'allimah Nadīmah Mollagee learnt to recite the Qur'ān, basic Fiqh, 'Aqīdah, Tajwīd, du'ās and history by her.
- Mu'allimah Zerina Mollagee learnt to recite the Qur'ān, basic Fiqh, 'Aqīdah, Tajwīd, du'ās and history by her.

- Mu'allimah Rāḍiyah Mollagee learnt to recite the Qur'ān, basic Fiqh, 'Aqīdah, Tajwīd, du'ās and history by her.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington) completed the memorisation of the Qur'ān by him. Also studied *Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān* of Sheikhah Kareema, as well as the *Jazariyyah* by him.
- Sheikhah Rabī'ah Shad studied Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān of Sheikhah Kareema as well as the Jazariyyah by her.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied Arabic grammar, Qur'ān translation, 'Umdat al-Sālik, 'Aqīdah, selected chapters from Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn and Bulug al-Marām, Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth, Mirāth, Fiqh al-Sīra, and selected portions of Kubrā al-Yaqīniyyāt al-Kouniyya by him.
- Moulana Zakariyyā Philander studied Ṣarf, Qur'ān translation, 'Umdat al-Sālik, Al-Tibyān fī 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān, al-Kāfi al-Wāfi, Ṣafwat al-Tafāsīr and Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Kiran studied the Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī by him.
- Moulana Muḥammad Carr completed certain sections of Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī and al-Kāfi al-Wāfi by him.
- Moulana Muʻadh ʻAli studied *Al-Khulāṣah fī Uṣul al-Fiqh* by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie completed the Murshid al-Qāri, book three a commentary on the Jazariyyah, Al-La'āli' al-Bayān by Samannūdī, Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfī by 'Uthmān Murād, Ghunyat al-Ṭalabah fī Taysīr al-Sab'ah, Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān by Sheikhah Kareema Carol Czerepinski, Fayḍ al-Mu'īn of Mullā 'Ali al-Qāri', Akhlāq Ḥamalat al-Qur'ān by Al-Ajurrī, 40 Ḥadīth compiled by Sheikh 'Abdullah Sa'īd al-Laḥjī by him. Also read the Tuḥfah and Jazariyyah to him for ijāzah. She received ijāzah from him in all that she completed.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt studied "Ulūm al-Qur'ān by Aḥmad Von Denffer, read the Jazariyyah to him. Completed the uṣūl of the Shāṭibiyyah by him.

- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan completed Fayḍ al-Mu'īn by Mulla 'Ali al-Qāri' by him. Also received ijāzah in Al-Tibyān fī Ādābi Ḥamala al-Qur'ān from him. Read a portion of the Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī to him and received sanad for the entire book from him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah. Also read the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah to him and received ijāzah. Currently she is reading the Qirā 'ah of Abū 'Amr al-Basrī to him.
- Sheikh Yaḥyā Ghouthānī heard *Al-Arbaʿūn al-Ghouthāniyyah* being read to him. Received *ijāzah* for it as well as *ijāzah ʿāmmāh* from him.
- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan received ijāzah 'āmmah from him.

#### Students:

• Zahrah Goder – completed *ḥifṭḥ* by her on 24 December 2013.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- She was previously a teacher at Dār al-Naʿīm Institute of Higher Learning, teaching Fiqh, Sīrah and Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth. The books used to teach these subjects include al-Iqnāʿ fi Ḥall Alfāṭḥ Abī Shujāʿ by Khaṭīb Sharbīnī, Fiqh al-Sīrah al-Nabawiyyah by Sheikh Muḥammad Saʿīd Ramaḍān al-Būṭī, al-Manhaj al-Ḥadīth fī Tashīl ʿUlūm al-Ḥadīth by Dr ʿAli Nāyif al-Baqāʿī. She also taught selected chapters of Jāmiʿ al-Tirmidhī here.
- Taught Qur'ān literacy, basic Fiqh and 'Aqīdah at Discover Islam.
- She currently has private classes and sessions with individual students.
- Conducts a weekly ladies Qur'ān literacy class, teaching Tajwīd and basic hifth. In both the hifth and weekly classes the students read the Ḥadīth book Fayd al-Mu'īn of Mullā 'Ali al-Qāri' to her.
- Coordinator of Dar al-Naʿīm's ladies annual *Tarāwīḥ* programme.

