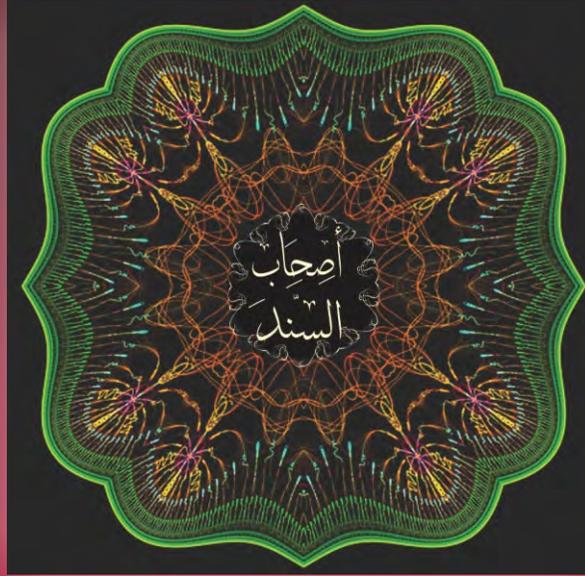




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SYSTEM OF transliteration

Nr	Arabic	English	Nr	Arabic	English
1	أ	'	17	ظ	ṭh
2	ب	b	18	ع	'
3	ت	t	19	غ	gh
4	ث	th	20	ف	f
5	ج	j	21	ق	q
6	ح	ḥ	22	ك	k
7	خ	kh	23	ل	l
8	د	d	24	م	m
9	ذ	dh	25	ن	n
10	ر	r	26	ه	h
11	ز	z	27	و	w
12	س	s	28	ي	y
13	ش	sh	29	أَ	ā
14	ص	ṣ	30	إِ	ī
15	ض	ḍ	31	ؤُ	ū
16	ط	ṭ	32	أَيَّ	Ay
			33	أَوْ	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 [أ] which is [ʾ] 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'an, ultimately loving the Eternal Word of Allah, al-Qur'an. In the words of 'Abd Allah ibn Mas'ud رضي الله عنه:

فَإِنْ كَانَ يُحِبُّ الْقُرْآنَ فَإِنَّهُ يُحِبُّ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ

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

MISSION

- Teaching the correct recitation of the Qur'an, with *Tajwīd*.
- Equipping the student with the 10 and 14 *Qirā'āt*.
- Understanding the Qur'an.
- Aspiring to live the Qur'an.
- Proliferation of Qur'anic Sciences.

CURRICULUM

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

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

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

Al-Tanzīl's Database of Sanad Holders

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'an, 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 *qurrā'*:

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-Shawāfi. 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-'Usaymī argues that 'Ali ibn Ghānim al-Maqdisī did not read to Muḥammad ibn Ibrāhīm al-Samadīsī – as mentioned in many *ijāzāt* – but actually read to 'Abd al-Ḥaqq al-Sumbāfi.
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-'Ubaydī which appears in the *sanads* of the *qurrā'* from Egypt, Syria, India and Pakistan. Biographical sources hold little information about his life.

Al-Tanzīl's Database of Sanad Holders

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.
- 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. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
 4. Sālim Peck.
 5. 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 *Tayyibah*.
 1. Iḥsān Davids.
 2. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
- One completed the Four *Shādh Qirā'āt*:
 1. Muḥammad 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 *Shātibiyah*:
 1. Iḥsān Davids.
 2. I'jāz Muqaddam.
 3. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
 4. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
 5. Sālīm Peck.
 6. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- Five completed the Ten *Qirā'āt* (*'Asharah Ṣuḡhrā*) via the *Shātibiyah* and the *Durrah*:
 1. Iḥsān Davids.
 2. I'jāz Muqaddam.
 3. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
 4. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
 5. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- Two completed the Ten *Qirā'āt* (*'Asharah Kubrā*) via the *Ṭayyibah*:
 1. Iḥsān Davids.
 2. Muḥammad 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 *Shātibiyah*:
 1. 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.
 2. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
 3. Ismā'īl Londt.
 4. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
 5. 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. Iḥsān Davids.
 3. I'jāz Muqaddam.
 4. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
 5. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
 6. Sālim Peck.
 7. Shākir Davids.
 8. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- Seven completed the Ten *Qirā'āt* (*'Asharah Ṣuḡhrā*) via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrah*:
 1. 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.
 2. Iḥsān Davids.
 3. I'jāz Muqaddam.
 4. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
 5. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
 6. Shākir Davids.
 7. Zahīr Kamaldien.
- Three completed the Ten *Qirā'āt* (*'Asharah Kubrā*) via the *Ṭayyibah*:
 1. Iḥsān Davids.
 2. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
 3. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
- Two completed the Four *Shādh Qirā'āt*:
 1. Muḥammad Salīm Gaibie.
 2. Zahīr Kamaldien.

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- Five have *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the text of the *Shāṭibiyyah*:
 1. ‘Ā’ishah Abrahams.
 2. Imtiyāz Isaacs.
 3. Ismā‘īl 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.

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 ﷺ, his Companions or the Successors رضي الله عنهم. 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 ﷺ, and ultimately to Allah ﷻ, 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 ﷺ, and is unique to the community of Islam. It was used by the Companions رضي الله عنهم when they transmitted the words, actions, or implicit approvals of the Prophet ﷺ in a manner which indicated that they received it directly from him رضي الله عنه, 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 ʿUthmān, 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 *fitna* 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."¹

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.²

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], *Hadīth* [prophetic traditions], *Fiqh* [Islamic positive law], *Uṣūl* [legal theory], *Touḥīd* [Islamic creed], *Balāghah* [Arabic

¹ *The History of the Qur'ānic Text* pg. 167, and *Studies in Early Hadīth Literature* 212, both by by Muṣṭafā A'ṭhamī. See also Introduction to *Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim*.

² *Studies in Early Hadīth Literature* pg. 213.

rhetoric], *Ṣarf* [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'ān to a lesser degree, since the Qur'ānic 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'ān 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.³

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

af once asked his teacher, Ā 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 ﷺ, 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 ﷺ."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

³ *Al-Nashr* Vol. 1 pg. 193.

⁴ *Ghāyah al-Nihāyah* Vol. 1 pg 348.

⁵ *Al-Kāmil* of Hudhālī pg. 42. *Ghāyah al-Ikhtisār* Vol. 1 pg. 19.

⁶ *Aḥāsīn al-Akhhbār* pg. 389.

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

“ amzah never read any *Qirā ah* from the Book of Allah except that he knew its chain of transmission.”⁷

Abū Ḥātim al-Sijistānī mentions:

“The first (person) in Basra to give attention to the different types of *Qirā āt* and its documentation, as well as to examine the anomalous (*Qirā āt*) and to investigate their *sanads*, was Hārūn ibn Mūsā al-A war. He was from amongst the *qurrā*.”⁸

These reports clarify how the Successors رضي الله عنه implemented the system of *isnād*. The Companions رضي الله عنهم 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 صلى الله عليه وسلم. Therefore, the *isnād* was first used during the time of the Companions رضي الله عنهم, although it may be said that it was hardly noticeable.

⁷ *Ghāyah al-Nihāyah* Vol. 1 pg. 263.

⁸ 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

وقال سفيان الثوري (ت 161 هـ): «الإِسْنَادُ سِلَاحُ الْمُؤْمِنِ، فَإِذَا لَمْ يَكُنْ مَعَهُ سِلَاحٌ فَبِأَيِّ شَيْءٍ يُعَاتِلُ؟»

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

قال عبدالله بن المبارك (ت 181 هـ): «الإِسْنَادُ مِنَ الدِّينِ، وَلَوْ لَا الإِسْنَادَ لَقَالَ مَنْ شَاءَ مَا شَاءَ»

Abd Allah ibn al-Mubāarak (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).”¹⁰

وقال أيضاً: «مَثَلُ الَّذِي يَطْلُبُ أَمْرَ دِينِهِ بِإِسْنَادٍ كَمَثَلِ الَّذِي يَرْتَقِي السَّطْحَ بِلَا سُلْمٍ»

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.”¹¹

وقال الإمام الشافعي (ت 204 هـ): «مَثَلُ الَّذِي يَطْلُبُ الْعِلْمَ بِإِسْنَادٍ، كَمَثَلِ حَاطِبٍ لَيْلٍ، يُجْمَلُ حُرْمَةً حَطَبٍ وَفِيهِ أَفْعَى وَهُوَ لَا يَدْرِي»

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.”¹²

قَالَ ابْنُ صَالِحٍ (ت 643 هـ): «الإِسْنَادُ خَصِيصَةٌ فَاضِلَةٌ مِنْ خَصَائِصِ هَذِهِ الْأُمَّةِ، وَسُنَّةٌ بِالْعَمَّةِ مِنَ السُّنَنِ الْمُؤَكَّدَةِ»

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

قَالَ ابْنُ الْجَزَرِيِّ (ت 833 هـ): «إِنَّ الإِسْنَادَ خَصِيصَةٌ لِهَذِهِ الْأُمَّةِ، وَسُنَّةٌ بِالْعَمَّةِ مِنَ السُّنَنِ الْمُؤَكَّدَةِ، وَطَلَبُ الْعُلُوِّ فِيهِ سُنَّةٌ مَرْعُوبٌ فِيهَا»

Ibn al-Jazarī (d. 1430 C.E.) mentions: “The isnād is most certainly peculiar to this nation (of Islam) and a key practice of the emphasised practices. Seeking the most elevated isnād is a desirable act.”¹⁴

⁹ *Siyar al-A'lam al-Nubalā'* Vol. 7 pg. 273.

¹⁰ Introduction of *Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim*.

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

¹² *Isnād min al-Dīn* by 'Abd al-Fattāḥ Abū Ghuddah, al-Bayhaqī in *Manāqib al-Shāfi'* Vol. 2 pg. 143.

¹³ *Tadrib al-Rāwī* Vol. 2 pg. 159.

¹⁴ *Al-Nashr* Vol. 1 pg. 198.

وَقَالَ ابْنُ حَجْرٍ الْعَسْقَلَانِيُّ (ت 852هـ): «الْأَسَانِيدُ أَنْسَابُ الْكُتُبِ»

Ibn ajar al- Asqalanī (d. 1448 C.E.) said: “The asānīd are the lineage of the books.”¹⁵

وَقَالَ ابْنُ حَجْرٍ الْهَيْتِيُّ (ت 974هـ): «لِكُونَ الْإِسْنَادِ يُعْلَمُ بِهِ الْمَوْضُوعُ مِنْ غَيْرِهِ كَأَنَّ مَعْرِفَتَهُ 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.”¹⁶

وَقَالَ الشَّيْخُ مُحَمَّدٌ مُرْتَضَى الزَّيْبِيدِيُّ فِي إِجَازَاتِهِ (ت 1205هـ): «تَبَّتْ عِنْدَ أَهْلِ هَذَا الْقَنْ أَنَّهُ لَا يَتَّصِلُ لِإِقْرَاءِ كُتُبِ السُّنَّةِ وَالْحَدِيثِ قِرَاءَةً وَدِرَايَةً، أَوْ تَبْرُكًا وَرِوَايَةً، إِلَّا مِنْ أَخْذِ أَسَانِيدِ تِلْكَ الْكُتُبِ عَنْ أَهْلِهَا، مِمَّنْ أَتَقَنَّ 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 ابْنُ رَجُحُونَ (ت 1263هـ): «كَانَ مِنْ سُنَّةِ عُلَمَاءِ الْحَدِيثِ طَلَبُ الْإِجَازَةِ فِي الْقَدِيمِ وَالْحَدِيثِ، حِرْصًا عَلَى بَقَاءِ الْإِسْنَادِ، وَمُحَافَظَةٍ عَلَى الشَّرِيعَةِ الْغَرَاءِ إِلَى يَوْمِ التَّنَادِ، وَهِيَ الَّتِي نُسِيَتْ بِهَذِهِ 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 sharīah until the Day of Resurrection. It is this which has been forgotten in present times.”¹⁸

وَذَكَرَ الشَّيْخُ عَبْدُ الْحَيِّ الْكَتَّانِيُّ (ت 1382هـ) فِي مُقَدِّمَةِ فِهْرَسِ الْفَهَارِسِ: «وَقَالَ بَعْضُ الْعُلَمَاءِ فِي صَدْرِ ثَبَّتْ لَهُ: وَكَفَى الرَّاويِ الْمُتَنَتِّمْ فِي هَذِهِ السُّلْسِلَةِ شَرَفًا وَفَضْلًا وَجَلَالَةً وَنُبُلًا أَنْ يَكُونَ اسْمُهُ مُتَنَتِّمْ مَعَ اسْمِ الْمُصْطَفَى فِي طَرَسٍ 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

¹⁵ Introduction to *Fath al-Bārī*.

¹⁶ *Mu'jam al-Ma'ajim wa al-Mashikhāt* of Mar'ashli Vol. 1 pg. 14.

¹⁷ *Mu'jam al-Ma'ajim wa al-Mashikhāt* of Mar'ashli Vol. 1 pg. 14, *Fihras al-Fahāris* Vol. 1 pg. 67.

¹⁸ Ibid

narrator in this continuous chain to have his name linked to the name of the chosen one (Mu ammada ﷺ) on one sheet of paper.”¹⁹

وقال أيضا: «والله أكرم هذه الأمة بالإسناد، لم يُعْطِ لِأَحَدٍ عَبرَها، فَاحذَرُوا أَنْ تَسْلُكُوا مَسَلَكَ الْيَهُودِ وَالنَّصَارَى، فَتُحَدِّثُوا بِغَيْرِ إِسْنَادٍ، فَتَكُونُوا سَالِبِينَ نِعْمَةِ اللَّهِ عَنِ أَنْفُسِكُمْ، مُطَرِّقِينَ لِلتَّهْمَةِ إِلَيْكُمْ، خَافِضِينَ لِمَنْزِلَتِكُمْ، وَمُسْتَرِكِينَ مَعَ قَوْمٍ لَعَنَهُمُ اللَّهُ وَغَضِبَ عَلَيْهِمْ، وَرَاكِبِينَ لِسُنَنِهِمْ»

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 distinguished status, associate yourselves and travel the path of a people whom Allah has cursed and is angry with.”²⁰

وقال ابن سيرين (ت110هـ): «إِنَّ هَذَا الْعِلْمَ دِينٌ، فَانظُرُوا عَمَّنْ تَأْخُذُونَ دِينَكُمْ»

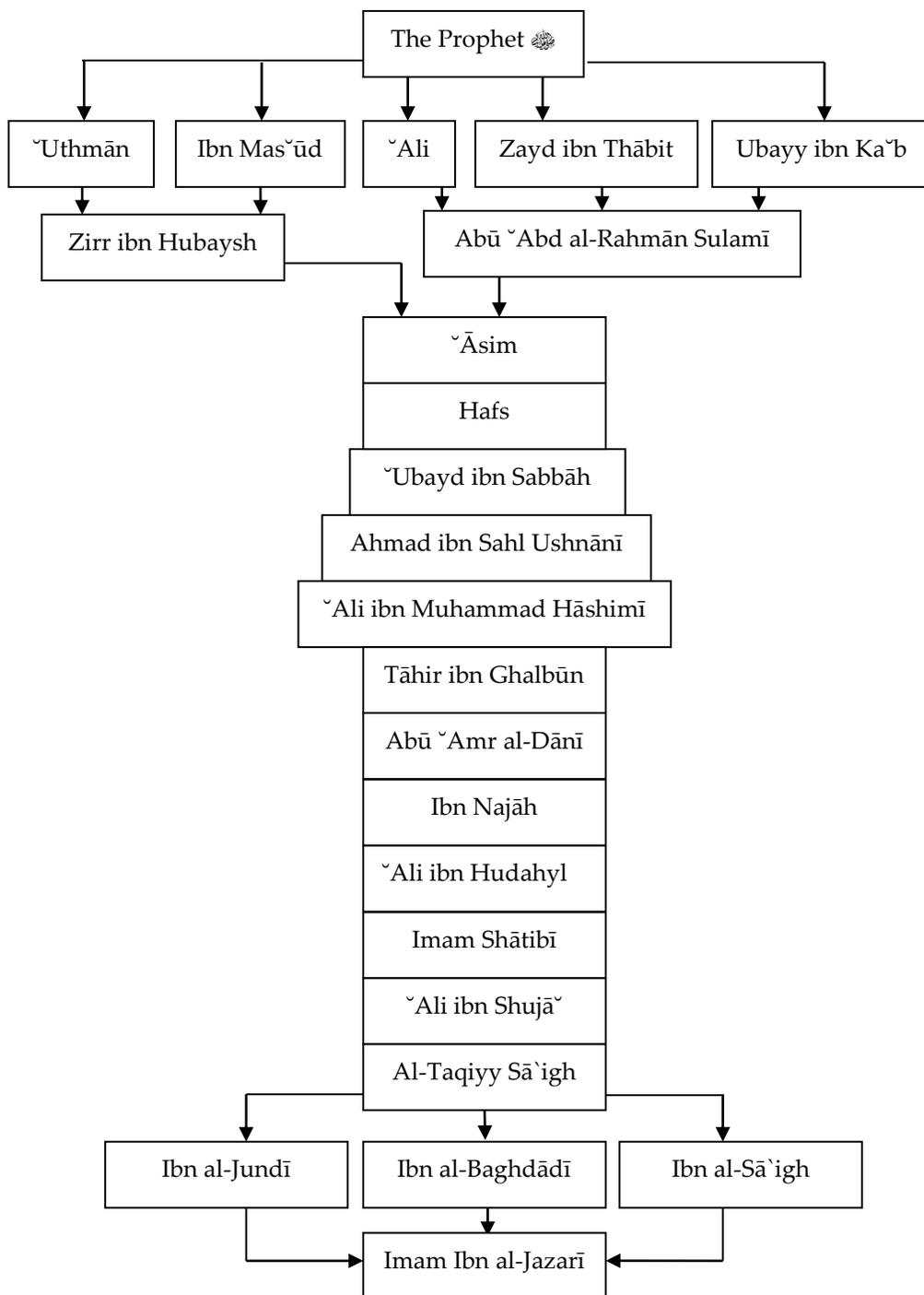
Ibn Sīrīn (d. 728 C.E.) said: “This knowledge (of religion) constitutes faith, so be wary of whom you acquire your knowledge from.”²¹

¹⁹ *Fihras al-Fahāris* Vol. 1 pg. 8.

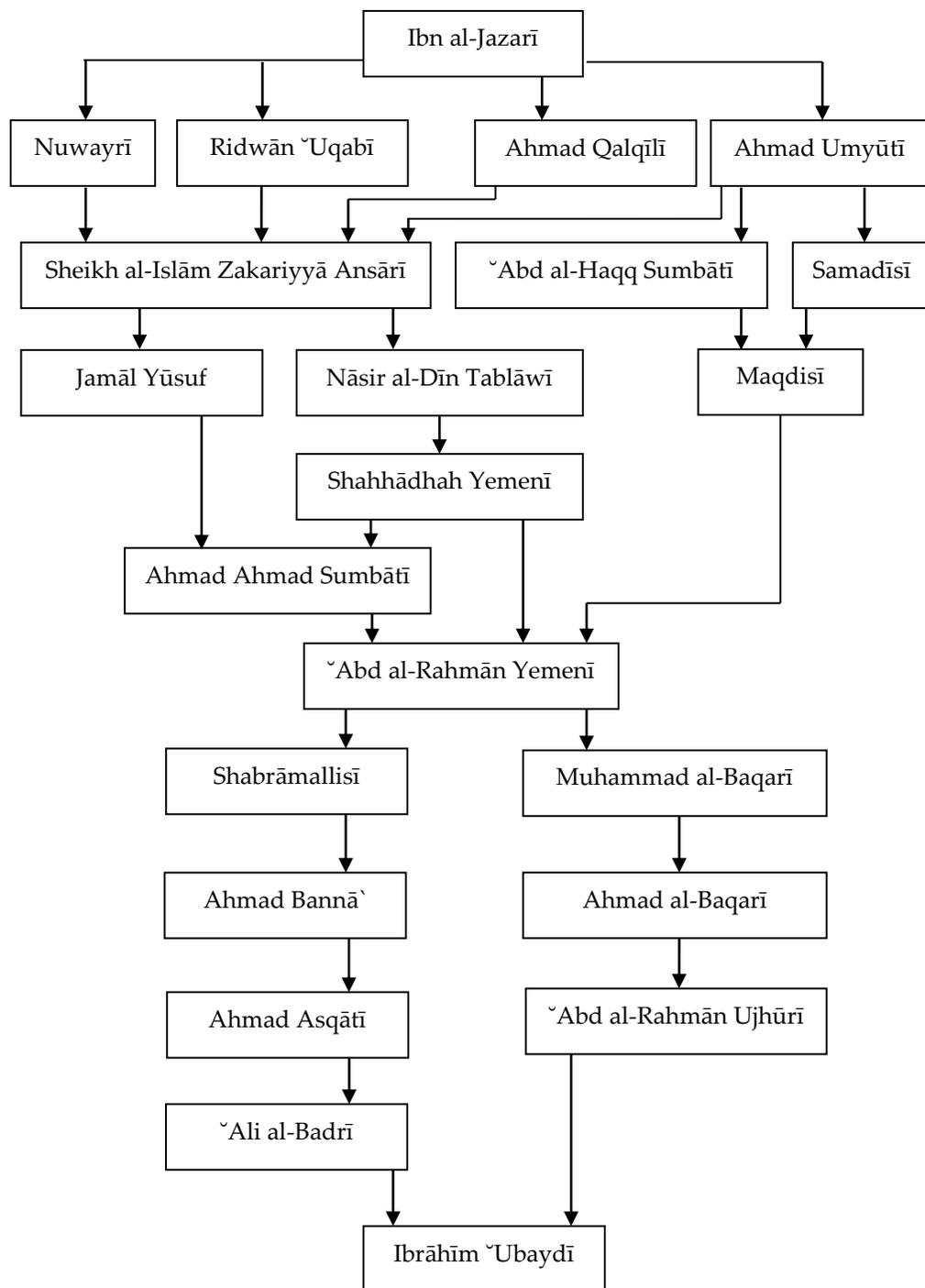
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²¹ Introduction to *Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim*.