- She concentrates on her instruction with Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan, the projects and translations that she receives from him.
- She also has a sitting for female graduates and advanced students who wish to take their studies further. It takes place a few times a week in which they intend to cover all the key subjects such as Fiqh, Uṣūl al-Fiqh, Ḥadīth, Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth, 'Aqīdah, Tajwīd, Qur'an recitation, and so forth.
- She has initiated a class for females at the Kromboom Road Masjid.

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# Yāsīn Taliep

Mother's name: Najwah Ahmed Taliep

Father's name: Muḥammad Riḍwān Taliep

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Mu'allimah Madenieyyah Soeker.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.
- Attended the madrasah run by Mu'allimah Madenieyyah Soeker.
- Started *ḥifṭḥ* at Dār al-Naʿīm Tahfeeth at age of 15 in 2007.

### **Higher Education:**

- Started hifth by Sheikh Ihsan Abrahams 2007 at Dar al-Na'ım Tahfeeth.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams in 2010.
- Completed three modules of the Qurrā' Development Programme (QDP) in 2012.
- Completed a teaching and facilitator course at Discover Islam in 2012.
- Studied Arabic and Qur'ānic studies at al-Tanzīl Institute for Qur'ānic Sciences in 2015.
- Also started reciting the narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah to Sheikh Sālim Peck at al-Tanzīl.

### Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams in 2010.
- Completed a teaching and facilitator course at Discover Islam in 2012.

Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ihsān Abrahams in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʻaddil.

#### Teachers:

- Mu'allimah Madeniyyah Soeker learnt how to read the Qur'ān by her.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams started and completed his ḥifṭḥ by Sheikh Iḥsān.
   He also read a khatm to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Muʿaddil, receiving sanad and ijāzah from him in 2014.
- Sheikh Nadhīr Palmer was a student of him whilst doing *ḥifṭḥ*.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids was a student of him whilst doing *ḥifṭḥ*.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan studied Arabic Grammar and Morphology by him at the Qurrā' Development Programme (QDP).
- Moulana Samīḥ studied Arabic Grammar by him at the QDP.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier recited a bit of the Qur'ān to him at the QDP.
- Sheikh Ridwan Saiet studied Tajwid via Murshid al-Qari book 1 and 2 at the QDP.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown studied *Maqāmāt* by him at the QDP.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos studied *Maqāmāt* by him at the QDP.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied the *Jazariyyah* by him at the QDP.
- Sheikh Sālim Peck studied Arabic Morphology by him, and currently reciting to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah at At-Tanzīl.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Started teaching hifth at Dar al-Na<sup>c</sup>im Tahfeeth in 2011, and still teaching here.
- Studied at the QDP in 2012.
- Completed a teacher and facilitator course at Discover Islam in 2012.

- Received sanad and ījāzah for Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʻaddil from Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams in 2014.
- Currently reciting to Sheikh Sālim Peck for Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

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# Yumnah Jacobs

Mother's name: Sumayyah Ma'rūf

Father's name: Isma'īl Jacobs

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'an by her mother.
- Completed first reading *khatm* by her mother.

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* with Muʻallimah ʻĀ'ishah Ceres.
- Completed three years later with Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Muʻallimah ʻĀ'ishah Ceres.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- Sumayyah Ma'rūf learnt to recite the Qur'ān by her.
- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres memorised the Qur'ān by her.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied the *Tuḥfah* and *Tajwīd* by him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied Arabic and Islamic studies by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams received sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Ḥafṣ
  from him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- Completed three year Dar al-Na'im Arabic course with Moulana 'Ali Goder.
- Completed a *Tajwīd* course including the *Tuḥfah* with Sheikh Iḥsān Davids.
- Taught for a year at Dar al-Na'ım hifth division.
- Also taught part-time for two years.
- Currently studying various books of *Tajwīd* as well as reading the narration of Shu'bah to Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.