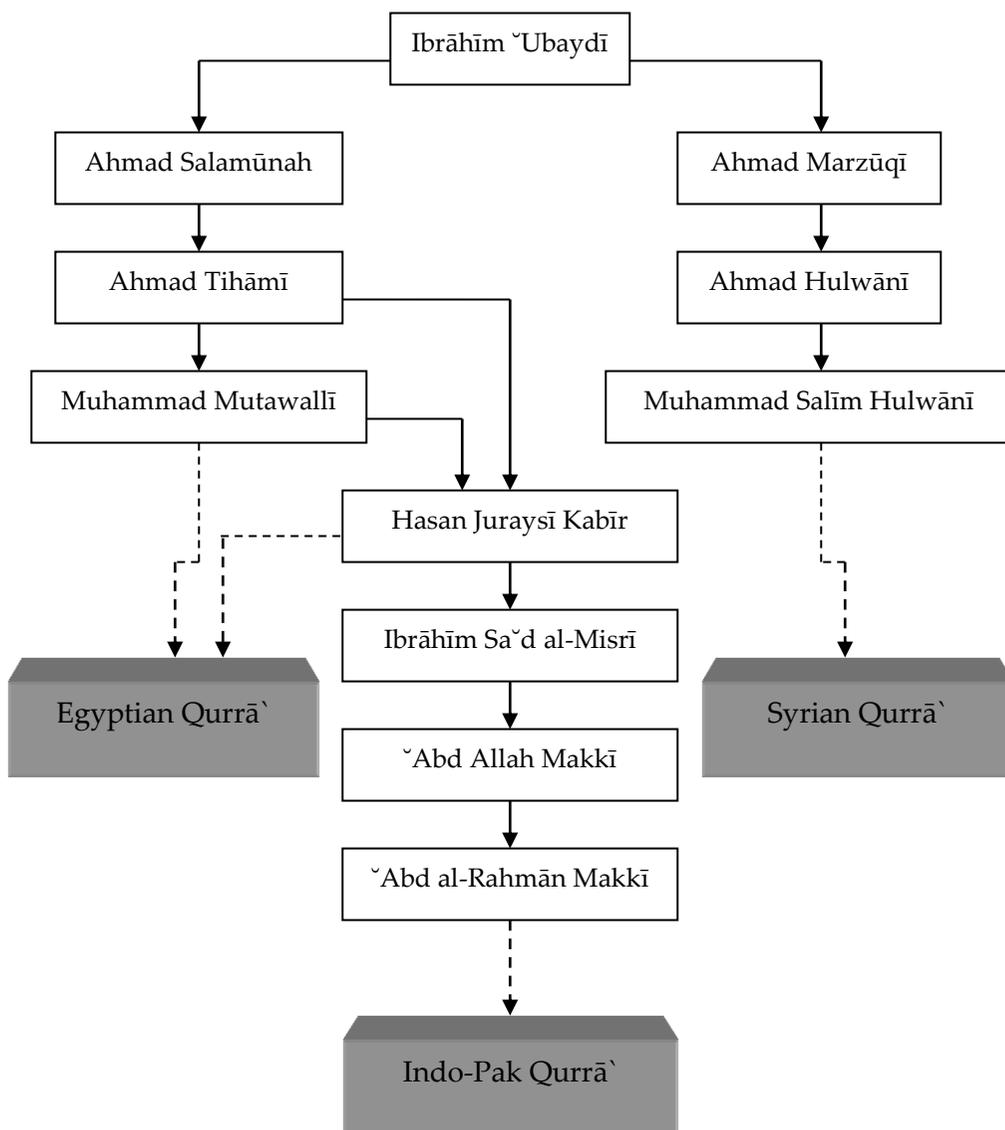
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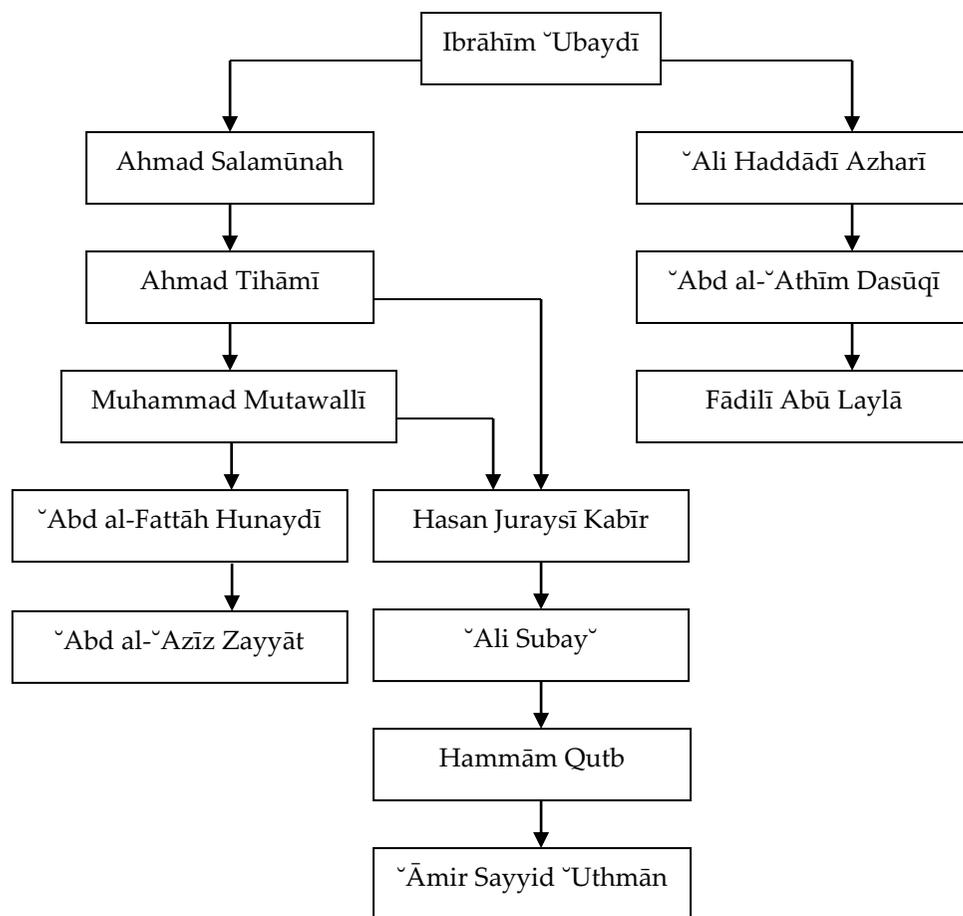


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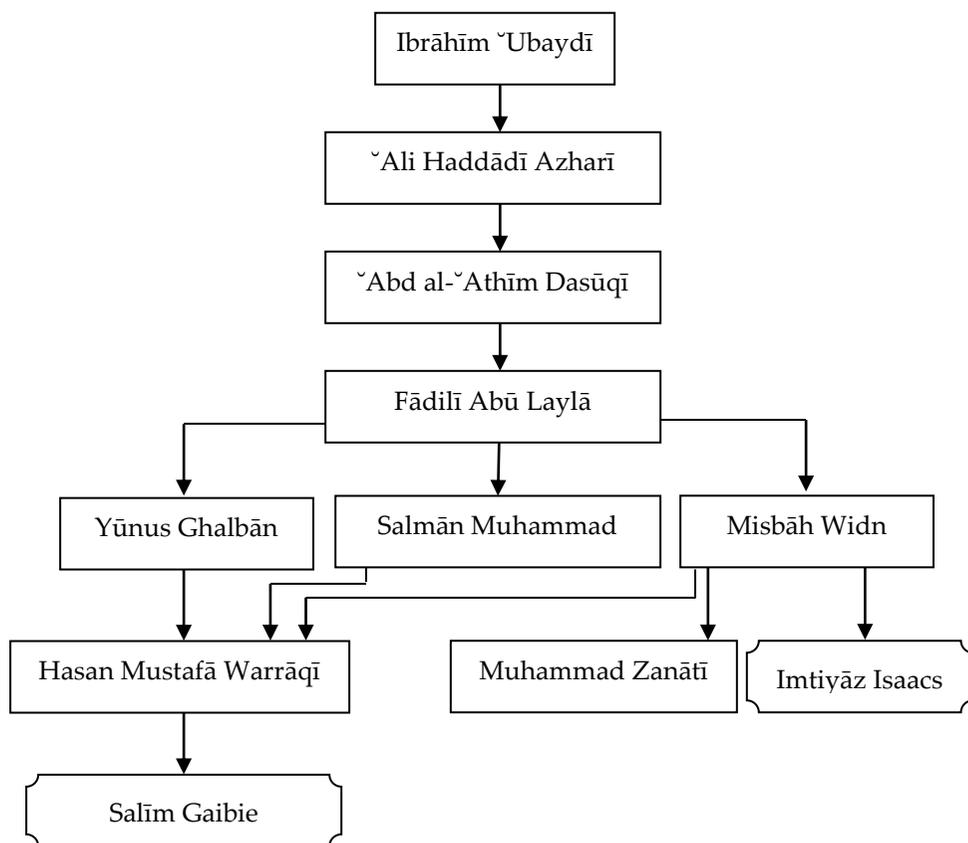
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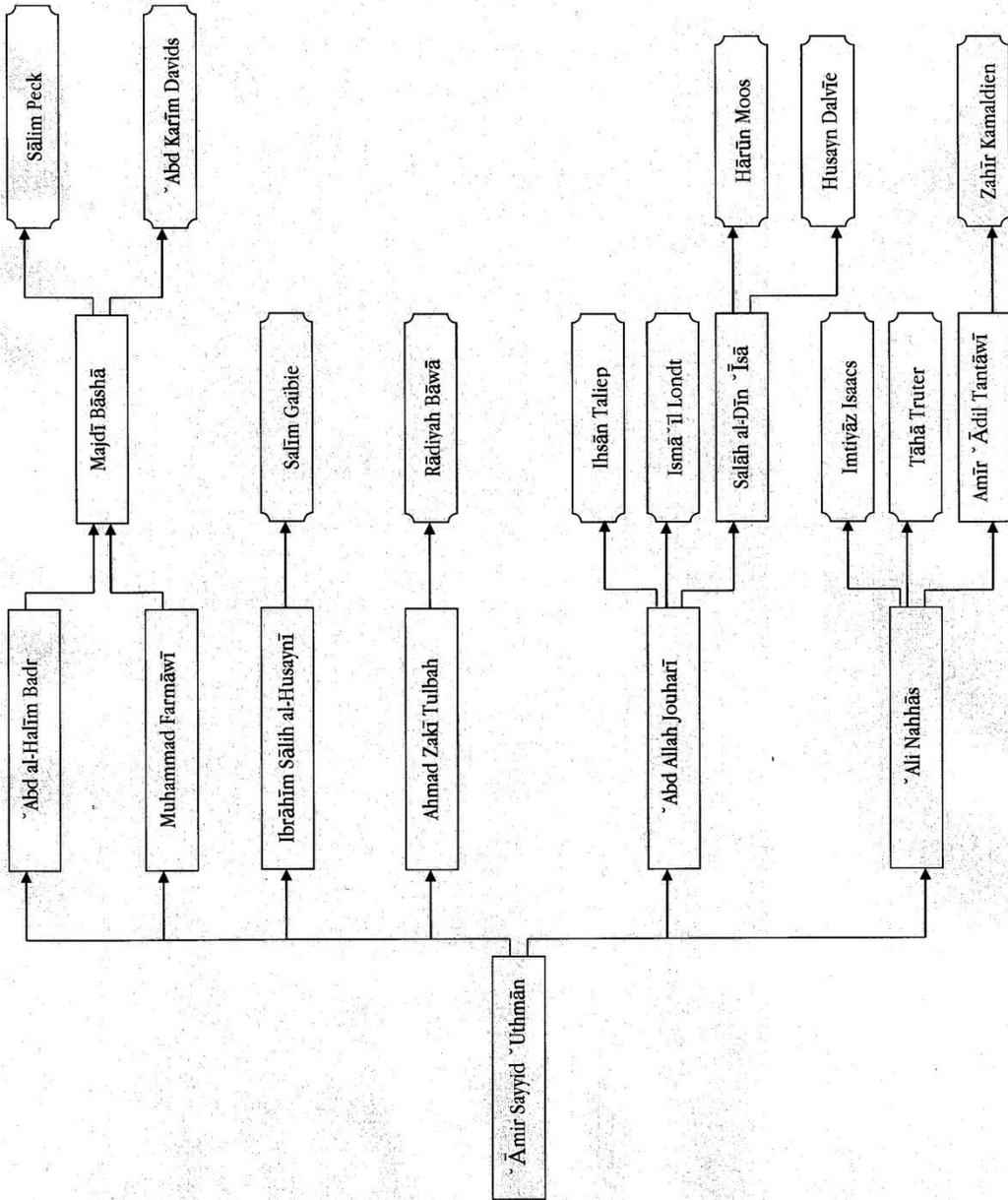
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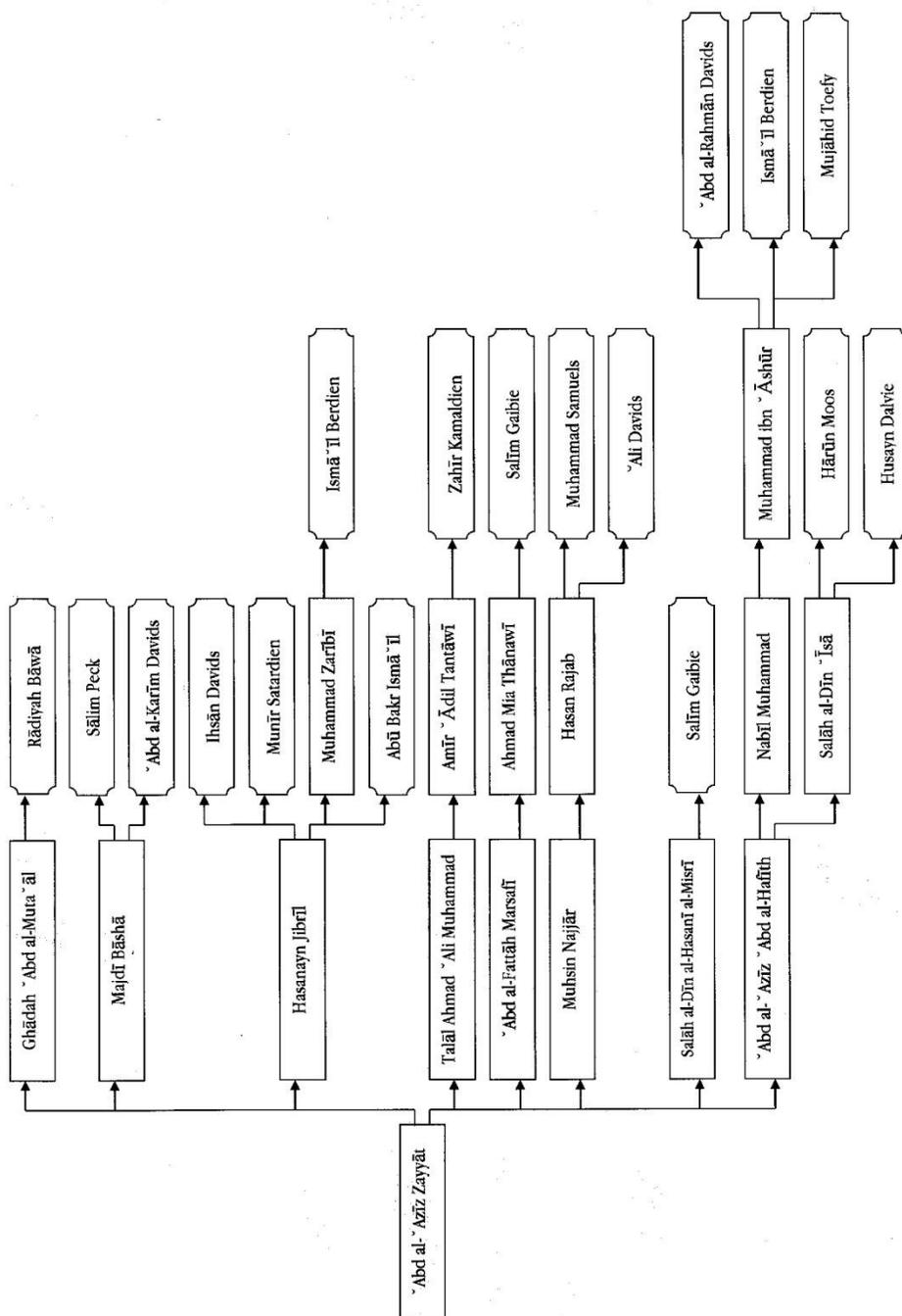
²² Ibrāhīm ʿUbaydī's *sanad* to Ibn al-Jazarī is indicated in the diagram on page 26, and Ibn al-Jazarī's *sanad* to the Prophet ﷺ is indicated on page 25.