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### Yūsuf Philander

Mother's name: Zubaydah Philander/Abrahams

Father's name: Ādam Philander

### Early studies:

• Learnt to read the Qur'ān by his parents.

### Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Shahīd Philander.

## Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Shahīd Philander.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Muhammad Philander in:
  - 1) The Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far via the Durrah.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids in:
  - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim.

- ullet Parents learned to recite the Qur'ān by them.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim.

• Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids – reciting the *Qirā'ah* of Abū 'Amr Basrī to him.

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### Zahīr Kamaldien

Sheikh Zahīr Kamaldien is the first Capetonian to graduate from the Faculty of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina alongside receiving *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the Ten *Qirā'āt* that he studied.

Mother's name: Khadījah Kamaldien

Father's name: Badr al-Dīn Kamaldien

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Sheikh Fu'ād Isaacs.
- Completed first *khatm* by Sheikh Majdī 'Īsā.

## Higher Education:

- Started hifth by Sheikh Fu'ād Isaacs.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* at Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā' (JEQ) by Sheikh Majdī 'Īsā.
- Completed Ipsa Diploma Course.
- Completed Arabic Diploma at Islamic University of Medina.
- Graduated from the Faculty of Qur'ān and Islamic studies at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Completed the Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Completed the Three *Qirā'āt* via the *Durrah*.
- Completed the Four Shādhdh Qirā'āt.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* on April 2003 by Sheikh Majdī 'Īsā at Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā'.

### Sheikh Zahīr received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Ḥasan Rajab (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Sānūghū 'Abd al-'Azīz (Ivory Coast) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The Tuḥfah of Jamzūrī.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Dāwūdī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah of Muʻaddil.
  - 3) The Tuḥfah
  - 4) The Jazariyyah.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn Ibrāhīm (Pakistan) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Amīr ibn 'Ādil Ṭanṭāwī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The Tuḥfah.
  - 2) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 3) The Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 4) The Shāṭibiyyah.
  - 5) The Three *Qirā'āt* via the *Durrah*.
  - 6) The Durrah.
  - 7) The Four Shādhdh Qirā'āt.
- Sheikh Yāsīn Shaʿrāwī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
  - 2) The Jazariyyah.

- Sheikh Ilyās al-Barmāwī (Medina) in:
  - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.

- Sheikh Fu'ād Isaacs learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him and started *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Majdī 'Īsā completed *ḥifṭḥ* of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Booley revised the Qur'ān with him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie studied *Tajwīd* and completed the *Tuḥfah* by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt studied Tajwīd, maqāmāt, as well as read a portion of the Qur'ān to him in the narration of Sūsī.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Wynberg) memorised sections of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamin revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Ali Davids revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Ḥasan Rajab received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Maḥmūd Amīn Ṭanṭāwī read the narration of Ḥafṣ with qaṣr in munfasil and the narration of Shuʿbah to him.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Dāwūdī received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafş via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn Ibrāhīm received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Muṣṭafā studied *maqāmāt* with him.
- Sheikh 'Umar Quṭb studied *maqāmāt* with him.
- Sheikh Sānūghū 'Abd al-'Azīz received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Tuḥfah.

- Sheikh Amīr ibn 'Ādil Ṭanṭāwī received sanad and ijāzah from him in the Ten Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah and the Durrah, as well as the Four Shādh Qirā'āt. Also received ijāzah from him in various other texts.
- Sh Majdī 'Īsā completed the memorisation of the Qur'ān by him.
- Sh Yāsīn Shaʿrāwī received sanad and ijāzah from him for the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah.
- Sh Muḥammad Khālid Manṣūr studied qirā'āt by him in the Faculty of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Sh 'Ali Ḥudhayfī studied *Qirā'āt* by him in the Faculty of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Sh Ilyās Barmāwī read the 30<sup>th</sup> juz to him, as well as the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī to him.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Shafī' one of his lecturers in the Faculty of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Sheikh Ṭalāl Aḥmad 'Ali al-Muḥammad one of his lecturers in the Faculty
  of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.