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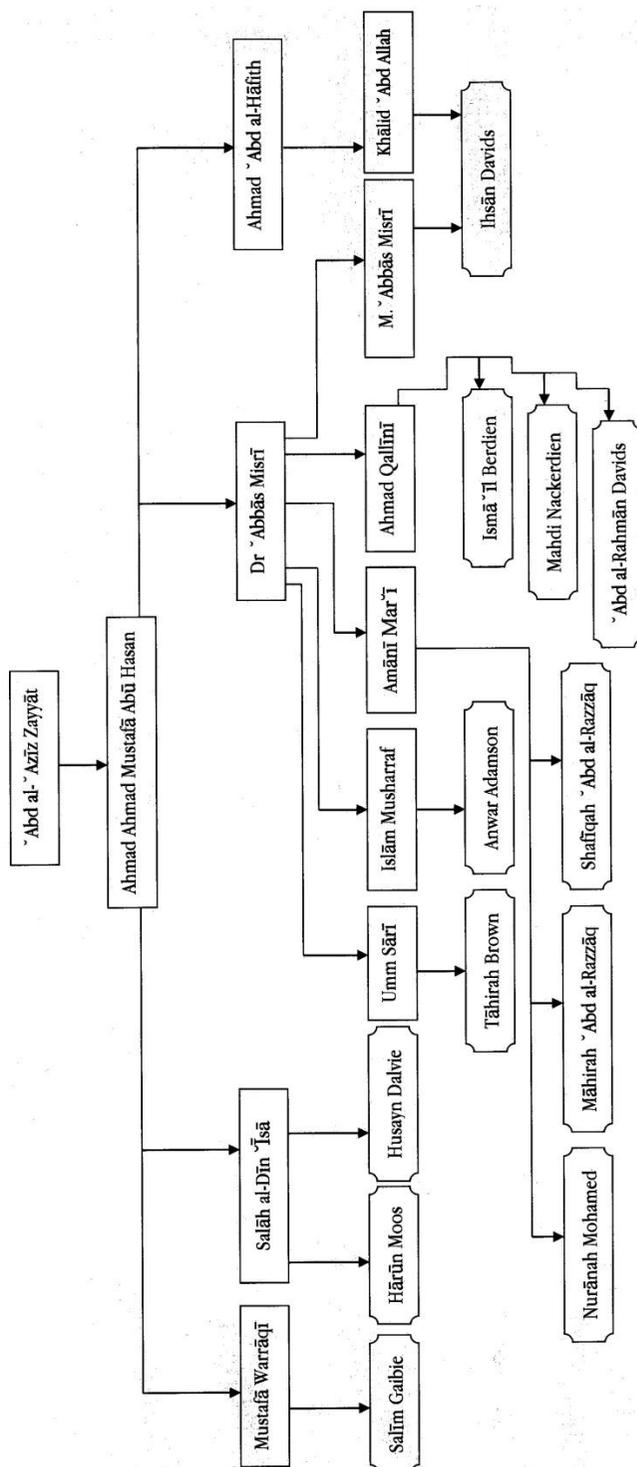
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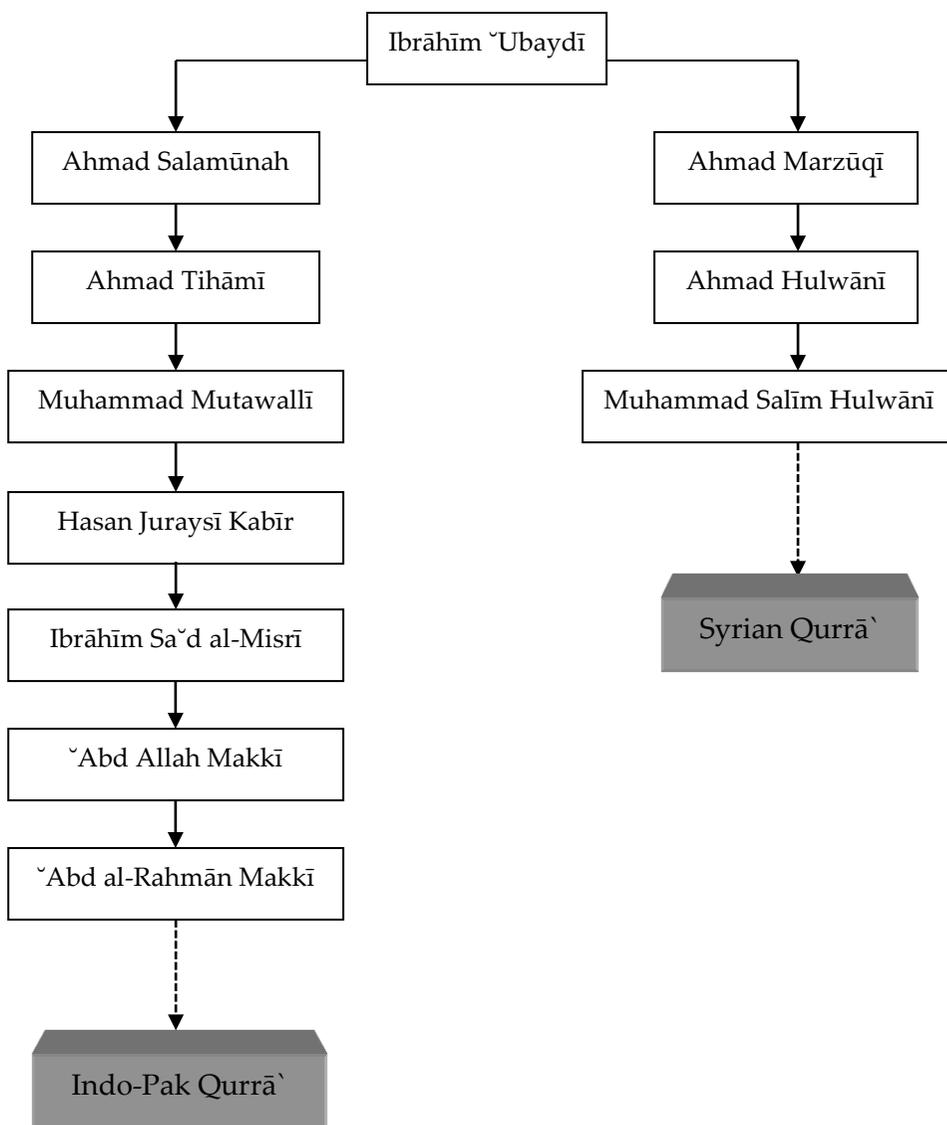


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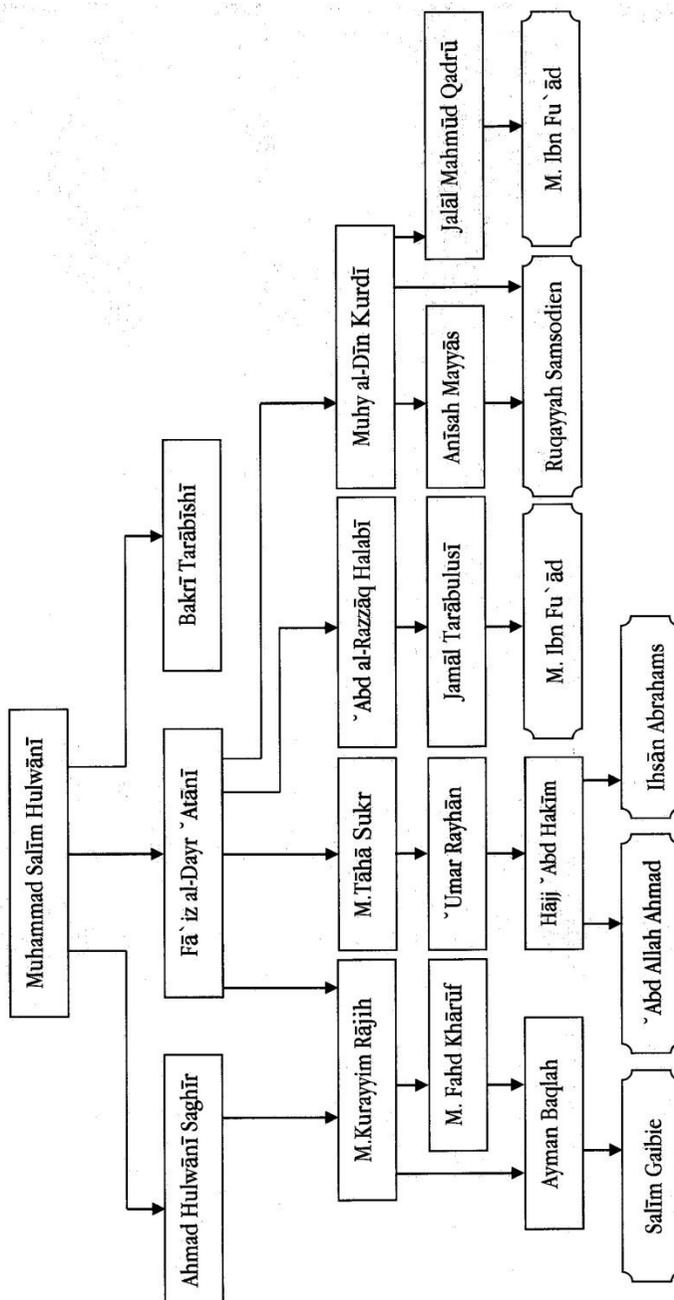
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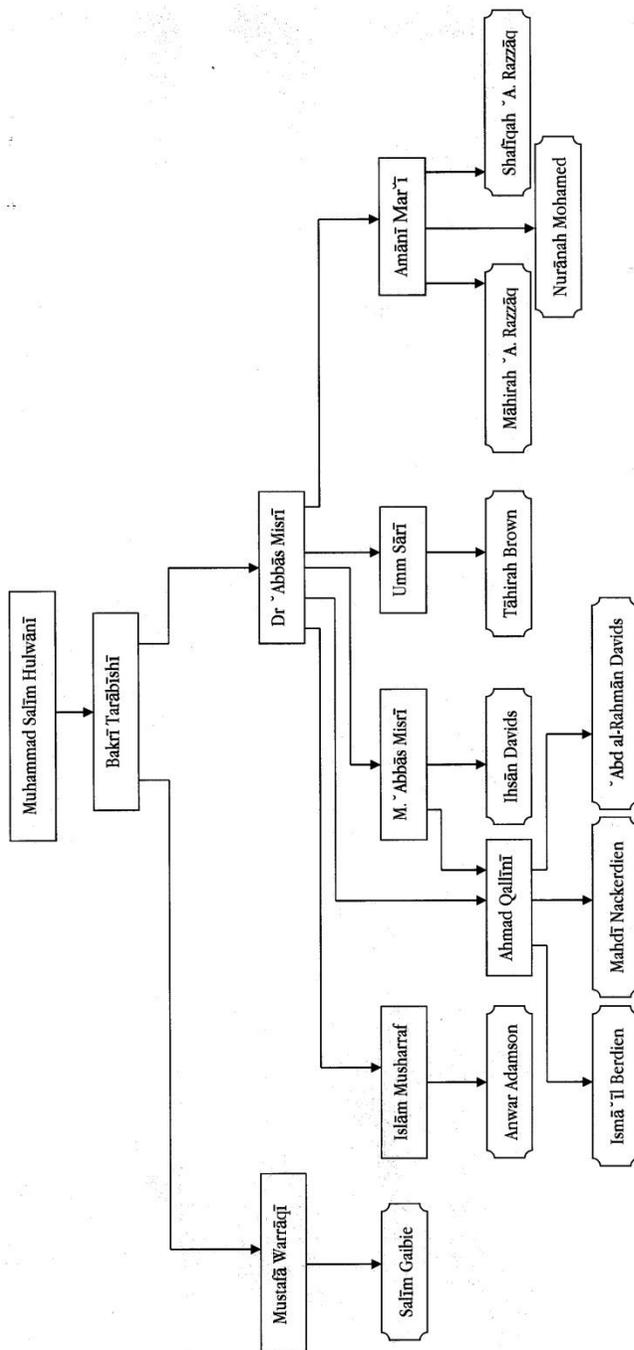


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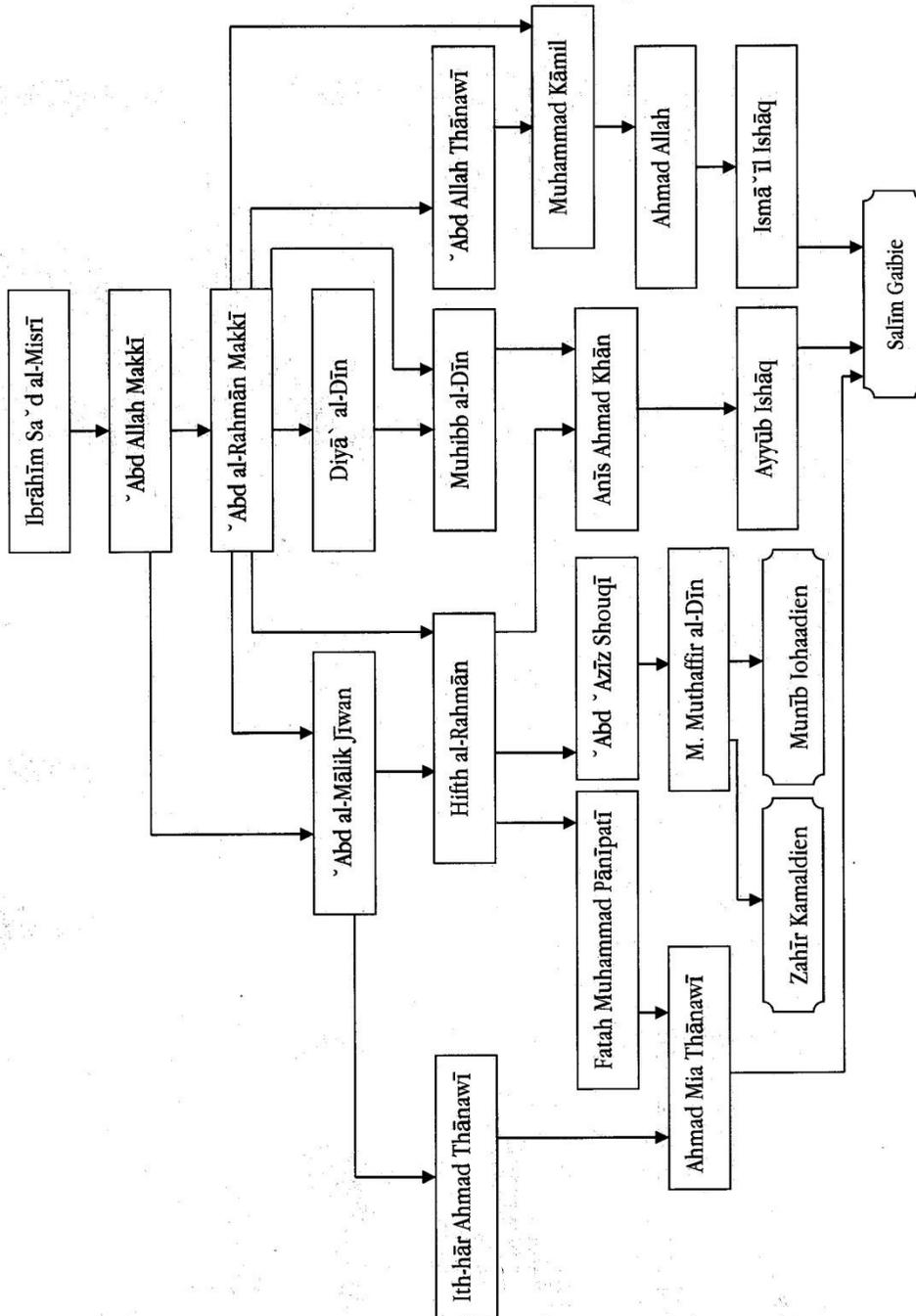
²⁵ Sheikh Muḥammad Salīm Ḥulwānī's *sanad* to Ibrāhīm 'Ubaydī is indicated in the diagram on page 33, and 'Ubaydī's *sanad* to Ibn al-Jazarī is on page 26. Ibn al-Jazarī's *sanad* to the Prophet ﷺ is indicated on page 25.

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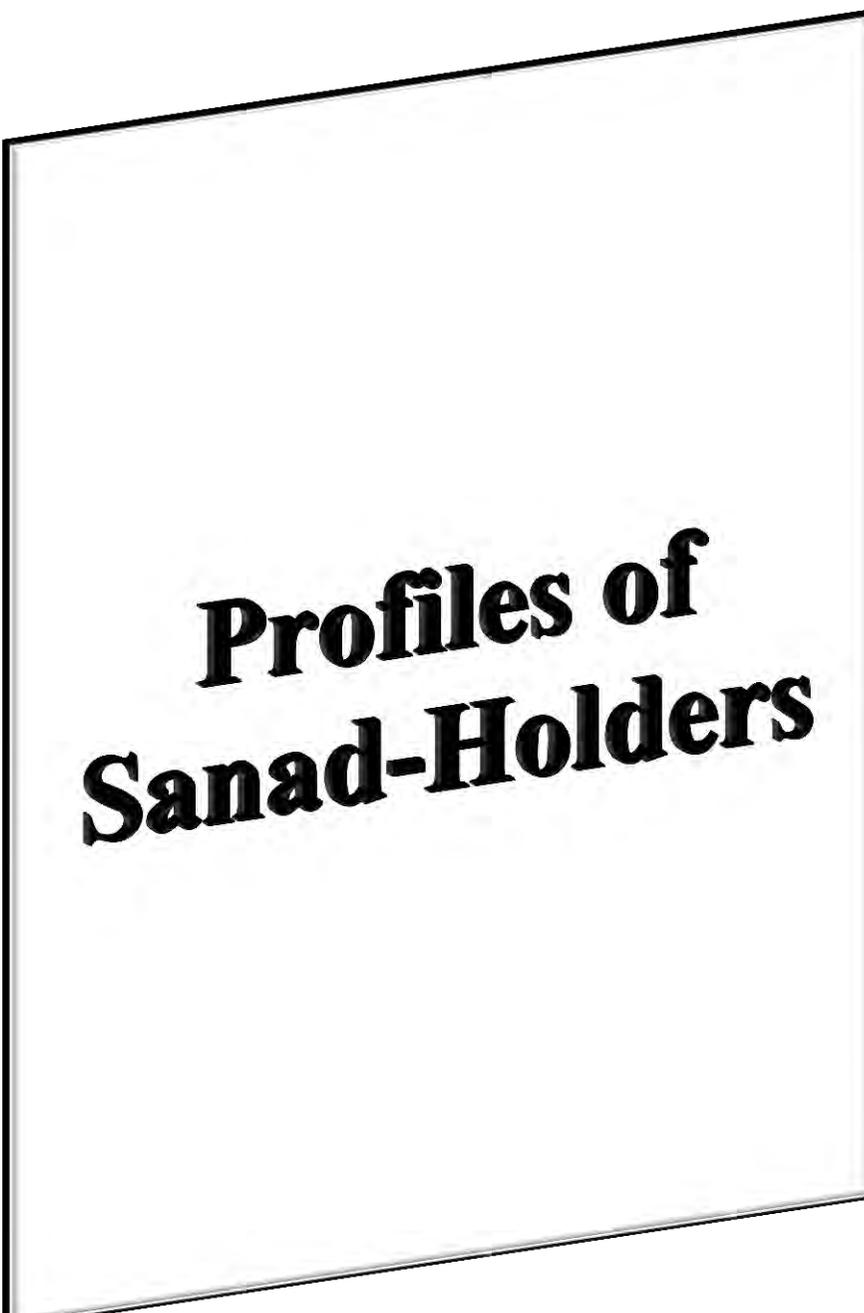


²⁶ Muḥammad Salīm Ḥulwānī's *sanad* to ʿUbaydī is on page 33. ʿUbaydī's *sanad* to Ibn al-Jazarī is on page 26 and Ibn al-Jazarī's *sanad* to the Prophet ﷺ is indicated on page 25.

LOCAL LINKS TO INDO-PAK QURRĀ²⁷



²⁷ Sheikh 'Abd al-Rahmān Makkī and Ibrāhīm Sa'd al-Misrī's *sanad* to Sheikh Mutawalli and Ibrāhīm 'Ubaydī is on page 33. 'Ubaydī's *sanad* to Ibn al-Jazari is on page 26 and Ibn al-Jazari's *sanad* to the Prophet ﷺ 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 Khadijah, Mu’allimah Ṣādiqah and Ustādh Taslīm Arendse.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Ismā’īl Berdien.
- Revised the Qur’ān with Ḥāfiṭh Riḍwān Ismail and Ḥāfiṭh Muntahā Kenny.
- Attended Tafalah Primary School.
- Also attended Portio Primary School.
- Also attended Vanguard Primary School.

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

Later Studies:

- Upon completing his *ḥifẓh*, he went 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'iyah 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'an caused him to enrol at Dār al-Na'im, Wynberg.

Qualifications:

- Completed his *ḥifẓ*.

He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

Teachers:

- Mu'allimah Ruqayyah – initially read the Qur'an to her.
- Mu'allimah Khadijah – initially read the Qur'an to her.
- Mu'allimah Ṣādiqah – initially read the Qur'an to her.
- Ustādh Taslīm Arendse – initially read the Qur'an to him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien – completed his first *khatm* by him. Also revised his Qur'an by him.
- Ḥāfiṭh Riḍwān Ismail – revised the Qur'an with him.
- Sheikh Shoukat 'Ali
- Sheikh Ziyād
- Sheikh Aslam
- Ḥāfiṭh Muntahā Kenny – revised the Qur'an with him.

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- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim, the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*.

Past and Current Activities:

- Taught at JEQ for a period of two years.
- Conducts private classes for students in Sherwood Park.
- Currently teaching at Sout al-Qur'ān which runs under the auspices of Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown.

Ḥāfiṭh 'Ādil hopes to start his own ḥifṭh School where he is able to give his students *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the Qur'ān, the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*.

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‘Ā’ishah Abrahams

Mu‘allimah ‘Ā’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 *ḥifẓ* by Mu‘allimah ‘Ā’ishah Ceres.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Mu‘allimah Zāhidah Majiet in 2008.
- Islamic courses:

2008 – Completed *ḥifẓ*.

2009 – Started studies at DQA’s Qurra’ Development Programme and completed module one and two.

2009 – Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the *Tuḥfah al-Aṭfal* of Sulaymān Jamzūrī.

2009 to 2010 – Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

2010 – Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the *Jazariyyah*, *Bahjah 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 Qurra’ 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 Qurra’ Development Programme.

2010 to 2011 – Completed two year Diploma of Higher Islamic learning at Dār al-Naʿīm.

2011 – Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the *Laʿālīʾ al-Bayān* of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdi 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 Qurʾān*, by Sheikha 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 ʿAbd al-Raḥmān Khan for the 40 Hadith of Mullā ʿAli al-Qārī on the Qurʾān.

2012 – Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from Qārī Ayyūb Iṣḥāq for the *Jazariyyah*.