#### Students:

- Ḥāfiṭḥ Ṣabīḥ Philander currently reading the Qirā'ah of Ḥamzah to the Sheikh, as well as studying the Jazariyyah.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Amīr Brinkhuis received sanad and ijāzah from the Sheikh in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim and Nāfi' via the Shāṭibiyyah. He also read the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah to the Sheikh for ijāzah.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ 'Ammār Nackerdien received sanad and ijāzah from the Sheikh in the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah. He also read the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah to Sheikh Zahīr for ijāzah.
- Ḥāfiṭḥ Muḥammad Shafīq Ebrahim completed the Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim by him.

#### Past and Current Activities:

- 2003 Completed *ḥifṭḥ* at Jamʿiyyat al-Qurrāʾ (JEQ).
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in Botswana.
- Won Rabita Qur'ān Hifth Competition in Cape Town.
- 2004 Graduated from Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā'.
- Completed the study of basic *Tajwīd* and the *Tuḥfah* by Moulana Salīm Gaibie at Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā'.
- Conducted Qur'ānic literacy classes for children.
- 2005 Attended Islamic Peace University of South Africa (IPSA) Diploma Course.
- Attended Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt's Tajwīd and magāmāt classes.
- Performed *Tarāwīh* in Lesotho.
- Left for Egypt to further his studies.
- 2006 Completed and received sanad and ijāzah in Ḥafṣ via the Shaṭibiyyah by Sheikh Ḥasan Rajab on 28th March.
- Completed and received *ijāzah* in Shuʿbah via the *Shaṭibiyyah* and Ḥafṣ from the *Ṭayyibah* by Sheikh Maḥmūd Amīn Ṭanṭāwī.
- Received *ijāzah* in the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* from Sheikh Yāsīn Shaʿrāwī.
- Studied Arabic at Markaz Nīl in Egypt.
- Studied maqāmāt under Sheikh 'Umar Quṭb and Sheikh Aḥmad Muṣṭafā.
- Was accepted to study at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Assistant teacher at Jam'iyyat al-Qurrā' after returning from Egypt until before leaving to Medina.
- 2007-2011 Studies at Islamic University of Medina.
- Completed Arabic Diploma at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Entered the Faculty of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.

- Assistant prelims judge in Qur'ān *ḥifṭḥ* competition in Capetown, 2010.
- Assistant teacher by Al-Ameen hifth institute, which runs under the auspices
  of Sheikh 'Ali Davids.
- Recited at the annual strand youth *qirā'āt* programme in 2010 and 2011.
- 2012 Assistant teacher by Al-Ameen *ḥifṭḥ* institute.
- Assistant prelims judge in Qur'ān *ḥifṭḥ* competition held in Cape Town.
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in Namibia.
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in Mauritius.
- Conducted Qur'ān literacy classes for children, focusing on hifth and Tajwīd.
- Conducted evening *Tajwīd* classes for adults.
- Graduated from the Faculty of the Qur'ān and Islamic studies at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Currently conducts classes in the afternoon for students of the Qur'ān, as well as other Islamic studies.
- Currently conducts evening classes for adults learning Tajwīd and Qur'ānic literacy.

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# Zāhidah Majiet

Mother's name: Fāṭimah

Father's name: Muḥammad Ṣādiq

### Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'an by her father, Muḥammad Ṣādiq.
- Completed her first *khatm* of the Qur'ān by Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres.

### Higher Education:

- Started her hifth by Mu'allimah Fāţimah Abrahams at Dār al-Islām, Surrey Estate.
- Completed her *ḥifṭḥ* by Muʻallimah ʻĀ'ishah Ceres.
- Received sanad and ijāzah in the narration of Ḥafṣ from Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.
- Studied Arabic and higher Islamic studies at Dar al-Na'im, Wynberg.
- Completed four modules of the Qurrā' Development Programme (QDP).
- Received sanad and ijāzah in the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah from Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
- Received sanad and ijāzah from Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt for the Jazariyyah.
- Received sanad and ijāzah from Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan for the 40

   Hadīth of Mullā 'Ali al-Qāri' on the virtues of the Qur'ān.