2012 – Completed the *Qirāʾah* of Abū ʿAmr al-Basrī.

2013 – Completed the narration of Qālūn and the *Qirāʾah* of Abū Jaʿfar.

Qualifications:

- Completed the memorisation of the Qurʾān by Muʿallimah Zāhidah Majiet.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh ʿAbd al-Raḥmān Davids in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Tayyibah*.
 - 2) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 3) The *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl*.
 - 4) The *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāṭḥ* of Samannūdi.
 - 5) Text of Sheikh ʿĀmir in *qaṣr* of *munfaṣil* for Ḥafṣ.
 - 6) The *Qirāʾah* of Abū ʿAmr al-Basrī.
 - 7) The narration of Shuʿbah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 8) The narration of Qālūn via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 9) The *Qirāʾah* of Abū Jaʿfar via the *Durrah*.
 - 10) The *Qirāʾah* of Yaʿqūb 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 *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 4) *Al-La'ālī' al-Bayān* of Samannūdī.
 - 5) *Tajweed Rules of the Qur'ān* by Sheikha Kareema Czerepinski.
 - 6) *Faṭḥ al-Karīm al-Mannān* of ‘Ali al-Ḍabbā‘.

- Qāri Ayyūb Ishāq in:
 - 1) The *Jazariyyah*.

- Sheikh Aḥmad ibn Muḥammad Sa’d al-Ḥasanī (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.
 - 2) The *Jazariyyah*.
 - 3) The *Salsabīl al-Shāfi*.
 - 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'ālī' al-Bayān* of Samannūdī.
 - 2) *Ijāzah* for some of his written works (*munāwalah*).

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi‘ī (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 Ṣābūnī's written works.

Teachers:

- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres – started *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān by her.
- Mu'allimah Zāhidah Majiet – completed *ḥifẓ* 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-Hajj* and *Kitāb al-Ṣiyam*) by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Keraan – studied *Fiqh* (*Kitāb al-Ṭaharah*, *Kitāb al-Ṣalāh* and *Kitāb al-Janā'iz*), *Muṣṭalah al-Ḥadīth*, *Sīrah* and *Tarbiyah* by him.
- Moulana Muḥammad Carr – studied *Fiqh* (*Kitāb al-Bay'*, *Kitāb al-Nikāh*, *Kitāb al-Zakāh* and *Kitāb al-Jināyat*) by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – studied the *Jazariyyah*, *La'ali' al-Bayān*, *Salsabīl al-Shāfi'*, *Uṣūl al-Qirā'āt*, and the textbooks of Sheikha Kareema Carol Czerepinski – *Tajwid rules of the Quran* – by him. She also memorised the *Shātibiyah* 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 *Shātibiyah*, 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*, *Bahjah al-Luḥḥaṭh*, the text of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān and *Touḍīḥ al-Ma'ālim li Ṭuruq Ḥafṣ* by him.
- Sheikh Isma'īl Londt – studied *Ṣarf* and *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* by him. Completed the *uṣūl* of the *Shātibiyah* 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-Ṭaharah*, *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 *ṭarīq* 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 Ishāq – 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‘ālī’ 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-Shāfi‘ī – read sections from *al-Tibyān fī ‘Ulūm al-Qur’ān* and *Ṣafwah 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.

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.

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- Rāḍiyah Bawa – completed the *Qirā'ah* of Abū 'Amr Basri by her and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for it.
- Anīсах Jabār – currently reading the narration of Ḥafṣ to her, as well as studying the Seven *Qirā'āt* and the *Shātibiyyah* 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 Dāral-Na'īm.
- Completed ten modules at the DQA's Qurrā' Development Programme.
- Had online classes teaching the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*.
- Currently doing her third year at Dār al-Na'īm.
- Currently assists in teaching *Tajwīd* and *Qirā'āt* at al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences.

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‘Ā’ishah Ceres²⁸

She received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Ismā‘īl Londt (South Africa) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Mu‘addil.

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²⁸ 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 *ijāzah*.

‘Abd Allah Aḥmad²⁹

He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh ‘Abd al-Ḥakīm ‘Uthmān Ḥājj (Syria) in:
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²⁹ 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 *ḥifẓ* before sending him for his secular studies.

Higher Education:

- Completed his *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids.

He completed his *ḥifẓ* at Jam'iyyah al-Qurrā' (JEQ) by the age of 11 years. Sheikh 'Abd 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 *ḥifẓ*. This was extremely challenging and particularly demanding. Ironically, this when he truly 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 *ḥifẓ* 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 *Tayyibah*.
 - 2) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
 - 3) The *Jazariyyah*.
 - 4) *Al-Salsabil al-Shāfi*.

- Sheikh 'Ali ibn Muḥammad Toufīq al-Naḥḥās (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibīyyah*.
 - 2) *Ijāzah 'Āmmah* for all his books and transmissions.

- Sheikh 'Ali al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The *Qirā'ah* of Ḥamzah via the *Shātibīyyah*.

- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibīyyah*.
 - 2) The narration of Qālūn via the *Shātibīyyah*
 - 3) The narration of Warsh via the *Shātibīyyah*.
 - 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 Maṣjid.

- 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 *Shātibīyyah* 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

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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 *ḥifẓ* under Sheikh Hāfith Yūsuf Gabier.
- In 1984 his father enrolled him at Jam'iyah al-Qurrā' (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 1988. 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 *Shātibiyah* and the *Durrah*.

Qualifications:

- Bcom Honours (2001) – University of Western Cape.
- MCom (2004) – University of Western Cape.
- PhD (2014) – University of Stellenbosch.

- Completed his *ḥifṭh*.

He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Sālim Peck in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibiyah*.

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 *ḥifṭh* by Sheikh Booley and ultimately completed by him as well.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn Sayyidī Muḥammad Muḥammad Al-Amīn – studied by him in the Faculty of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Sheikh Yusuf Muhamad Shafi – studied by him in the Faculty of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.
- 'Abd Allah al-Amīn al-Shinqīṭī – studied *Tafsīr* by him in the Faculty of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.

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- Sheikh Hikmat Bashier Yasin – studied *Tafsīr* by him in the Faculty of Qur'ān at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Sheikh Bashīr Aḥmad Şiddīq – recited more than a *juz* to him in the narration of Qālūn in the Haram of Medina.
- Sheikh Sālim Peck – recited the narration of Ḥafş 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 Ḥafş 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: Ḥalimah

Father's name: Riḍwān

Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur’ān by Mu‘allimah Ḥawwā’ and Sheikh Fu’ād Gabier.
- Started *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh ‘Abd Allah Awaldien.
- Completed and revised the Qur’ān by Moulana Yūnus Essop.

Later studies:

- Completed two years at Dār al-‘Ulūm Zakariyyā in Gauteng, studying Arabic and basic *Tajwīd* under Qāri Ayyūb Ishāq.
- Completed three years at Dār al-Na‘īm, Wynberg, which runs under the auspices of Moulana ‘Ali Goder.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* of the Qur’ān.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi‘ī (Malawi) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
 - 2) The narration of Shu‘bah via the *Shātibiyah*.
 - 3) The poem of ‘Āmir ‘Uthmān for the *Rouḍah*.
 - 4) The *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāṭh*.
 - 5) The poem of Sa‘īd ‘Abd Allah on the *ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ*.

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 *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Essop – completed *ḥifẓ* 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 *Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth* and the *Jāmi'* of Imam al-Tirmidhī by him.
- Moulana Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi'ī – completed a *khatm* by him via the *turuq* of the *Ṭayyibah* and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.
- Moulana Zahīr Parker – studied Hadith by him.
- Qāri Ayyūb Ishāq – studied basic *Tajwīd* by him.
- Qāri Ṣāliḥ Peck – practical implementation of *Tajwīd* rules.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – studying *Tajwīd* and currently reading a *khatm* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ. Also studying various books by him.
- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan – studied *Fiqh* and *Mughnī al-Muḥtāj* by him.
- Moulana Anwār 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.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Saloojie – studied *'Aqīdah* by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Moola – studied *Sīrah* by him.
- Qāri Zaid Haspatel – studied Arabic by him.

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- 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 *Mirāth* by him.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor – studying the *Sunan* of Abū Dāwūd and the *Tafsīr* of Ibn Kathīr by him.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Ali – studying *Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth* by him.
- Moulana Irshād Sedick – studying *Fiqh* and *Manāhil al-'Irfān* in *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān* by him.
- Moulana Ṭāriq – studying Islamic history by him.

Past and Current activities:

- Previously lectured at Dār al-Turāth al-Islāmī (DTI).
- Previously a teacher at Madrasah al-Falāḥ in Walmer Estate.
- Also a teacher of *Tajwīd* and *Tafsīr* at Dār al-Anwār in Salt River.
- Previously lectured at the Qurra' Development Program.
- One of the imams at the Muḥammadiyyah Masjid in Salt River.
- Currently in the fourth year at Dār al-'Ulūm al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand, which runs under the guidance of Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan.
- Currently reading the narration of Ḥafṣ to Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
- Currently reading the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'i to Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan.

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‘Abd Allah Petersen

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Father's name: Muḥammad Salie Petersen

Early studies:

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

Later studies:

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

Qualifications:

- Completed *hifḥ* of the Qur’ān.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh ‘Abd al-Raḥman Davids in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Hafith Naṭḥīr Majiet in:
 - 1) The *Qirā’ah* of Kisā’ī.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
 - 1) The *Jazariyyah*.

- 2) *Tajweed Rules of the Qur'ān* by Sheikha Kareema Czerepinski.
- 3) *Fath al-Karīm* of Sheikh Ḍabbā'

- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- Qāri Ayyūb Iṣḥāq 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*, *La'ālī' al-Bayān* of Samannūdī, *Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfi* of 'Uthmān Murād and the *uṣūl* of the Seven *Qirā'āt* by him. Currently reading the Seven *Qirā'āt* to him.
- Qāri Ayyūb Iṣḥāq – 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 'Alī 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.

Past and Current activities:

- Completed all 10 modules of the Qurrā' Development Program.
- Teaches full-time *ḥifḥ* at Ibn al-Jazarī Institute.
- Teaches part-time *ḥifḥ* at Dār Ubay.
- Currently a student at al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences where he is reciting the Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shātibiyah*.

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'Abd Allah Taliep

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Father's name: Ni'mah Allah Taliep

Early studies:

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

Later studies:

- Completed *ḥifẓh* in May 2006.
- Completed the 1st year at Dār al-Na'im, Wynberg, which runs under the auspices of Moulana 'Ali Goder.
- Completed module two at the Qur'ān 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 *ḥifẓh* 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 Mu'addil.
- 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 *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- 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 Ismā‘īl Londt – studied *maqāmāt* by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – received *ijāzah* from him in the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.

Past and Current activities:

- Taught *ḥifṭh*.

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'Abd Malik De Vries³⁰

He received *sanad* and *ijazah* from:

- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Abd al-Karīm Davids in:
 - 1) Ḥafṣ via the *Miṣbāḥ*.

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³⁰ Hafith 'Abd al-Malik 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 al-Raḥmān Matieb Davids

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

Father's name: Muḥammad Zakiyy Davids ibn Muḥammad Amīn ibn Sheikh Ṣāliḥ Ṣālim 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 *ḥifẓ* by Imam Āmin Johar, completing from *Sūrah al-Muzzammīl* to *Sūrah al-Nās*.

Higher studies:

- In April 1996 he went to Dār al-‘Ulūm Zakariyyā.
- Started *ḥifẓ* by Ḥāfiṭḥ Muḥammad Vayed, completing approximately three *juz*.
- Continued *ḥifẓ* 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 Ishāq and Qāri Rashīd Dhabelia.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Ḥāfiṭh Ibrāhīm Bhamjee.

Received *sanad* and *ijazah* from:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi'ī (Malawi) in:
 - 1) Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.
 - 2) 'Āṣim via the *Shātibiyah*.
- 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 *Shātibiyah*.
 - 3) Ibn Kathīr via the *Shātibiyah*.
 - 4) Ibn 'Āmir via the *Shātibiyah*.
 - 5) 'Āṣim via the *Shātibiyah*.
 - 6) Abū Ja'far via the *Durrah*.
 - 7) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
 - 8) The *Jazariyyah*.
 - 9) *Touḍīḥ al-Ma'ālim* of Dr 'Ali al-Naḥḥās.
 - 10) *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāṭh* of Samannūdī.
 - 11) *Matn* of Sheikh 'Āmir Sayyid 'Uthmān.
 - 12) *Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān* by Sheikah Kareema Czerepinksi.
- Sheikh Ibn 'Ashūr (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The narration of Qālūn via the *Shātibiyah*.
 - 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 Ḥafṣ 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*.

- Ḥāfiṭh 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.
- Mu'allim 'Abd al-Salām – completed his first *khatm* by him.
- Imam Āmin Johar – started *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Ḥāfiṭh Muḥammad Vayed – completed memorisation of three *juz* by him.
- Ḥāfiṭh Ibrāhīm Bhamjee – completed his memorisation of the Qur'ān by him.
- Qāri Rashīd Dhabelia – studied the basics of *Tajwīd*.
- Qāri Ayyūb Ishāq – 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 *Shātibiyah*.
- 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 *Shātibiyah*, the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos – read various narrations and *qirā'at* to him.

Students:

- 'Ā'ishah Abrahams – completed the narrations of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibiyah* 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 *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāth* and the text of Sheikh 'Āmir by him.
- Wardah Mohamed – completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibiyah*, 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.
- Ḥāfiṭh I'jāz Mukaddam – completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*, the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shātibiyah*, the narration of Qālūn via the *Shātibiyah*, the *Qirā'ah* of Ibn 'Āmir al-Shāmī via the *Shātibiyah*, the *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far via the *Durrah*, the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūri, the *Jazariyyah*, *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāth* of Samannūdī, the text for *qaṣr* of 'Āmir al-Sayyid 'Uthmān.

- Sājidah Abrahams – completed her *khatm* of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* to the Sheikh. Currently read a *khatm* via the *Miṣbāḥ* and the *Rouḍah* of Mu‘addil to him.
- Muḥammad Nūr Fester – completed his *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.
- Muḥammad Nabīl Slamdien – completed his *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.
- Kauthar Karriem – completed her *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.

Past and current activities:

- Started his own *madrasah* – Dār al-Muṣḥāf – in Lotus River at Masjid al-Miḥrāb in 2001.
- He was the principle of *madrasahs*: Dār al-Muṣḥāf, 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 Mabruk 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, *ḥifṭh* and *Qirā’āt* situated at Masjid al-Miḥrāb, 7th Avenue, Lotus River.

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The Sheikh currently stays in Schaapkraal.

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‘Abd al-Raḥmān Khān

Mother's name: Wasīlah

Father's name: Jumāannah

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 *hifḥ* by Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamin.
- Completed *hifḥ* by Sheikh Ismā‘īl 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 *hifḥ* by Sheikh Ismā‘īl Londt.
- Completed the six year ‘Ālim course at DUAI.

Moulana ‘Abd al-Raḥmān received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi‘ī (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 Ṭāhā Karaan, Moulana Yūsuf Karaan, Sheikh Muḥammad Amīn Fakier, Moulana ‘Alā’ al-Dīn al-Afghānī, Moulana Faḍl al-Raḥmān al-A‘ṭhamī and Moulana Ismā‘īl ‘Ali. The international scholars include Sayyidī al-Ḥabīb ‘Umar

ibn Ḥafīṭh, al-Ḥabīb Sālīm al-Shāṭirī, al-Ḥabīb 'Alī Mash-hūr ibn Ḥafīṭh, al-Ḥabīb Abū Bakr Mash-hūr al-'Adnī, Sheikh Muḥammad 'Awwāmah, Sayyid Sharīf Sanūsī, Moulana 'Abd al-Ḥafīṭh al-Makkī, Sheikh Maḥmūd Sa'īd Mamdūh, Sheikh Muḥammad Akram al-Nadwī, among others. These *ijāzāt* received by Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān links him to all major Hadith sources. It would also link him to books of *Tafsīr*, *Fiqh*, *Uṣūl*, *Tajwīd*, *Qirā'āt* as well as other Islamic sciences.

Teachers:

In the Qur'ān:

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – completed the study of the *Shāṭibiyyah* with him and currently reciting the Seven *Qirā'āt* to him. Also studied *Tajwīd* with him, including the *Jazariyyah*.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt – completed *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān by him and currently reciting the narration of Ḥafṣ 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-Shāfi'ī – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī from him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander – reciting the *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far to him.
- Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamin – started *ḥifẓ* 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'adh 'Alī – 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 Dār al-Na'īm, Wynberg, which runs under the auspices of Moulana 'Ali Gouda.
- Also forms part of the research faculty at DUAJ.
- Reciting the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* to Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt.
- Reciting the *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far to Sheikh Muḥammad Philander.
- Also reciting the Seven *Qirā'āt* to Sheikh Salīm Gaibie.
- Conducts various classes in the fields of *Fiqh* and Hadith.
- Currently the imam at the Masjid al-Rahman, in Garlandale.
- Founder and rector of Dār al-Turāth al-Islāmī (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 Madrasah al-Ischrāq, 5th 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. Ḥāfiṭh 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 Ḥāfiṭh 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 Ḥāfiṭh Dr Riḍwān Ismail.

2002 - he was admitted at Madrassah Ta'lim al-Dīn in Lenasia, Gauteng, run by (the late) Ḥāfiṭh Abd al-Raḥmān Ebrahim Mia who was 90 years of age at the time. Here he completed the memorisation of the Qur'ān at the hands of Ḥāfiṭh Abd al-Raḥmān Mia and read an additional 8 *khatms* to him. He also read 20 *juz* to (the late) Ḥāfiṭh Mūsā Takolia, 13 *khatms* to Moulana Muḥammad Ebrahim Mia (eldest son of Ḥāfiṭh Abd al-Raḥmān Mia) and 5 *juz* to Ḥāfiṭh Muḥammed Shafiq Haffejee. Both Ḥāfiṭh Abd al-Raḥmān and Ḥāfiṭh 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 Faḍil course. Among the subjects he studied here were Urdu, Arabic, Farsi, *Aqīdah*, *Fiqh*, Qur’ān translation, *Tafsīr*, 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 ‘ammah* in the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī from Sheikh Ismā‘īl Londt.

Qualifications:

- Graduated from Madrasah al-Ishrāq in 1997.
- Matriculated at Bridgetown High School in 1999.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* at Madrassah Ta‘līm 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*.
- Sheikh Ismā‘īl Londt in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.

Teachers:

- Mu‘allim Ibrāhīm Kenny (father) – informal basic teachings of Islam.
- Mu‘allimah Maryam (mother) – informal basic teachings of Islam.

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- Laṭīfah Benjamin (maternal aunt) – did Qur'ān recitation, *Fiqh*, *Touḥīd*, Islamic History, *Akhḫāq* and practical *Ṣalāh* by her.

Madrasah al-Isḥrāq –

- 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'allimah Yusuf Waghied (now professor of Stellenbosch University/principal)
- Mu'allim Muḥsin Hendricks (grade 6 teacher, 1996)
- Mu'allim Shabodien (temporary principal)
- Mu'allim Muḥammad
- Sheikh Dīn Molte (Sunday youth class teacher 1997)
- Boeta Kamaal Karriem (chairman)

Dār al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā –

- Mufti Riḍā' 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 second half of the *Sunan* of Ibn Mājah, the *Sunan* of Nasā'ī, *Mukhtaṣar al-Maqāṣid al-Ḥasanah* by him. Received *ijāzah* in Ḥadīth from him.
- Mufti Muḥammed 'Ali – studied Arabic, *Mantiq*, the first volume one *Hidāyah*, the volume one of the *Jāmi'* of Tirmidhī. Received *ijāzah* in Ḥadīth from him.

- Moulana Shabīr Saloojee (principal) – studied the first half of *Mishkāh al-Maṣābīh*, the second half of the *Ṣaḥīḥ* of Bukhārī by him. He received *ijāzah* in Ḥadīth from him.
- Moulana ‘Alā’ al-Dīn – studied Arabic and *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Chocksi – studied *Ṣarf*, the 40 Ḥadīth of Imam Nawawī, *Uṣūl al-Shāsi*, the first volume of *al-Hidāyah*, volume one of the *Ṣaḥīḥ* of Muslim, the *Muwatta’* of Imam Mālik and the *Muwatta’* 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-Taḥāwī*, *Sharḥ Aqā'id al-Nasafiyyah* and the *Sunan* of Abū Dāwūd by him. Received *ijāzah* in Ḥadīth from him.
- Qāri Ayyūb Ishāq – studied *Tashīl al-Tajwīd*, *Fawā'id Makkiyyah*, the *Jazariyyah* and his personal notes on *Tajwīd* by him. Read a *khatm* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibīyyah*. 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 Ḥadīth from him.
- Moulana Qari Rashīd Dhabelia – studied Urdu, *Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn*, *Kanz al-Daqā'iq*, *Sirājī fī al-Mīrāth*, *Mishkāh al-Maṣābīh* by him.
- Moulana Talḥah Attas – studied basic *Fiqh* and *du‘ās* by him.
- Moulana Junayd Doodhia – studied Urdu and assessed in his *ḥifṭh* by him.
- Moulana Qāri Burhān Mia – studied Urdu grammar, Arabic and *Mukhtaṣar al-Qudūrī* by him. Was also assessed in his *ḥifṭh* by him.
- Moulana Qāri Sulaymān Moola – studied the 40 Ḥadīth Imam Nawawī, *du‘ās*, and translation of *juz* 21-30 by him.
- Moulana Qāri Mubīn Essa – studied Arabic by him.

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- Moulana Qāri Ṣāliḥ Peck – studied *Umdah 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-Aṭḥamī – received *ijāzah* in Ḥadīth from him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ 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 Khanqa 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.
- Currently he is reading for *ijāzah* in the various ṭuruq of Ḥafṣ by Sheikh Riḍwān Saiet.

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Abū Bakr Qāsim Ismail

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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 *hifḥ* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.
- Completed *hifḥ* 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 Naḥīm 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, Hadith, *Tafsīr* and Islamic law from Qāsim al-'Ulūm, 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 *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos at Madrasah al-Najāḥ.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

Teachers:

- His father, Muḥammad Qāsim Ismail – learned to recite the Qurʾān by him.
- Haji Muḥammad Nūr Raynard – learned to recited the Qurʾān by him.
- Imam Yūsuf Achmat – learned to recite the Qurʾān by him.
- Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos – completed *ḥifẓ* of the Qurʾān by him.
- Imam Malik Heuwel – revised the Qurʾān 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 ʿAbd al-Raḥmān Hendricks – studied *Fiqh* and *Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn* of Imam Nawawī by him.
- Sheikh Āmin Fakier – studied *Tafsīr* by him, with reference to *Ṣafwah al-Tafsīr* of Sheikh Muḥammad ʿAli Ṣābūnī.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – attended an *Ulūm al-Qurʾān* lecture series presented by him.
- Sheikh Ismāʿīl 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 Sha'rawī – studied the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by him.

Students:

The following students have memorised the entire Qur'ān:

- Shu'ayb 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
- Khadijah 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 *hifṭh* 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 *hifṭh* 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 Madrasah al-Baḥr.
- Also the principal of Dār Abī Qāsim Hifṭh School for girls and boys which runs from Masjid al-Baḥr.

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Abū Bakr West

Mother's name: Khadijah

Father's name: 'Irfān

Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'an by his mother, Khadijah.
- Completed first *khatm* by Sheikh Ḥusayn Inglis.

Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifẓ* by Hafith Shafiq Wentzel.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Hafith Shafiq Wentzel.
- Completed the 'Alim Fāḍil course at Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle.
- Completed Islamic Sharī'ah Diploma in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- Studied the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī by Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
- Read the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Tayyibah*, the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī and the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī to Sheikh Abū Muḥammad 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 *ḥifẓ* by Hafith Shafiq Wentzel.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi'ī (Malawi) in:
 - 1) Transmitting the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'i via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 2) Transmitting the *ṭuruq* of Ḥafṣ via *al-Tajrīd*, the *Rouḍah* of Abū 'Alī al-Mālikī and *al-Tidhkār* from the *Ṭayyibah*.
 - 3) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- Sheikh Fayṣal 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.

Teachers:

- Hafith Shafīq Wentzel – completed his *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – completed the *Tuḥfah* by him, and read 11 *juz* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the *Qirā'ah* of Abū Ja'far.
- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi'ī – read a *khatm* to him in the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'i, 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.

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- 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.

Past and Current Activities:

- Was an imam at a masjid in Newcastle.
- Taught *ḥifẓ* at Newcastle Islamic Centre.
- Currently teaching Arabic, *Fiqh*, *Ulūm al-Qur’ān* and *Tajwīd* at Madrasah al-Faḍīlah for Girls.
- Currently the assistant imam 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.

Moulana currently resides in Strand.

Aḥmad Mahdi Nackerdien

Mother's name: Fāṭimah

Father's name: Ibrāhīm

Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qurʾān and initial Islamic studies by his aunt, Ṣabīḥah, in Vredenberg.
- Completed first *khatm* by his aunt, Ṣabīḥah.

Higher Studies:

- Started *hifḥ* by Moulana Manga in Dār al-ʿUlūm Newcastle.
- Completed *hifḥ* by Hāfith Yūsuf Muḥammad at Dār al-ʿUlūm Zakariyyā.
- Completed three years of the ʿĀlim course at Dār al-ʿUlūm al-ʿArabiyyah 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 *Qirāʾah* of ʿĀṣim.
- Memorised and studied the *uṣūl* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* by Sheikh ʿĀshūr, in Egypt.

Qualifications:

- Completed *hifḥ* by Hāfith Yūsuf Muḥammad

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Aḥmad ibn al-Sayyid al-Qallīnī (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The *Qirāʾah* of ʿĀṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

Teachers:

- Mu'allimah Ṣabīḥah – 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 *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān by him.
- Hāfith Yūsuf Muḥammad – completed *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān by him.
- Hāfith 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 Ḥafṣ and Shu'bah and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from the Sheikh.
- Sheikh 'Ashūr – memorised and studied the *uṣūl* of the *Shātibiyyah* by him.

Students:

- Ikrām Solomons – completed *ḥifẓ* by the Sheikh (2010).
- Fāṭimah Titus – completed her *ḥifẓ* by the Sheikh.
- Ra'īs Nackerdien – completed *ḥifẓ* by the Sheikh.

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 *ḥifẓ* competition in Libya.
- Previously a *ḥifẓ* 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-Ṣabr in Primrose Park. He also conducts *Tajwīd* classes at the masjid.

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- Currently reading the 10 *Qirā'āt* to Sheikh Iḥsān Davids (completed 10 *juz* thusfar).
- Currently runs his own *ḥifẓ* school, Madrasah Ahl al-Qur'ān, which specialises in *ḥifẓ*. It also offers basic *Fiqh*, Arabic, *du'ās*, *qaṣā'id* etc.

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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 *ḥifẓ* of the Qur’ān at the capable hands of Sheikh Yusuf Booley.
- Islamic and Arabic studies at Dār al-Arqam, under the auspices of the MJC.
- Studied *Tajwīd* and the *Tuḥfah* by Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

Qualifications:

- Completed his *ḥifẓ* 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 *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān 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 Shu'bah via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* to him.
- Sheikh Yāsīn Sha'rāwī – learnt *Tajwīd* and *maqāmāt* by him.

Past and current activities:

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

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Sheikh 'Ali attained 3rd place in the South African national *qirā'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 Lamīсах Gabriels and Sheikh Zahīr Kamaldien.
- He finished his first *khatm* of the Qur'ān by Sheikh 'Ali Davids.

Further studies:

- Started his *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt.
- Completed his *ḥifẓ* 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 *ḥifẓ* 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*.

Teachers:

- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt – started memorisation of the Qur'ān by him.

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- Sheikh Ḥusayn Dalvie – memorised a few *juz* by him.
- Hāfith ‘Alawī Alexander – memorised portions of the Qur’ān by him.
- Sheikh Riḍwān Saiset – memorised portions of the Qur’ān by him.

Past and current activities:

- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in Lesotho for past four years.
- Took part in the South African *ḥifṭḥ* competition finals held in Cape Town in 2009 and 2010.
- Represented South Africa internationally in Dubai and Mecca in 2012.
- Currently studying at Jami‘yyat al-Khayriyyah, which runs under the auspices Sheikh Zahīr Kamaldien.

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‘Ammār Nackerdien³¹

He completed his *ḥifḥ* by Sheikh ‘Ali Davids.

He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

³¹ His failure to provide the necessary information to complete his profile before date of publication has resulted in the absence of his profile.

Anīṣah Jabaar

Mother's name: Āminah

Father's name: 'Abd Allah

Early studies:

- Learnt *ḥifẖ* 2000-2003.
- Learnt to read Quran by her mother and Mu'allimah Bahiyyah Salie.
- Completed her first *khatm* by her parents.
- Started *ḥifẖ* by Sheikh Shoukat 'Ali and Hāfith Riḍwān Ismail in 2000.

Higher Education:

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

Qualifications:

- Completed her *ḥifẖ* by Sheikh Shoukat 'Ali.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from

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

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- 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'ān by her.
- Mu'allimah Bahiyyah – learnt how to recite the Qur'ān by her.
- Hāfith Riḍwān Ismail – started her *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Sheikh Shoukat 'Ali – started and completed her *ḥifẓ* 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.
- Hāfith '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

Past and current activities:

- Currently teaches *ḥifẓ* at Nūrush al-Shabāb Hāfith School.
- Participates in female Qur'ān programs.
- Currently she is reading the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *turuq* 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 Madrasah al-Ma'rūf in Bridgetown.

Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifẖh* by Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamin. After completing one *juz*, Sheikh Sulaymān left for studies in Medina.
- Completed 15 *juz* by Hāfith Fahmi Parker.
- Completed three *juz* by Moulana Munīr Samson.
- Completed his *ḥifẖh* 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.
- Complete the Arabic Diploma at the University of Medina.
- B.A. in Hadith from the University of Medina.

Qualifications:

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

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

Teachers:

- Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamin – started *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Hāfith Fahmi Parker – started *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Moulana Munīr Samson – started *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Adams – completed *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt – read a *khatm* to him.

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- 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 *Ṭayyibah* with *qaṣr* in *munfaṣil*.
- Sheikh Muḥammad 'Abbās – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the narration of Shu'bah via the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Khāliq al-Nāqūr (Medina) – studied *Fiqh* by him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Rāshid al-Ruḥaylī (Medina) – studied *Fiqh* by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Zāḥim – completed a concise *Fiqh* 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 *ḥifẓ* at 'Abd Allah ibn Mas'ud Institute with his teacher, Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).
- The vice principal of Madrasah al-Falāḥ al-Islāmiyyah, in Kewtown.
- Runs a *ḥifẓ* 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 Cape.

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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 *ḥifḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.
- Studied *Tajwīd* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

Teachers:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams – completed his *ḥifḥ*, as well as received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.
- Ḥāfith Yāsīn Taliep – recited and memorised sections of the Qur’ān by him.
- Ḥāfith ‘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'ān 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 Iḥsān Davids in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Miṣbāḥ*.
 - 2) The *Tuḥfah*.

Teachers:

- Sheikh Yūsuf Booley – learned how the 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 Ḥafṣ via the *Tarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ*.

Current activities:

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

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Hārūn Moos

Mother's name: Ḥawwāʾ

Father's name: Ḥanīf

Early studies:

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

Further studies:

- Attended Markaz al-Nūr (Egypt), Markaz al-Fajr (Egypt) and *Dirāsah Khāṣah* (Egypt) for Arabic studies.
- Read the entire Qurʾān to Sheikh Ṣalāḥ al-Dīn ʿĪsā in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Rouḍah*.
- Read various *Qirāʾāt* and narrations to Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
- Read the *uṣūl* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* to Moulana Salīm Gaibie from memory.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* of the Qurʾān 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 *Qirāʾah* of Abū ʿAmr 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 *ḥifẓ* by his father.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah 'Aṭīyah 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 – currently learning Arabic by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – reciting various *qirā'āt* and narrations to the Moulana. Also studied the *uṣūl* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* by 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.³²
- Ḥafīṭh Shahīd August – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from Sheikh Hārūn in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Rouḍah*.

³² Since Ibrāhīm Allie is not a Ḥafīṭh, 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'ī.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the narrations of Ḥafṣ and Warsh, as well as the *Qirā'āt* of Abū Ja'far and Abū 'Amr.
- Ḥāfiṭh 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 *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.
- Khadijah Khan (Delft) – completed *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.
- Sājidah Williams – completed *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.
- Rasedien Latief – completed *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.
- Luqmān Smith – completed *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.
- Amīr Davids – completed *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.
- 'Uthmān Brenner – completed *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.
- 'Adnān Johnson – completed *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.
- Ḥamzah Karriem – completed *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.
- 'Uzayr Hendricks – completed *ḥifṭh* by the Sheikh.

Past and current activities:

- Taught at his father's *madrakah*, Madrasah al-Najāh.

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

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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 *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.
- Completed three years of Islamic studies at Dār al-Arḳam 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 'Īsā.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

Teachers:

- Muḥammad Tayyib – learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie – completed *ḥifḥ* by him.
- Sheikh 'Abd Allah Bayyūmī – revised the Qur'ān by him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad 'Āmir
- Sheikh Sayyid Ḥamid
- 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 Ḥafṣ 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 *ḥifḥ* school – Dār al-Falāḥayn li Tahfīṭh al-Qur'ān.

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Ibrāhīm Darries

Mother's name: Najwah

Father's name: Şiddīq

Early studies:

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

Higher Studies:

- Started *ḥifẓh* by Ḥāfiṭh Yūsuf Muḥammad.
- Completed *ḥifẓh* by Ḥāfiṭh Yūsuf Muḥammad.
- Completed two year Diploma of Higher Islamic learning at Dār al-Na'im, Wynberg.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓh* by Ḥāfiṭh Yūsuf Muḥammad.

Ḥāfiṭh Ibrāhīm Darries 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-Qāri* by Moulana Salīm.
 - 4) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
 - 5) Commentary of Sheikh al-Ḍabbā' on the *Tuḥfah*.
 - 6) The *Jazariyyah*.
 - 7) The text of Sheikh Sa'īd 'Abd Allah for the *ṭarīq* of Mişbāḥ.
 - 8) The text of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqītī for the *ṭarīq* of Mişbāḥ.
 - 9) The text of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān for the *ṭarīq* of the *Rouḍah*.

- 10) *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāṭh* of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
- 11) Commentary of Khālid al-Azharī on the *Jazariyyah*.
- 12) Commentary of Sheikh Zakariyyā al-Anṣārī on the *Jazariyyah*.

Teachers:

- His father, Ṣiddīq – learned how to recite the Qur'ān by him as well as the essentials of *dīn*.
- His sister, Faḥmīdah – recited the Qur'ān to her. Under her guidance he completed his first *khatm* of the Qur'ān.
- Ḥāfiṭh Yūsuf Muḥammad – memorised the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder – studied *'Aqīdah* and *Mirāth* 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-Ḥadīth* with him.
- Moulana Zahīr Parker – studied Hadith, *Fiqh* and Qur'ān translation with him.
- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan – studied *Fiqh* 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 Russ – studied sections of Imam Ghazālī'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.
- 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 Hadith by him.

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- 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*. Also studied various texts in *Tajwīd* and *Qirā’āt* by him, as well as *‘Ulūm al-Qur’ān*.
- Moulana Azhar Pathan – studied *Muṣṭalah al-Ḥadīth* and *Sīrah* by him.

Past and Current Activities:

- Completed Arabic and Islamic studies Diploma at Dār al-Na‘īm, Wynberg.
- Currently in his fifth year at Dār al-‘Ulūm al-‘Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah, Strand.
- Currently reading the Seven *Qirā’āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* to Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

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Ibrāhīm Floris

Mother's name: Khadījah

Father's name: 'Uthmān

Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'an 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 *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.
- Also memorised a few *ajzā'* by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.
- Studied Arabic, *Fiqh*, *Touḥīd*, Ḥadīth and Qur'anic sciences in Egypt.

Qualifications:

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

Sheikh Ibrāhīm received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi'ī (Malawi) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Tayyibah*.
 - 2) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids (South Africa) in:
 - 1) *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl* of Jamzūrī.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.
 - 2) *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl* of Jamzūrī.
 - 3) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 4) *Touḍīḥ al-Maʿālim* by ʿAli al-Naḥḥās.
 - 5) *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāṭḥ* by Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
 - 6) Text of Sheikh ʿĀmir ʿUthmān for *qaṣr* in Ḥafṣ.

Teachers:

- Imam ʿAbd Allah Jassim – learnt how to recite Qurʾān by him, including the fundamentals of *dīn*.
- Sheikh Sirāj Johaar – completed *ḥifẓ* by him as well as being a teacher at his *madrasah* for a number of years.
- Sheikh Fuʿād Gabier – memorised a few *ajzāʾ* by him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids – studied *Tajwīd* and the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī by him. Also received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the *Tuḥfah*.
- 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 Ḥafṣ to him via the *Ṭayyibah* until *Sūrah Yūnus*, as well the differences in the narration of Shuʿbah 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.

Past and Current Activities:

- Taught *ḥifẓ* and Qurʾān for seven years at Dār al-Qurʾān which runs under the guidance of Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.

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- 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.
- Currently he is reading the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī to Sheikh Abd al-Raḥmān Davids.

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

Ibrāhīm Gaffoor

Mother's name: Wasīlah

Father's name: Ismā'īl

Early Studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān 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 *ḥifẓ* of the 30th *juz* by Boeta Qāsim 'Ali.
- Memorised the remainder of the Qur'ān and completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Mūsā Titus. Also studied Ḥadīth and *Fiqh* 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 *ḥifẓ* 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'ān by him.
- Boeta Qāsim 'Ali – learned the essentials of *dīn* 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 *ḥifẓ* 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 Manṣūr al-Ḥaqq – studied the *Ṣaḥīḥ* of Bukhārī, *Tafsīr* and *Balāghah* by him.
- Moulana Mumtāz al-Ḥaqq – studied *Mishkāt al-Maṣābīh*, the *Ṣaḥīḥ* of Muslim and Arabic with him.

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- Mufti ‘Abd al-Qādir Ḥusayn – studied *Miskāt al- Maṣābīh*, *Tafsīr*, *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* and *Shāfi‘ī Fiqh* by him.
- Moulana Akram – studied Qur’ān translation by him.
- Moulana Firouz al-Dīn Adam – studied the *Sunan* of Abū Dāwūd by him.

Past and Current Activities:

- Has served as an imam of several *masjids* since he completed his high school. These *masjids* include:
 - Masjid al-Raḥmān (Hanover Park).
 - Bridgetown Masjid.
 - 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-‘Ulūm al-‘Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah (DUAI), Strand.
- Moulana is currently reading the *Qirā’ah* of Ibn Kathīr to Moulana Salīm Gaibie as well as to Sheikh Iḥsān 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: ʿĀ'ishah

Father's name: Mūsā

Early studies:

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

Later studies:

- Started *ḥifẓh* by Imam ʿUmar ʿAbd Allah.
- Completed *ḥifẓh* by Sheikh ʿAbd 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 Dār al-Naʿīm Arabic and Qur'ān course.
- Completed a teacher's course at Discover Islam Centre.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓh* by Sheikh ʿAbd al-Raḥīm Salie.
- Received *sanad* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* from Sheikh ʿAbd al-Ḥakīm ʿUthmān.

Sheikh Iḥsān received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

- Sheikh Ismā'īl 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, *Fiqh* 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.
- Ṭḥāfir Wallace – completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān.
- Madeni Gallie – completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān.

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- Yumna Jacobs – received *sanad* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- ‘Abd Allah Taliep – received *sanad* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Mu‘addil.
- Sakīnah Jacobs – received *sanad* in the narration of Ḥafṣ 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 Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah*.
- Nazīr 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 *ḥifṭh* section of Dār al-Na‘īm.
- 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-Na‘īm, Wynberg.

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Iḥsān Davids

Mother's name: Sharīfah

Father's name: Aḥmad

Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Boeta Fātiḥ and Khalifah Ruqayyah Philander.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.
- Attended Dār al-Islām afternoon madrasah in Surrey Estate.

Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.
- Also memorised certain *azjā'* by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.
- Did Islamic studies at Markaz al-Islāmī with Sheikh Ḥanīf 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 *Shātibiyah*, the *Durrah*, the *Ṭayyibah*, *al-Itqān* of al-Suyūṭī, the sciences of *Rasm*, verse-counts amongst many other works in the field of the Qur'ān.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Sirāj Johaar.

- Received *ijāzah* from Sheikh Khālid ‘Abd Allah for all the works written by Sheikh ‘Ali Muḥammad al-Naḥḥās
- 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 *Qirā’āt* via the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn ‘Abbās (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*.
- 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 *Tuḥfah*.
- Sheikh Ilyās Barmāwī (Medina) in:
 - 1) *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl* of Jamzūrī.
 - 2) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.