### Qualifications:

• Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by Muʻallimah ʻĀʾishah Ceres.

### Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʻaddil.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
  - 2) Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl.
- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt (South Africa) in:
  - 1) The Jazariyyah.

- Father, Muḥammad Ṣādiq learned how to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Mu'allimah Fāṭimah Abrahams started memorising the Qur'ān by her.
- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres completed memorising the Qur'ān by her.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt received sanad and ijāzah from him for the Jazariyyah. She studied the text of Sheikh 'Āmir Sayyid 'Uthmān on qaṣr of madd munfaṣil for Ḥafṣ via the Rouḍah. Mu'allimah Zāhidah also studied 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams received sanad and ijāzah from him in the narration of Ḥafs via the Roudah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie received sanad and ijāzah from him for the Tuḥfah and the Jazariyyah.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan received sanad and ijāzah from him for the
   40 Ḥadīth of Mullā 'Ali al-Qāri' on the virtues of the Qur'ān.
- Moulana 'Ali Gouder studied Arabic and Islamic studies by him.
- Moulana Zakariyyā Philander studied Arabic and Islamic studies by him.

# Past and Current Activities:

• Currently teaching *ḥifṭḥ* at Dār Ubaiy (female section).

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### Zākirah Palmer

Mother's name: Şubayḥah Palmer

Father's name: Nașr al-Dīn Palmer

### Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Mu'allimah Fāṭimah Abrahams.
- Completed her first *khatm* by Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamen.
- Attended D\(\bar{a}\)r al-Islam Haafith School (part time).
- Attended J.E.Q Girls Institute.

### Higher Education:

- Did her *ḥifṭḥ* from 2006-2010.
- Started her *ḥifṭḥ* by J.E.Q Girls Institute.
- Completed *ḥifṭḥ* by J.E.Q Girls Institute.
- Studied at Markaz Fajr Arabic language institute (Egypt), completing levels 1-8 classical Arabic (فصحة).

#### Qualifications:

• Completed her *ḥifṭḥ*.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Amr ibn 'Abd al-Muḥsin (Egypt) in:
  - 1) Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl.
  - 2) The narration of Ḥafs via the Shāṭibiyyah.
- Sheikh 'Ali al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
  - 1) Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.

2) The Qirā'ah of 'Āṣim via the Shāṭibiyyah.

#### Teachers:

- Mu'allimah Fāṭimah Abrahams learnt how to recite the Qur'ān by her.
- Mu'allimah Fāṭimah Thebus Isaacs
- Mu'allimah Ruqayyah Samsodien
- Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamen completed her first *khatm* by him.
- Sheikh 'Amr ibn 'Abd al-Muḥsin (Egypt) studied the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī by him and read a *khatm* to him in the narration of Ḥafs via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh 'Ali al-Zanātī (Egypt) studied the *Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah* by him and read a *khatm* to him in the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

#### Past and Current Activities:

• Currently a teacher at Da'irat al-'Ilm Haafith Institute.

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# Zubayr Mohamed

Mother's name: Rushqah

Father's name: Ismā'īl

### Early studies:

- He learnt to read the Qur'ān by Mu'allimah Rāḍiyah Mollagee at Madrasat al-Amīn, Crawford.
- He completed his first khatm by Sheikh Yaḥyā Tambala.
- Attended D\u00e4r al-'Ul\u00fam al-'Arabiyyah al-Isl\u00e4miyyah (DUAI), Strand.

## Higher Education:

- Started his *ḥifṭḥ* by Muʻallimah Rāḍiyah Mollagee.
- Completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Yaḥyā Tambala.
- Completed the 2 year Arabic and Islamic studies course at Dār al-Naʿīm, Wynberg. Here he studied Naḥw, Ṣarf and Qurʾān translation in the first year, and subsequently did Fiqh, 'Aqīdah, 'Ulūm-ul-Qurʾān, Tafsīr, Muṣṭalaḥ-al-Ḥadīth and Inheritance in the second year.
- Completed 9 modules of the Qurrā' Development Program.
- Studying and reciting the Seven *Qirā'āt* at al-Tanzīl Institute of Qur'ānic Sciences.