Teachers:

- Sheikh Sirāj Johaar – completed *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier – memorised some *ajzā'* by him.
- Sheikh Ḥanīf Kamār – did Arabic studies by him.
- Imam Ismā'īl Johnson – studied Arabic and *Fiqh* by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington) – studied Ḥadīth by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Adam Mūnī – studied Ḥadīth by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt – read a *khatm* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ 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 Ḥafṣ.
- 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 Khālīd 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 *Ṭayyibah*.

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 ‘Āṣim to the Sheikh (incomplete).
- Hāfith ‘Ādil Arnolds – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the *Qirā’ah* of ‘Āṣim.
- Hāfith Yūsuf Philander – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the *Qirā’ah* of ‘Āṣim.
- Acaya ‘Aṭā’ Allah (Reunion) – completed a *khatm* in the narration of Ḥafṣ to the Sheikh. Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- Hāfith Riḍwān Rhoda – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the *Qirā’ah* of ‘Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*.
- Hāfith 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 Shu‘bah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- ‘Abd al-Salām Kenny – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Tuḥfah*.

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- Aslam Kamaar – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Miṣbāḥ*.
- Muhammad Ali Jumon – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Miṣbāḥ*.
- Muḥammad Samuels – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī and Khalaf al-ʿĀshir.
- Nazīr Majiet – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the *Qirā'ah* of ʿĀṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*

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-Taʿlīmī, in Gatesville.
- Was an instructor at Jamʿiyyah al-Qurrāʾ Hafith Institute.
- Was a lecturer on *Tajwīd* and *Qirāʾāt* at the Qurrāʾ Development Program.
- Currently the principal of Tayyibah al-Nashr Institute for Qurʾānic studies which trains learners in areas of *Tajwīd*, *Qirāʾāt*, *ḥifṭḥ*, and other aspects of Qurʾānic sciences.

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The Sheikh currently resides in Surrey Estate.

Iḥsān Smith³³

Moulana Iḥsān received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Qāri Ayyūb Ishāq in:
 - 1) The Ten *Qirā'āt*.

³³ Moulana Iḥsān Smith was contacted to provide the necessary information to complete his profile. His failure to respond to our requests before publication has resulted in the absence of his profile.

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 *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Aḥmad Moos and completed seven *juz* by him.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* 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 *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh 'Abd Allah al-Jouharī al-Sayyid (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ 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 *ḥifẓ* by him.

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- 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 *Fiqh*, *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.

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I'jāz Mukaddam

Hafith I'jāz is one of six 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 Ḥaḥḥ to Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān and the narration of Warsh via Aṣbahānī 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: Faḍl 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 *ḥifẓ* by his father, Faḍl al-Dīn Mukaddam.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* by his father, Faḍl al-Dīn Mukaddam.
- Studied *Tajwīd* rules under the tutorship of Hāfith 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 1st position in the *qirā'ah* category of the Eisteddfod competition (2003).
- Attained 1st position in the National Hifh competition in Cape Town (2007).
- Attained 6th position at the Dubai International Holy Qur'an Award (2007).
- Attained 2nd position in the Qurra' Development Programme: Module one (2009).
- Attained 3rd position in the Tanzanian International Holy Qur'an Memorisation Competition (2012).

Qualifications:

- Completed *hifh* by Faḍl 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 Ismā'īl Londt (South Africa) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Mu'addil.
 - 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 *Tuhfah* of Jamzūrī.
- 9) The *Jazariyyah*.
- 10) *Bahjah al-Luhhāth* 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 *Tuhfah* 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 *Qirā'āt* of Abū 'Amr, Ibn 'Āmir, 'Āṣim, Abū Ja'far and Ya'qūb. He also completed the *Tuhfah*, the *Jazariyyah*, *Bahjah al-Luhhāth* 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 *ḥifṭh* 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.³⁴
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmām Davids – read the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'i and Khalaf al-‘Ashir to him.

Written Works:

- *Notes on Warsh* – discusses the theory regarding the narration of Warsh via the *ṭarīq* of Azraq from the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *ṭarīq* of Aṣbahānī from the *Ṭayyibah*.
- A book which outlines 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 Road Masjid in Elsie's River and continues to do so.
- Occasionally recited on three radio stations: Radio VOC, Radio 786 and Radio Al-Ansar.

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

Personal interests:

³⁴ Due to Ismā'īl Dāwūd not being ḥāfiṭh, his profile is not included in this database.

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- 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.
- Currently a medical student at the University of Stellenbosch.

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Imtiyāz Isaacs

Mother's name: Fāṭimah Isaacs

Father's name: Rifāṭ 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 *ḥifẓ* at Jam'iyyah al-Qurrā' under the tutelage of Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm at the age of nine years. He completed nine *ajzā'* by the Sheikh.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* at Jam'iyyah al-Qurrā' under the tutorship of Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamen at the age of 11 years.
- Islamic courses:
 - Studied at Dār al-Na'im, completing the translation of the entire Qur'ān. In the second year he completed various subjects which included Arabic grammar, *Ṣarf*, *Fiqh*, Hadith, *'Ulūm al-Qur'ān*, *'Aqīdah*, *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* etc.
 - Inspired by his teachers at Dār al-Na'im 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 *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Sulaymān Benjamin.

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 *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 4) *Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfi*.
- Sheikh 'Ali Muḥammad Toufiq al-Naḥḥās (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *turuq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
 - 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) *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl* of Jamzūrī.
 - 4) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 5) The *Shāṭibiyyah*, and the *Durrah*.
- Sheikh 'Iṣam Aḥmad Mabruk (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Sayyid Fathī (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 Ḥafṣ 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 'ammah* from the Sheikh for all his transmissions.

- Sheikh Ḥasan Sa'īd (Alexandria) in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.
 - 2) The *Jazariyyah*.

Teachers:

- Sheikh 'Iṣām Aḥmad Mabruk – completed the narration of Ḥafṣ by him.
- Sheikh Sayyid Fathī – 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-Shāfi* 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 Miṣbāḥ Widn – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrāḥ*, 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 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*.
- Sheikh Ḥasan Sa'īd al-Iskandarī – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him for the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*. He is currently reading the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim to the Sheikh via the *Ṭarīq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.

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 Mu'addil 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 Faṭḥī, 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 *thānawīyyah* 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 *Sharī'ah*.

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Ismā'īl Berdien

Mother's name: 'Azīzah

Father's name: Muḥammad Amīn

Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by Khalifah Āminah in Rocklands, Mitchells Plain.
- Also attended afternoon *madrasah* in Rocklands.

Higher education:

- Started *ḥifẖ* at Masjid al-Jumu'ah by Mu'allim Riḍwān. Thereafter he went to Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier and completed three *ajzā'* by him. Subsequently, he enrolled at Dār al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā 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 *ḥifẖ*, 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 Ḥudhayfi.

- 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 *ḥifẖ* by Qāri Rashīd Topia.

Sheikh Ismā'īl received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Aḥmad Qallīnī (Egypt) in:

- 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

Sheikh Ismā'īl completed these narrations by Sheikh Aḥmad in a gathering on the 27th 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 *Ṭayyibah*.
 - 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'ah* 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 *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.

The Sheikh recited all these *Qirā'at* 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 Khālīd (Egypt) – learnt Arabic from him.
- Ustādh Ṣāliḥ (Egypt) – learnt Arabic from him.
- Sheikh 'Umar Quṭb – had a few sittings with him and benefited from the Sheikh in *maqāmat*.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt – attended a few of his lessons in *maqāmāt*.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-'Azīz Brown – learnt all the *maqāmāt* from him.
- Moulana Shafīq Alawi – learnt the Hajj from him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids – acquired some *Tajwīd* from him.
- Sheikh Anwar Adamson – read the narration of Ḥafṣ and the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Tayyibah* to him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Yūnus, a student of the Grand Sheikh of Egypt – recited a few *khatms* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.
- Qāri Ayyūb Iṣḥāq – studied basic *Tajwīd* by him.

Students:

- Armien Davids – completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismā'īl.
- Shudley Ahmad – completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismā'īl.
- Mas'ūd Soeker – completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismā'īl.
- 'Ādil Arnolds – completed his *ḥifṭḥ* by Sheikh Ismā'īl.
- Munawwar Harneker – completed his *ḥifṭḥ* 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 *ḥifṭḥ* 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 *Shātibīyyah* to Sheikh Ismā'īl and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him. Currently he is reading the narration of Qālūn to Sheikh Ismā'īl.

Past and current activities:

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

- Taught as a *ḥifẓh* 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 *ḥifẓh* in Gauteng for a few years.
- Currently the head of the “tamat class” at the Jam‘iyyah al-Qurrā’ (JEQ).
- 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 *ḥifẓh* 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 *ḥifẓh* competitions which took place at Town Centre Masjid in Mitchells Plain.
- He has his own *ḥifẓh* 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.

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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 *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān by Hafith Rafiq 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 'Aṭīyyah 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 *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah*, and *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 *hifḥ* 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 Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Mu'addil.
 - 3) The narration of Sūsī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Ilyās ibn Aḥmad Barmāwī (Medina) in:
 - 1) The *Muqaddimah 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.
- Hafith 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. Ismā'īl 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-ʿAjlūniyyah* to him, receiving *ijāzah* for it from the Sheikh, as well as *ijāzah ʿāmmah*.
- Sheikh Ḥammād al-Ṣaqqālī – received *ijāzah ʿāmmah* from the Sheikh.
- Sheikh ʿAbd Allah al-Talīdī – read the *Alfiyyah al-ʿIrāqī* and the *Arba'ūn al-ʿAjlūniyyah* to him. Received *ijāzah* for what he read as well as *ijāzah ʿāmmah* from the Sheikh.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn Yahyā al-Ninowī – received *ijāzah ʿāmmah* from the Sheikh.

Students:

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

- Hāfith Iʿjāz 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*.
- Muʿallimah ʿĀʾishah 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 *Tarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the *Rouḍah*, receiving *ijāzah* and *sanad* in whatever he recited. Also completed 21 *ajzāʾ* in the narration of Sūsī. He was the first male to receive *ijāzah* from the Sheikh.
- Hāfith ʿAlawi Alexander – read the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Tarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Rouḍah*, as well as the narration of Sūsī, receiving *ijāzah* and *sanad* in whatever he recited.
- Hāfithah Raḍiyah Bāwā Hendricks – rendered two *khatms* to the Sheikh, first in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Tarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah*, and thereafter

via the *Tarīq* 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 Riḍwān Saiset – read the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Tarīq* of the the *Rouḍah*, receiving *ijāzah* and *sanad* from Sheikh Ismā'īl.

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 *ḥifṭh* 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.
- Was previously 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.
- Instructor in *ʿUlūm al-Qur'ān*, as well as of the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* at Dār al-Na'īm, 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

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

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Juwayriyah Slarmie

Mother's name: 'Ā'ishah Şiddīqah

Father's name: Muḥammad Nūr

Early studies:

- Learned to recite the Qur'ān by her mother from the age of four.

Later Studies:

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

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafş via the *Rouḍah* of Mu'addil.

Teachers:

- 'Ā'ishah Şiddīqah, her mother – learned to recite the Qur'ān by her.
- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres – completed her *ḥifẓ* by her.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafş.

Current activities:

- Currently at Oracle High School.

She currently stays in Ocean View.

Luqmān Ben

Mother's name: Āminah Johnson

Father's name: Ṣādiq Ben

Early studies:

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

Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids
- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Adnān Khatīb.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* at JEQ.
- Completed two-year Arabic Dimploma in higher education from Dār al-Na'im, Wynberg.

Qualifications:

- Completed his *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Adnān Khatīb.

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) *Murshid al-Qārī*.
 - 4) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.

- 5) Commentary of 'Ali Dabbā' on the *Tuḥfah*.
- 6) The *Jazariyyah*.
- 7) The text of Sheikh Sa'īd for the *Ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ*.
- 8) The text of Sheikh Zāyid for the *Ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ*.
- 9) The text of Sheikh 'Āmir for the *Ṭarīq* of the *Rouḍah*.
- 10) *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāṭḥ* of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
- 11) Commentary of Khālid Azharī on the *Jazariyyah*.
- 12) Commentary of Zakariyyāh Anṣārī on the *Jazariyyah*.
- 13) *Al-La'ālī' al-Naqiyyah* by Moulana Saleem Gaibie.

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.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids – memorised *juz* 26 and 27 by 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 *Mirāth* by him.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl 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 *Muṣṭalah al-Ḥadīth* by him.
- Moulana Zahier Parker – studied *Ḥadīth*, *Fiqh* and Qur'ān translation by him.

- Moulana Ṭāhā Karaan – studied *Fiqh* by him.
- Moulana Yā'qūb Abdullah – studied *Fiqh* and *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* by him.
- Moulana Riyāḍ Saloojee – studied *Muṣṭalah al-Ḥadīth* and *'Aqīdah* by him.
- Moulana Shāmīl Ras – studied sections of Imam Ghazālī's *Iḥyā'* by him.
- Moulana Mu'ādh 'Alī – studied comparative religion and *Muṣṭalah al-Ḥadīth* by him.
- Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan – studied *Fiqh*, *al-Tirmidhī* and *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* 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 *Muṣṭalah 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-'Irfān*, *Tārīkh al-Qur'ān* of Abd al-Ṣabūr Shāhīn by him. Currently reading a *khatm* to him all Seven *Qirā'āt*.

Past and Current Activities:

- Taught at Raḥmāniyyah Masjid in Steenberg.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* at JEQ.
- Completed two-year Arabic Diploma in higher education from Dār al-Na'im, Wynberg.
- Presently studying Arabic, Higher Islamic studies and *Qirā'āt* at DUAI, Strand.

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Māhirah Abdulrazaak

Mother's name: Yasmīn

Father's name: 'Abd al-Razzāq

Early studies:

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

Higher Education:

- Matriculated from Achievers College.
- Started *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* 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 Taḥfīṭh al-Qur'ān College in Azizia, Mecca.
- Did *Tajwīd* training and revision with Sheikah 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 *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington) in 1998.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikah 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:

- Yasmīn (mother) – learnt to recite the Qur'ān at her hands.
- Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier – started her *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington) – completed her *ḥifẓ* 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 Shu'bah from her.

Students:

- Hāfithah Abdulrazaak – completed her *ḥifẓ*.
- Amīrah Vallie – completed her *ḥifẓ*.

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.

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

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Father's name: ʿAbd al-Hādī

Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qurʾān by his father, ʿAbd al-Hādī Moerat.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Ḥāfiṭh Yūsuf Muḥammad.

Higher Education:

- Started *hifṭh* by Ḥāfiṭh Yūsuf Muḥammad.
- Completed *hifṭh* by Ḥāfiṭh Yūsuf Muḥammad.

Qualifications:

- Completed *hifṭh* in 2002 by Ḥāfiṭh Yūsuf Muḥammad.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh ʿAli Davids (South Africa) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Imtiyāz Isaacs (South Africa) in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.

Teachers:

- ʿAbd al-Hādī Moerat – learnt to recite the Qurʾān, as well as the essentials of *dīn* by him.
- Ḥāfiṭh Yūsuf Muḥammad – completed his memorisation of the Qurʾān by him.

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- Sheikh 'Ali Davids – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibīyyah*. 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.

Past and Current Activities:

- Completed Matric 2005
- Studied two years B.sc at UWC (incomplete).
- Started teaching *ḥifẓ* in Paarl 2006.
- In 2009, moved to Cape Town to teach *ḥifẓ* at Al-Ameen Hāfith Institute for three years.
- Currently teaching *ḥifẓ* at Jam'īyyah al-Qurrā' (JEQ).

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Father's name: Shafir 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 *ḥifẓ* by Hāfith Ibrāhīm Bhamjee at Dār al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā in Gauteng.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* 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 *ḥifẓ* 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 Mu'addil.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Qallīnī (Egypt) in:
 - 1) *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl* 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 *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Hāfith 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 *qasr 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 Hāfith 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 Qurra' Development Program.

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Muḥammad 'Alawī Aexander

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 *madrāsah* teacher there.
- Finished his first *khatm* by his father, Muḥammad Zayn.

Later Education:

- Started *ḥifẓh* by Sheikh Sa'd Allah Khan, by whom he completed the memorisation of three *juz*. Thereafter he also memorised portions of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Iḥsān Davids, Sheikh Fu'ād Isaacs, and Moulana Ismā'īl Jango. He eventually completed his *ḥifẓh* by Moulana Iḥsān 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 Ismā'īl Londt.
- Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt in the narrations of Ḥafṣ and Sūsī via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Completed eight modules of the Qurra' Development Programme (QDP), studying *Tajwīd*, *maqāmāt*, Arabic, the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī, the *Jazariyyah*, *La'ālī' 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 *ḥifẖ* by Moulana Iḥsān Davids.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibiyah*.
 - 2) The narration of Sūsī via the *Shātibiyah*.
 - 3) The *Jazariyyah*.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
 - 2) The *Jazariyyah*.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
 - 1) The *Jazariyyah*.
 - 2) *Faṭḥ al-Karīm al-Mannān* of 'Alī al-Ḍabbā'.
- Qāri Ayyūb Ishāq in:
 - 1) The *Jazariyyah*.

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 Ismā'īl Jango – memorised sections of the Qur'ān by him.

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- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids – memorised sections of the Qurʾān 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 *qirāʾat* by him.
- Moulana Iḥsān Davids – completed his *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Sheikh Abū Bakr ʿAbd al-Raʿūf – read a *khatm* to him.
- Sheikh Fuʿād Isaacs – memorised sections of the Qurʾān by him.
- Sheikh Abū Bakr Ismāʿīl – revised the Qurʾān by him.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Moos – revised the Qurʾān 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*, *Laʿālīʾ al-Bayān* of Samannūdī, *Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfiʾ* of ʿUthmān Murād and the *uṣūl* of the Seven *Qirāʾat* by him. Received *ijāzah* from him for the *Jazariyyah*.
- Qāri Ayyūb Ishāq – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him for the *Jazariyyah*.
- Sheikh ʿAbd al-ʿAzīz Brown – studied *maqāmāt* by him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos – studied *maqāmāt* by him.
- Moulana ʿAbd al-Raḥmān Khan – studied Arabic and *Fiqh* by him. Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him for the 40 Ḥadīth on the virtues of Qurʾān by Mullā ʿAli al-Qāriʾ and the *Tibyān* of Imam Nawawi.

Students:

- Anīṣah 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 Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

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- Sulaymān Mohamed – currently reciting the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī to him.
- Nazīr Majiet – studied the *Salsabīl al-Shāfi* 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.
- Currently a student at al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences where he is reciting the Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

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Muḥammad ‘Ali Jumon

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Early studies:

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

Later studies:

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

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Riḍwān Caincross.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Miṣbāḥ*.
- Sheikh ‘Abd al-Karīm Davids in:
 - 1) *Tuḥfah al-Aṭfāl* of Sulaymān Jamzūrī.

Teachers:

- Sheikh Sulaymān Salie – studied the *makhārij* and learnt how to recite the Qur’ān by him.
- Sheikh Riḍwān Caincross – completed his *ḥifẓ* by him.

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- 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.
- Currently studying at DUAI, Strand.

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Muḥammad (ibn Fu'ād) Davids

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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 *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān 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 *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān 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 *Tayyibah*.

- 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 Naḥīmah Jansen – completed his first *khatm* by her.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids – completed his *hifṭh* by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – studied *Ulum al-Qur'ān* by him. Also read a *khatm* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ 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 Russ – read sections of Imam Ghazālī'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 Ḥafṣ to him.
- Dr Sa'īd Ramaḍān al-Būṭī - studied *Dawābiṭ al-Maṣlaḥah*, *al-Ashbāh wa al-Naḥā'ir*, *al-Risālah al-Qushayriyyah* and *Mabāḥith Qur'āniyyah* 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.
- Dr Nūr al-Dīn 'Iṭr – studied the *Muwaṭṭa'* by him.

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- Dr Badī' 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-Risālah al-Qushayriyyah*, *Durūs fī al-Tasawwuf* by him.
- Shaykh Na'im al-'Araqūsī – studied the *Sahīḥ* of Imam Bukhārī by him.
- Shaykh Rushdī Qalam – studied *Fiqh*, *Naḥw*, *Balāghah* and *'Aqeedah* by him.

Past and Current Activities:

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

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Muḥammad Fakier Khan

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Early studies:

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

Later Education:

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

Qualifications:

- Completed *hifṭh* by Ḥāfiṭh Yūsuf Muḥammad at Dār al-'Ulūm 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 *Tayyibah*.
 - 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.
- Ḥāfiṭh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Mia – memorised sections of the Qur'ān by him.
- Ḥāfiṭh 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 Mu'adh 'Ali – studied Ḥadīth methodology and classification (*muṣṭalaḥ*), Islamic legal theory (*Uṣūl*), and *Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn* by him.
- Moulana Yāsīn 'Abbās – studied *'Aqīdah* by him.
- Moulana Yā'qūb 'Abd Allah (Malawi) – studied *Uṣul*, *Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī* 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*, *Hidāyah 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 *Tuḥfah*.

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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'ad Gabier.
- Completed first *khatm* by Imam 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.
- Learned *Tajwīd* from Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifẓ* by Imam 'Abd al-Raḥmān Salie.
- Continued *ḥifẓ* by Qāri Topia at Dār al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā, Gauteng.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* 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 Hadith at the University of Medina.
- Studied *Fiqh* 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 *Touhīd* by Sheikh Šālih Sindī, Sheikh Ibrāhīm al-Ruḥaylī, Sheikh ‘Abd al-Hādī al-Madkhalī.

Qualifications:

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

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 Mu‘addil.
 - 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 *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Sheikh Fu’ād Gabier – read and memorised sections of the Qur’ān by him.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Dāwūdī – completed *ḥifẓ* by him, and received *ijāzah* in Ḥafṣ from him.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Pākistānī – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – studied *Tajwīd* by him.

- Moulana Sulaymān Ables – studied *Ṣarf* by him.
- Moulana Mu‘ādh ‘Ali – did Islamic studies by him.
- Moulana Shāmīl 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 Khālīd Marghūb – studied Hadith by him.
- Sheikh Sulaymān al-Dhunayān – studied Hadith by him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Hujaylī – studied Hadith 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 Hadith by him.
- Sheikh ‘Umar ‘Ābidīn ibn Sayf Allah Raḥmānī – studied *Tadrīb al-Rāwī* of Imam Suyuṭī by him.

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 DUAİ in Strand.
- Studied for a year at Dār al-‘Ulūm Zakariyyā in Gauteng.
- Studied for 6 years at the University of Medina.

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- Currently assists with as Imam at Masjid al-Salām, St Athens Road, Athlone.
- 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 Hadith.
- 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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Muḥammad 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, Ḥāfiṭh Shahīd.
- Learnt the basics and essentials of *dīn* at the Azhar Primary (Egypt).

Later Education:

- Started *hifṭh* by his father, Ḥāfiṭh Shahīd.
- Completed *hifṭh* 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 *hifṭh* at the hands of his father, Ḥāfiṭh 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:

- Ḥāfiṭh Shāhid (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 Riḍā – recited the Qur'ān to him.
- Dr Ṣalāh 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'ī (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'i 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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Muḥammad Qāsim Dramat

Mother's name: Touḥīdah

Father's name: Sirāj

He always had the fervor to memorise the Qur'ān. 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'ān. At the age of 11 his parents conceded to him memorising the Qur'ān, which he accomplished in less than three years.

Studies:

- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.
- Completed his *ḥifḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.
- Completed one year at Dār al-Na'im.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifḥ* by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

Teachers:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams – completed his *ḥifḥ*, as well as received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.

Past and Current Activities:

- Currently at al-Azhar High School.

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- 2013/2014 – Performed the *Tarāwīh* Prayers at Castletown Masjid, Wynberg.
- Currently he is a student at al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences where he is studying *Tajwīd*, Arabic and reciting the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *turuq* of the *Tayyibah*.

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Muḥammad Rāfiq Salie

Mother's name: Najwah Salie

Father's name: Riḍwān Salie

Early Studies:

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

Later Studies:

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

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

- Moulana ‘Abd al-Raḥmān Khan in:
 - 1) The 40 Hadith 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 Riḍwān Berry – memorised 3 *juz* by him.
- Moulana Faḍl al-Dīn Anthony – memorised 5 *juz* by him.
- Sheikh Riḍwān Saiset – 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 ‘Alawī Akexander – 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 *ḥifḥ* 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 Joguee – completed *ḥifḥ* by him in September of 2014.

Past and Current Activities:

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

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- 2009 – 2010 – was a student at Dār al-Na‘īm, Wynberg.
- 2010 – 2011 – was a student at the Qurṛā’ 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 *ḥifḥ* classes on a full-time, and part-time bases for males.

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Muḥammad Riyaad 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 *ḥifẓ* on a fulltime basis.

Higher Education:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* at the hands Ḥāfiṭh 'Adnān Khatib under the tutelage of Moulana 'Ādil Johaar.
- Graduated from Darul Ulum Newcastle in 2004.
- Subsequently did post graduate studies at Darul Ulum al-Islamiyyah al-Arabiyyah (DUAI), Strand, from 2005 to the end of 2006.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Ḥāfiṭh 'Adnān Khatib.
- Completed the 'Ālim course at Darul Ulum Newcastle.
- Did post graduate studies at DUAU, Strand.

Moulana Riyād 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 *Jazariyyah*.
- 6) The text of Sheikh Sa'īd 'Abd Allah for the *ṭarīq* of the *Miṣbāh*.
- 7) The text of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the *ṭarīq* of the *Miṣbāh*.
- 8) The text of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān for the *ṭarīq* of the *Rouḍah*.
- 9) *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāṭh* of Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
- 10) *Umniyyah al-Walhān* of Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.

Moulana Riyād has received *ijazah* from various scholars of Ḥadīth such as Moulana Sema for the *Ṣaḥīḥ* of al-Bukhari, Moulana Yāsīn Abbas, Mufti Fayyād al-Raḥīm, Moulana 'Abd al-Ḥafīṭh Makki, Moulana Faḍl al-Raḥmān al-'Aṭḥamī, 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.
- Ḥāfiṭh 'Adnān Khatib – completed his memorisation of the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Basha – studied Arabic grammar and *Anwār al-Masālik* in Shāfi'ī *Fiqh* by him. Also read *Balāghah al-Wāḍiḥah* to him.
- Moulana Ni'mah 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-Maṣābiḥ* 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-Maṣābiḥ* and the *Sunan* of al-Tirmidhī to him.

- Muftī Fayyāḍ al-Rahīm – 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-Aṭhamī and *Kubrā al-Yaqīniyyaāt* by him. Also studied *Ilm al-Rijāl*, *Takhrīj al-Ḥadīth* and *Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth* by him. Read the *Musnad* of Imam al-Shāfī to him. Moulana Riyāḍ read numerous books on Ḥadīth and related subjects while under the tutelage 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 ʿUlūm al-Qurʾān* and *Tafsīr al-Jalālayn* to him.
- Moulana Ṭāḥā Karaan – read sections of *al-Tirmidhī* to him.
- Moulana ʿAbd 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*, *Ummiyyah al-Walḥān* of Samannūdī and various other texts to him.
- Sheikh ʿAbd Allah al-Jār Allah – heard (*Samāʿ*) *Laʿālīʿ al-Bayān* being read to him.

Students:

- Nazīr Majiet – he studied the *Bahjah* of Samannūdī, the text of Sheikh ʿĀmir Sayyid ʿUthmān, the poems of Sheikh Saʿīd ʿAbd Allah and Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the *ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ* by him.
- Sulaymān Mohamed – studying various texts by him, as well as reading the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah* to him.

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Past and Current Activities:

- Taught Ḥadīth at Dār al-Maḥāmid.
- Currently he is a lecturer at al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences.
- Currently studying and reading various *qirā'āt* to Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

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Muḥammad Ṣabīḥ philander

Mother's name: Rushān

Father's name: Zakariyyā

Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by his father, Moulana Zakariyyā.
- 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 *hifḥ* by his father, Moulana Zakariyyā.
- Memorised some portions of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Aḥmad.
- Completed *hifḥ* by Sheikh Fahmī Parker.

Qualifications:

- Completed *hifḥ* at Jam'iyah 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 *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān under his father's guidance, as well as studying the essentials of *dīn*.
- Sheikh Aḥmad –
- Sheikh Nadīm Amos –
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos –
- Sheikh Abdullah –
- Sheikh Fahmī Parker – completed *ḥifẓ* 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 'Āsim 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 1st place in the 2005 Rabita competition, in the 5 *juz* category.
- Attained 3rd place in the 2010 South African National Hifh Competition, organised by the Department of Quranic Affairs (DQA) and Rabita.
- Represented South Africa in the International Quran Awards in Dubai in 2011.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* at JEQ in 2012.
- Completed matric in 2012 at The Oracle Academy.

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- 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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Early studies:

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

Higher education:

- Memorised the Qur'ān at the expert hands of Moulana Fāruq Patel, a student of the recognised master, Sheikh Sāliḥ 'Abādī.
- While doing *ḥifẓ*, he also completed matric via Damelin Correspondence College.
- Completed the *Ālim* course at Dār al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā 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 Iṣḥāq.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Moulana Farouk Patel.
- Completed the *Ālim* course at Dār 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 Ishāq, receiving *ijāzah* from him.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Qāri Ayyūb ibn Ibrāhīm Ishāq (South Africa) in:
 - 1) The Seven and the 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, the *Durrah* and the *Ṭayyibah*.
 - 2) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 3) The *Shāṭibiyyah* and his *'Aqīlah*.
- Qāri Ismā'īl Ishāq (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 Mu'addil and *Miṣbāḥ*.
 - 3) The 10 *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrah*.
 - 4) The Four *Shādh Qirā'āt* of Ibn Muḥaysin, Ḥasan al-Basrī, Yaḥyā al-Yazīdī and A'mash.
 - 5) *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl*.
 - 6) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 7) *Al-Salsabil al-Shāfi* by 'Uthmān Murād.
 - 8) *Al-La'ālī' al-Bayān* by Samannūdī.
 - 9) *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāth* 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 *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 3) The *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Ṣalāḥ 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) The *Salsabīl al-Shāfi*
 - 5) All his transmissions and books.
 - Sheikh Muḥammad ibn Ibrāhīm Ya'qūbī (Syria) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥaḥṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 2) The *Muqaddimah 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 *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.

2) The *Shātibiyah*.

- Sheikh Ilyās Barmāwī (Medina) in:
 - 1) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 2) *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāth* 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 Toufiq Ḍamrah (Jordan) 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 *Shātibiyah*, the *Durrah* and the *Ṭayyibah*.
 - 2) All his transmissions to various books of *Qirā’āt*, *Tajwīd*, Hadīth etc.

Teachers:

- Sheikh 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 Farouk 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 'Alī – read *al-Tirmidhī* and other books of Hadith and *Fiqh* to him. Received *ijāzah 'āmmah* from him.
- Moulana 'Alā' al-Dīn – read various books of Hadith to him and received *ijāzah 'āmmah* from him.
- Qārī Ayyūb Iṣḥāq – 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.
- Qārī Ismā'il Iṣḥāq – received *ijāzah* from him in the Ten *Qirā'āt*.
- Sheikh Ismā'il Londt – learnt *maqāmāt* from him. Currently reciting the Qur'ān to him according to the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos – read up until the end of *Sūrah 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 *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 *Sūrah 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 *Sūrah al-Fātiḥah* and a portion of *Sūrah 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.
- Sheikha 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 *Qirā'āt* 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 Ḍamrah (Jordan) – 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-Aṭṭamī, Moulana Yūsuf Karaan, Sheikh Āmin Fakier and Sheikh Raḥmat Allah ibn 'Abd al-Ghanī al-Arkānī.

Students:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfi'ī (Malāwī) – completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* 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 *ṭarīq* 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, 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 has read the *uṣūl* of the *Shāṭibiyyah* from memory to Moulana Salīm. He received *ijāzah* for all that he read to the Sheikh.
- Sheikh Riḍwān Saiset – 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 the Sheikh.
- 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 the Sheikh.

- 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. Has also completed the *Qirā’ah* of ‘Āṣim and Ibn ‘Āmir al-Shāmī.
- Sheikh Ḥusayn Dalvie – completed the *Qirā’ah* of Ḥamzah and 20 *ajzā’* in the *Qirā’ah* of Ibn Kathīr.
- Hāfith I’jāz Muqaddam – 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. Hāfith I’jāz received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from Moulana Salīm in all Ten *Qirā’āt* after rendering them individually, reading some to him and the others to Sheikh ‘Abd al-Raḥmān Davids.
- Sheikh Sālīm Peck – completed the Seven *Qirā’āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* by him.
- Hāfith Mustaqīm Paulse – completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* as well as various *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* by him. Also completed various books of *Tajwīd* by him.
- Hāfith Ibrāhīm Darries – completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* as well as various *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* by him. Also completed various books of *Tajwīd* by him.
- Hāfith Luqmān Ben – completed the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* as well as various *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah* by him. Also completed various books of *Tajwīd* by him.
- Mu‘allimah ‘Ā’ishah Abrahams – studied many texts of *Tajwīd* and *Qirā’āt* by Moulana Salīm, as well as recite the entire Qur’ān to him in all Seven *Qirā’āt* via the *ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah*. She is the first female in South Africa to complete the study and rendition of the Seven *Qirā’āt*.

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'ah al-Dhahabiyyah fi ta'līmi Ṭarīqay al-Rouḍah wa al-Shāṭibiyyah* – a commentary on the *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāṭh* of Samannūdī and the text of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān on *qaṣr* of *munfaṣil* for Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Rouḍah*.
- *Ghunyah al-Ṭalabah fi Taysīr al-Sab'ah* – a primer on the rules for the Seven *Qirā'āt* and a brief commentary on the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- *Ṣafahāt fi Isnād Rijāl al-Qirā'āt* – biographies of contemporary *qurrā'* around the globe and their *sanads*.
- *'Ujūlah al-Nāfi'ah fi al-Qirā'āt al-'Arba' al-Zā'idah 'alā al-'Ashr al-Mutawātirah* – introduction to the Four Shādh (anomalous) *Qirā'āt*, as well as a commentary on the *Fawā'id al-Mu'tabarah* of Sheikh Mutawallī, which discusses the theory for these Four *Qirā'āt*.
- Various articles on *Tajwīd*.

Past and Current Activities:

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

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- 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 aims 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 Qur'ānic Sciences.

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Muḥammad Samuels

Mother's name: Zainab

Father's name: Muḥammad

Early studies:

- Attended Madrasah al-Nāṣirīn.
- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Khalifah Miraaḡ Jacobs.
- Completed first *khatm* by Khalifah Miraaḡ Jacobs.

Higher Education:

- Completed grade 10 at Beacon Hill High School.
- Started *ḥifẖḥ* by Miraaḡ Jacobs.
- Completed *ḥifẖḥ* by Moulana Yūnus Rodha at Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle.
- Studied Arabic.

Qualifications:

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

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

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

Teachers:

- Khalifah Miraaḡ Jacobs – learnt to recite the Qur’ān by him. Also started *ḥifḥ* by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Rodha – completed his *ḥifḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Riḡā Sālim – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ and Shu‘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* and the *Jazariyyah* by him.
- Ḥāfith Yūsuf Valli Kala.

Past and Current Activities:

- Performs “*imāmah*”.
- Teaches *ḥifḥ*.
- Offers adult Quranic literacy classes.

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Father's name: Amīr al-Dīn Ebrahim

Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān 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 *ḥifẓh*.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Imtiyāz Isaacs in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the above-mentioned *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.
 - 2) The *Tuḥfah*.
- Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.

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 *Touḍīh al-Ma‘ālim* by him. Also received *ijāzah* from him the narration of Ḥafṣ via certain *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*, as well as receiving *ijāzah* from him for the *Tuḥfah*.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – received *ijāzah* from him for the *Tuḥfah*.
- Sheikh Zahīr Kamaldien – recited 25 *juz* to him in the *Qirā’ah* of ‘Āṣim.

Past and Current Activities:

- Attended JEQ for four years.
- Represented JEQ in three competitions.
- Studied at Dār al-Na‘īm Institute for Higher Islamic Studies.
- Studied Qur’ānic sciences at the Qurrā’ Development Program.
- Currently in Egypt furthering his studies in the Qur’ān.

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Muḥammad Shahīd August

Mother's name: Naseba

Father's name: Muḥammad Sedick

Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by Khalifah Hājirah 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 *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Mubārik Taliep.
- Completed his *ḥifẓ* by Moulana Farīd Isaacs and Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor.
- Did Arabic studies at Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ*.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Hārūn Moos in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Rouḍah*.
- Sheikh Iḥsān 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 *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Moulana Ibrāhīm Gaffoor – completed his *ḥifṭḥ* 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 *ḥifṭḥ* 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 *Tuḥfah*.

Past and Current Activities:

- Taught at Sheikh Yūsuf Booley's *ḥifṭḥ* school at Sheikh Yūsuf's house.
- Taught *ḥifṭḥ* at Jam'iyat al-Qurrā' (JEQ).
- Taught *ḥifṭḥ* with Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids.
- Currently teaches *ḥifṭḥ* with Sheikh Hārūn Moos at Imam Nawawi Institute for Quranic studies, Grassy Park.

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Muḥammad Yūsuf Hendricks

Mother's name: Firdous

Father's name: Iḥsān

Early studies:

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

Higher Education:

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

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Moulana 'Abd al-'Azīz Vallie.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- 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 *ḥifẓ* 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 'Aṭīyyah – 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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Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qurʾān by Sheikh Fuʾād Gabier.
- Completed first *khatm* by Sheikh ʿAbd al-Raḥmān Salie.

Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifẓh* by Sheikh ʿAbd al-Raḥmān Salie.
- Completed *ḥifẓh* by Sheikh ʿAbd 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 *ḥifẓh* in 2000.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Muḥammad Ibn ʿĀshūr (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The *Qirāʾat* of Nāfiʿ, Ibn Kathīr, Abū ʿAmr, Ibn ʿĀmir, ʿĀṣim, Kisāʾī and the narration of Khalaf.
 - 2) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- Sheikh Muḥammad al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The *Jazariyyah*.

- Sheikh Muḥammad ʿUmar ʿAṭiyyah (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- Sheikh ʿAli al-Zanātī (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The *Qirāʾah* of ʿĀṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *ṭarīq* of the *Rouḍah* of Muʿaddil and the *Miṣbāḥ*.
 - 3) The *Qirāʾah* of Abū ʿAmr Basri via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 4) The *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 5) The *Jazariyyah*.
 - 6) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.

Teachers:

- Sheikh Fuʿād Gabier – learnt to recite the Qurʾān by him.
- Sheikh ʿAbd al-Raḥmān Salie – completed *ḥifṭh* of the Qurʾān by him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad ʿĀshūr – completed the Seven *Qirāʾāt* by him, excluding the narration of Khallād.
- Abū Muḥammad ʿUmar ʿAṭiyyah – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him for the *Tuḥfah*.
- Sh Muḥammad al-Zanātī – received *sanad* and *ijazah* from him for the *Jazariyyah*.
- Sh ʿAbd Allah Bayyūmī – recited 15 *juz* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.

Students:

- ʿAli Khalfe – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Warsh via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.³⁵

³⁵ ʿAli Khalfe is not a ḥāfiṭh and therefore his profile does not appear in this database.

Past and Current Activities:

- Currently studying in Egypt.
- Currently studying and memorising the *Shāṭibiyyah* with Sheikh 'Āshūr.
- Reading the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim to Sheikh al-Zanāṭī.

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Munawwar Harneker

Mother's name: Roshanjahan

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Early studies:

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

Higher Education:

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

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- B.A. Islamic Studies at IPSA (International Peace College South Africa).
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- Completed *hifẓ* by Sheikh Isma'īl Berdien.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Isma'īl Berdien in:

- 1) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Aṣim via the *Shaṭibiyyah*.
- 2) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzuri.
- 3) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.

- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids in:

- 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzuri.
- 2) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:

- 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzuri.
- 2) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.

- Sheikh Riḍwān Saiet in:

- 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *turuq* of the *Tayyibah*.

Teachers:

- Ḥafiṭh Abu Bakr Majiet – started *ḥifṭh* by him.
- Ḥafiṭh Habib Kagee – continued *ḥifṭh* by him.
- Sheikh Isma'il Berdien – completed *ḥifṭh* by him.
- Sheikh Muntahā Kenny – revised the Qur'an by him.
- Sheikh Riḍwān Ismail – recited a *khatm* to him.
- Ḥafiṭh 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* with him.
- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids – studied the *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah* with him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – studied *Tajwīd* with him.
- Sheikh Muḥammad Philander – studied 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān with him.

- Moulana ‘Abd al-Raḥmān Khan – studied part of Imam al-Nawawi’s *Tibyān* with him.
- Sheikh Ḥanīf Kamaar – studied Arabic with him.
- Sheikh Dāwūd Terreblanche – studied basic *Fiqh* with him.
- Sheikh Ibrāhīm Moos – studied *Muṣṭalah al-Ḥadīth* with him.
- Sheikh Fakhr al-Dīn Uwaisi – studied the history of Islam in Africa with him.
- Sheikh Naḥīm Taliēp – studied Arabic with him.
- Sheikh Mahdi Hendricks – studied *Tafsīr* with him.
- Sheikh Dr. Auwais Rafudeen – studied ‘Aqīdah with him.
- Sheikh Dr. Ḥusayn Ebrahim – studied Religious Studies with him.
- Sheikh Dr. ‘Abd al-Karīm Toffar – studied *Fiqh* and *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* with him.