### Qualifications:

Completed his hifth by Sheikh Yaḥyā Tambala.

# Received sanad and ijāzah from:

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Rahmān Davids in:
  - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- 2) The Tuhfah.
- Qāri Ayyūb ibn Ibrāhīm Isḥāq in:
  - 1) The Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
  - 1) Fath al-Karīm of Sheikh 'Ali al-Dabbā'.
- Completed BSC Degree in Computer Science

- Mu'allimah Rāḍiyah Mollagee started ḥifṭḥ by her, as well as studying Tajwīd, 'Aqīdah, Islamic History and du'ās.
- Sheikh Yaḥyā Tambala completed his ḥifṭḥ by him.
- Moulana 'Ādil Williams revised his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Rāshid Kakie revised his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Faḍl al-Dīn revised his ḥifṭḥ by him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder studied Naḥw, Ṣarf, Qur'ān translation, 'Aqīdah, Fiqh,
  Mīrāth and Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth by him.
- Moulana Zakariyyā Philander studied Naḥw, Ṣarf, Qur'ān translation, Fiqh and Uṣūl al-Fiqh by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids studied Tajwīd, Murshid al-Qārī, Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl, al-La'āli' al-Naqiyyah sharḥ al-Muqaddimat al-Jazariyyah and the Shāṭibiyyah by him. Also combining the Seven Qirā'āt via the Shāṭibiyyah to the Sheikh.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt studied the uṣūl of the Shāṭibiyyah by the Sheikh.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan read al-Tibyān fī Ādāb Hamalat al-Qur'ān of Imam al-Nawawī to him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown learnt Maqāmāt by him.

• Sheikh Hārūn Moos — learnt *Magāmāt* by him.

• Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids — studied *Tajwīd* via the *Murshid al-Qārī* and

the Tuḥfat al-Aṭfāl. Read a khatm to the Sheikh in the narration of Ḥafṣ via

the Shāṭibiyyah.

• Moulana Salīm Gaibie — studied *al-Laʾāliʾ al-Naqiyyah sharḥ al-Muqaddimat* 

al-Jazariyyah, al-La'āli' al-Bayān of Sheikh Samannūdī by him. Received ijāzah

from him for Fath al-Karīm of Sheikh al-Dabbā' after hearing it being read to

him.

• Sheikh Muḥammad Philander — studied *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* by him.

• Sheikh 'Abd Allah Petersen – Reciting the Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* 

to him.

Past and Current Activities:

Performed *Tarāwīḥ* at:

Sulaimaniya Masjid, Woodstock.

• Masjid Sunni, Kromboom.

• Zimasile Islamic Society, Langa.

Currently reading the Qirā'ah of Abū Ja'far via the Durrah to Sheikh 'Abd al-

Raḥmān Davids.

• Currently a student at al-Tanzil Institute of Qur'ānic Sciences where he is

reading the Seven Qirā'āt to Sheikh 'Abd Allah Petersen as well as Sheikh

Ihsān Davids.

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#### **GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

Hāfiṭḥ (male)/Hāfiṭṭḥah (female) – one who has memorised the entire Qur'ān.

Ḥāfiṭḥ School — colloquially used, referring to a school which teaches students to memorise the Qur'ān.

Ḥifṭḥ/Taḥfīṭḥ - memorization of the Qur'ān.

Khatm – reciting the entire Qur'ān.

Lanja - a word used colloquially indicating the hāfith/hāfithah had undergone a rigorous revision program of the entire Qur'ān, reciting it many a time from memory to various teachers and thereafter being randomly tested on it.

Manzil examination — where the student who has memorised the entire Qur'ān is expected to recite a manzil (approximately six juz) from memory to the teacher, until an entire khatm is done.

Mu'allim (male)/mu'allimah (female) — instructor or teacher.

Ustādh (male)/Ustādhah (female) — instructor or teacher.