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

- *Kitāb al-Tilāwah 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 Waḥdāniyyah 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 āalā 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.
- *Faḍā’il al-Qur’ān wa Ḥamalatihī wa al-Ḥath-th ‘alā Tahfīṭihī wa at-Taḥdhīr min Nisyānihī* – The Virtues of the Qur’ān and of its Bearers and an

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Encouragement for Memorising it and a Warning against Forgetting it. A compilation of forty *ahādīth* regarding the virtues of the Qur'ān and its people and the reward one receives for memorising the Noble Qur'ān.

Past and Current Activities:

- Taught Saturday *madrāsah* classes at the Heathfield Madrasah.
- Taught an online Arabic course.
- Taught an online *Tajwīd* course.
- Taught a *Tajwīd* course at Masjid al-Husayn, 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.
- Edits translations of *ahādīth* for Adage (a not-for-profit translation company devoted to the production of the first online database of hadith).
- Currently a student at al-Tanzil Institute of Quranic Sciences where he is studying the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the Seven *Qirā'āt*.
- Currently he is a teacher at al-Azhar High School, Cape Town.
- Currently reciting the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī to Moulana Iḥsān Smith.

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Munīr Satardien

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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 'Afifī (Egypt).

Later studies:

- Started his *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- Completed his *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Ḥasanayn Jibrīl.
- Studied *Fiqh* 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 *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Sheikh Ḥasanayn Jibrīl – completed his *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Sheikh Maḥmūd Amīn Ṭanṭāwī – read 15 juz in the *Qirā'ah* of Ḥamzah to him.
- Sheikh ‘Abd Allah Bayyūmī – recited most of the Qur’ān to him.
- Sheikh Aḥmad – 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 *maqāmāt*.
- 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 Quṭb – studied *maqāmāt* by him.
- Sheikh Raslān al-Badawī – studied *Tajwīd* by him and recited a few *juz* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.

Past and current activities:

- Was a teacher at the J.E.Q. Boys Hāfith Institute in Schaapkraal.
- A teacher at Al-Amīn Hāfith Institute founded by himself and Sheikh ‘Ali Davids.

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Mustaqīm Paule

Mother's name: Māshiyah

Father's name: Khayr Allah

Early studies:

- Learned to recite the Qur'an by his mother.

Higher Studies:

- Started *hifẓ* by Moulana 'Ādil Williams.
- Memorised 12 *juz* by Ḥāfiẓ Aḥmad Wādī.
- Completed *hifẓ* by Qāri Qāsim Dāwūd Shehri.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Qāri Qāsim Dāwūd Shehri.
- Matriculated via CPUT (Cape Town Univeristy of Technology).

Qualifications:

- Completed *hifẓ* by Qāri Qāsim Dāwūd Shehri.

Ḥāfiẓ Mustaqīm Paule 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-Qāri* by Moulana Salīm.
 - 4) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
 - 5) Commentary of Sheikh al-Ḍabbā' on the *Tuḥfah*.
 - 6) The *Jazariyyah*.
 - 7) The text of Sheikh Sa'īd 'Abd Allah for the *ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ*.
 - 8) The text of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the *ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ*.

- 9) The text of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān for the *ṭarīq* of the *Rouḍah*.
- 10) *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāṭḥ* of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdi.
- 11) Commentary of Khālid al-Azharī on the *Jazariyyah*.
- 12) Commentary of Sheikh Zakariyyā al-Anṣārī on the *Jazariyyah*.

Teachers:

- His mother, Māshiyah – learned how to recite the Qur'ān by her, as well as the essentials of *dīn*.
- Moulana Sharīf Adams – started *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Moulana 'Ādil Williams – continued *ḥifẓ* 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* 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 Russ – studied sections of Imam Ghazālī'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.
- 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.
- Moulana Shabīr Galant – studied Hadith and *Fiqh* by him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – read a *khatm* to him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibiyah* and the *Ṭayyibah*, as well as the narration of Shu'bah via the *Shātibiyah*. Also studied various texts in *Tajwīd* and *Qirā'āt* by him, as well as '*Ulūm al-Qur'ān*.

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- Moulana Azhar Pathan – studied *Muṣṭalah al-Ḥadīth* and *Sīrah* by him.
- Moulana Sulaymān Ables – did Qur'ān translation by him.

Past and Current Activities:

- Studied three years at Dār al-'Ulūm Zakariyyā in Gauteng.
- Currently in his fifth year at Dār al-'Ulūm al-'Arabiyyah al-Islāmiyyah, Strand.
- Currently reciting the Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* to Moulana Salīm Gaibie.

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Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān 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 *ḥifẓh* by Sheikh Yūsuf Agherdien.
- Completed *ḥifẓh* 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 Ubaiyy and the Tayyibah al-Nashr Institute for Qur'ānic Sciences.
- Previously studied at Dār al-Na'im, Institute of Higher Islamic Studies, Wynberg.
- Completed Four Modules of the Qurrā' Development Program.

Qualifications:

- Completed his *ḥifẓh* in 2012.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.
 - 2) The *Jazariyyah*.
 - 3) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.
 - 2) The *Jazariyyah*.

- Sheikh Riḍwān Saiet in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.
 - 2) The *ṭuruq* of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.

- Sheikh Sālīm 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.
 - 2) The text of Sheikh 'Āmir Sayyid 'Uthmān.
 - 3) The poem of Sheikh Sa'īd 'Abd Allah for the *ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ*.
 - 4) The poem of Sheikh Zāyid Shanqīṭī for the *ṭarīq* of *Miṣbāḥ*.

- Ḥāfiṭh 'Alawī Alexander in:
 - 1) The *Salsabīl al-Shāfi*.

Teachers:

- Sheikh Yūsuf Agherdien – studied *ṣalāh*, the essentials of *dīn* and the *Murshid al-Qāri* by him. He also completed his *ḥifṭh* 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 *Tuḥfah*.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – received *ijāzah* from him for the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*.
- Moulana ‘Ali Gouder – 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 Sālīm 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 Riḍwān Saiet – recited the narration of Ḥafṣ to him via the *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.

Students:

Ḥafīṭh ‘Abd Allah Petersen – recited a *khatm* to him in the *Qirā’ah* of Kisā’ī and received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.

Past and Current Activities:

- Previously studied at Ma’had al-Lughah al-‘Arabiyyah studying Arabic and *Fiqh*. Here he studied *Kāfi al-Mubtadi’* by Sheikh Anwar Adamson.
- Lead the *Tarāwīḥ* Prayers at the Jumu‘ah Masjid in Milnerton in 2014.

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- He attained the first position in the Town Centre Ḥifḥ al-Qur'ān competition held in 2014.
- Currently teaching *ḥifḥ* at Taronga Road Masjid.
- 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.

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Father's name: Nazīm Mohamed

Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by her father, Nazīm.
- Completed her first *khatm* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).

Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifẖh* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).
- Completed *ḥifẖh* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (2000-2005).
- Studied at Kitābī Academy (*ḥifẖh* revision class).
- Studied at IT Business Campus: the Office Admin Microsoft for Beginners course.
- Completed 11 levels at Markaz Fajr, Cairo.

Qualifications:

- Completed her *ḥifẖh* in 2005.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikha 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*.

Teachers:

- Sheikha Rābi'ah – intensive *Tajwīd* training, studying the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by her.

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- Sheikha Umm 'Abd al-Raḥmān – *Tajwīd* training and Qur'ān revision by her.
- Sheikha Amānī – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from her in the *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim.

Past and Current Activities:

- Qur'ān and *ḥifẓ* tuition to private students.
- Taught at Habibia Madrassah for the duration of two months.
- Was previously a teacher at Jam'iyah al-Qurrā' Girls Hāfith Institute (2011).
- Was also a teacher at Dār Ahl al-Qur'ān (DARAQ) in 2012.
- Currently in Cairo to further her studies.

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Rāḍiyah Bawa

Mother's name: Hājar

Father's name: ʿUthmān

Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qurʾān by her mother and father.
- Completed first *khatm* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.

Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- Completed three year course at Dār-un-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 Qurʾānic studies.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Aḥmad Zakī Ṭulbah (Egypt) in:

- 1) *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl*.
 - 2) The *Jazariyyah*.
 - 3) The *Qirā'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 4) The *Qirā'ah* of Ibn Kathīr via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt (South Africa) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Mu'addil.
 - Sheikha Ghādah (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
 - 1) *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāth* by Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
 - 2) *Matn* of Sheikh 'Āmir 'Uthmān for *qaṣr* in Ḥafṣ.
 - 3) The *Jazariyyah*.
 - 4) *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl*.
 - 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 Ismā'īl Londt – completed her *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Rouḍah* of Mu'addil by him.

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- 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 *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāth* of Sheikh Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
- Ahmad Zaki Ṭulbah (Egypt) – completed her *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the *Qirā’āt* of ‘Āṣim and Ibn Kathīr, the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī and the *Jazariyyah*.
- Sheikha Ghādah (Egypt) – the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

Past and Current Activities:

- Perpetual student.
- Private teacher of the Qur’ān and other Islamic subjects.
- Principal of Dārūn Na’īm li-Zuhur (Taronga Road Mosque).

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Razīn Gopal

Mother's name: Khadījah

Father's name: Muḥammad Amīn

Studies and Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓh* 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 Heidebuchel (a prodigy of the great Sunny Jackman). Following this he moved to St Bartholomews in London, where he was mentored by the world-rekknowned 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 Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Mu'addil.
- 3) The *Jazariyyah*.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:

- 1) The narration of Qālūn via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- 2) The *Qirā'ah* 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 Ismā'īl 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 *ajzā'* in the narration of Sūsī to Sheikh Ismā'īl.
- Read the narration of Warsh to Sheikh Aḥmad Sa'd (Imam of North London central mosque).

Activities:

- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in Mauritius with Sheikh Ismā'īl 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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Riḍwān Rhoda

Mother's name: Wasīlah

Father's name: Sirāj

Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by his father as well as 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 *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Salie, a student of the luminary Sheikh Ṣāliḥ 'Abādī.
- Completed his *ḥifẓ* 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 Qurra' Development Program.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥīm Salie.
- Qualified fitter and turner.
- Qualified canmaker – City and Guilds of London accreditation.

Hāfith Riḍwān received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Davids (South Africa) in:

- 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
- 2) The *Jazariyyah*.
- 3) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- 4) The narration of Shu'bah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) 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*.
- Hāfith Nūr Hendricks – revised the Qur'ān with him.
- Sheikh Rafiq Nackerdien – studied Arabic with him.
- Sheikh 'Ādil Davids – studied Arabic and Hadith by him.
- Moulana Iḥsān Hendricks – studied Arabic and *Fiqh* by him.
- Sheikh Ṭḥāfir Najjār – studied Arabic and *Fiqh* 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'ah* of 'Āṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*. He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for all that he completed 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.

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-Raḥīm Salie.
 - Masjid Burhān al-Islām (Longmarket Street) with Dr Ṣāliḥ Adams.
 - Muhammadiyyah Masjid (Tennyson Street, Salt River) with Mi‘rāj al-Dīn Abrahams.
 - Breda Street Masjid (Paarl) with Moulana Qāsim Baderoen.
 - Wellington Masjid with Imam ‘Abd al-Raḥmān Salie, Sheikh Rafīq Nackerdien, Hāfith Muḥammad Nūr Allie and Hāfith Muḥammad Abrahams.
 - Masjid Ma‘had al-Islām (Paarl) with Hāfith ‘Abbās Moerat, Moulana Muḥammad Allie and Hāfith ‘Abd Allah Rhoda.
- Currently teaches *ḥifẓh*.
- Currently reading the *Qirā’ah* of Kisā’ī to Sheikh Iḥsān Davids.

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Hāfith Riḍwān currently resides in Paarl.

Riḍwān 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 *ḥifẖh* by Moulana Sulaymān Goga (Dār al-'Ulūm Newcastle).
- Completed *ḥifẖh* by Mufti 'Abd al-Qādir Ḥusayn (Newcastle).
- Did revision by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- After completing *ḥifẖh*, he was examined by Sheikh Ṣāliḥ 'Abādī, Sheikh Yūsuf Booley, Imam Shams al-Dīn, Sheikh Qāsim 'Abd al-Ra'ūf, Sheikh Yūsuf Gabier, Hāfith Nawawī Van De Ross and Sheikh Abū Bakr Najjār.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẖh* by Mufti 'Abd al-Qādir Ḥusayn.

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 Iḥsān Davids in:
 - 1) *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl* of Jamzūrī.

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.
 - 2) *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl* of Jamzūrī.
 - 3) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 4) *Touḍīḥ al-Maʿālim* by ʿAli al-Naḥḥās.
 - 5) *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāṭḥ* by Ibrāhīm Samannūdī.
 - 6) *Matn* of Sheikh ʿĀmir ʿUthmān for *qaṣr* in Ḥafṣ.
- Sheikh Ismāʿīl Londt in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Muʿaddil.

Teachers:

- Moulana Quṭb al-Dīn – learnt the essentials of *dīn* by him.
- Imam ʿAbd 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-Shāfī (Malawi) – read the *Qirāʾah* of ʿĀsim 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 *Ṭayyibah* until *Sūrah Yūnus*, as well the differences in the narration of Shuʿbah via the *Shāṭibiyyah*. He also read the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī, the *Jazariyyah*, *Touḍīḥ al-Maʿālim fī Ṭuruq Ḥafṣ ʿan ʿĀsim* to the sheikh. He received *ijāzah* and *sanad* from Moulana Salīm for all that he studied by him.

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Students:

- Naṭḥīr Majiet – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Ṭayyibah*, as well as the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*.
- Munawwar Harneker – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Ṭayyibah*.

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 *ḥifṭḥ* at Dār al-Qur'ān, 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 Qurra' Development Program (QDP) which runs under the Department of Qur'ānic Affairs.
- Taught *ḥifṭḥ* at Dār Ubaiyy which runs under the auspices of Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt.
- Was actively involved in the running of the Qurra' Development Program.
- Taught *ḥifṭḥ* at Islamia High School.
- Also conducts Qur'ān literacy classes for the deaf.
- Currently reading the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī to Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids.
- Currently teacher and vice principal of al-Tanzīl Institute of Quranic Sciences.

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The Sheikh currently resides in Rylands.

Ruqayyah Samsodien

Mother's name: Zaynab

Father's name: Ḥusayn

Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān 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 *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley in two years and remained an extra year for revision.
- Completed a two-year Arabic Diploma at Abū al-Nūr Institute, Syria.
- Studied for three years in the Faculty of Sharī'ah at al-Fatḥ University, Syria.

Qualifications:

- Completed her *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Yūsuf Booley.
- BA Honours from University of Western Cape (UWC).

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikhaḥ 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 *ḥifẓh* by him.
- Sheikhaĥ Ānisah Mayyās – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from her in the narration of Ḥafṣ.
- Sheikh Abū al-Ḥasan Muḥy al-Dīn al-Kurdī – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Majdhūb – studied Hadith by him.
- Ustādh Yahyā – studied Arabic by him.
- Sheikh Rāqib al-Nābulusī – studied 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān and the Sunnah by him.
- Sheikh Sāmīr Naṣṣ – studied Hanafī *Fiqh* by him.
- Sheikh Ḥusayn Darwesh – studied Shāfi'ī *Fiqh* by him, with reference to *Mughnī al-Muḥtāj* and the text of Abū Shujā' and *Anwār al-Masālik*.
- Ustādh Walīd – studied Shāfi'ī *Fiqh* by him.

Past and Current Activities:

- Was previously the Principal and Jam'īyyah al-Qurrā' Girls Hāfith School (JEQ Girls).
- Was also Deputy Principal at JEQ Girls.

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Sājidah Abrahams

Father's name: Ḥanīf Abrahams

Mother's name: Kāmilah Davis Abrahams

Early studies:

- Learnt to read Qur'ān by her parents.

Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifẓh* by Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres.
- Completed *ḥifẓh* by her sister, 'Ā'ishah Abrahams in 2009.
- Islamic courses:

2009 – Completed *ḥifẓh*.

2009– Started studies at DQA's Qurrā' Development Program and completed Module 1.

2010– Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the *Tuḥfah, Bahjahal-Luḥḥaṭh* 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-un-Na'im.

2011 – Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the *Jazariyyah*.

2012 – Completed module 6 and 7 of DQA's Qurrā' Development Program.

2012 – Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from Moulana Salīm Gaibie for the book, *Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān*, by Sheikha Karīmah Carol Czerepinski.

2012 – Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan for the 40 Ḥadīth of Mullā 'Ali al-Qārī 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 Qurra' Development Programme.

Qualifications:

- Completed the memorisation of the Qur'ān by her sister, 'Ā'ishah.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh 'Abd al-Raḥmān Davids in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
 - 2) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 3) The *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl*.
 - 4) The *Bahjah al-Luḥḥāṭh* of Samannūdī.
 - 5) Text of Sheikh 'Āmir in *qaṣr* of *munfaṣil* for Ḥafṣ.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
 - 1) *Tajweed Rules of the Qur'ān* by Sheikhah Kareema Czerepinski.
 - 2) *Faṭḥ al-Karīm al-Mannān* of 'Ali al-Ḍabbā'.
- Qāri Ayyūb Ishāq in:
 - 1) The *Jazariyyah*.

Teachers:

- Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres – started *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān by her.
- 'Ā'ishah Abrahams (sister) – completed *ḥifẓ* 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 Abdullah Aḥmad – memorised a portion of the Qur'ān by him.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder – studied *Naḥw*, *Tarjamah*, *Mirāth* and *Aqidah* by him.

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- Moulana Zahīr Parker – studied *Ṣarf*, *Tarjamah*, Ḥadīth, and *Fiqh* by him.
- Moulana Yūnus Keraan – studied *Fiqh*, *Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth*, *Sīrah* and *Tarbiyah* by him.
- Moulana Muḥammad Carr – studied *Fiqh* 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 *Miṣbah* 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.

Past and Current Activities:

- Volunteer with Discover Islam's Dawah Caravan.
- Assistant tutor at Dārun-Na'im.
- Facilitate with the Discover Islam tarbiyyah girls camp 2012/2013.

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- Currently she is reading the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *tarīq* of the *Miṣbah* and the *Rouḍah* of Ibn Mu‘addil to Sheikh ‘Abd al-Raḥmān Davids.
- Currently doing the third year at Dār-un-Na‘īm.
- Currently doing an online Qur’ān Diploma Course conducted by Sheikha S. Kamaluddin Aḥmad.
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Sālim Peck

Sheikh Sālim Peck is the first person to complete the study of the Seven *Qirā'āt* and the *Shātibiyah* 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 Yūsufiyah 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-Na'īm 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 Dār al-'Ulūm (DUAI) in Strand.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* 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 Mu'addil.

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

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

- Moulana Salīm Gaibie in:
 - 1) *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl* of Jamzūrī.
 - 2) The Seven *Qirā'āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

Teachers:

- Sulaymān Peck – recitation of Qur'ān and started *ḥifṭh* 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 *ḥifṭh* 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 Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭarīq* of the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

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- Ustādh Aḥmad (Egypt) – learnt *Tajwīd* from him.
- Sheikh Majdī Bāshā (Egypt) – read the entire Qurʾān to him and received *ijāzah* and *sanad* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭarīq* of the *Rouḍah*.
- Sheikh Aḥmad Yusuf Dubānah (Syria) – learnt *Tajwīd* from him.
- Sheikh Sāmīr Naṣṣ (Syria) – learnt *Tajwīd* from him.
- Sheikh ʿĀdil Abu Shaʿr (Syria) – learnt *Tajwīd* from him.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie – read the entire Qurʾān to him incorporating all Seven *Qirāʾāt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿī (Malawi) – studied *Hidāyah al-Qāri* of ʿAbd al-Fattāḥ al-Marṣāfi by him, as well as read the *Qirāʾah* of Kisāʿī to him.

Students:

- Sheikh Abū Muḥammad Idrīs al-Shāfiʿī – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from Sheikh Sālīm in the narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Rouḍah*.
- Sheikh ʿAbd 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 Muʿaddil, as well as the *Qirāʾah* of Kisāʿī to him.
- Hafith Nazīr Majiet – completed the *Qirāʾāt* of Ibn Kathīr, Abū ʿAmr Basri and Kisāʿī by him, receiving *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him.

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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'ān by her mother.
- Completed her first *khatm* by her mother.

Higher Education:

- Started *hifḥ* by Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres.
- Completed her *hifḥ* 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 *hifḥ* of the Qur'ān by Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams in 2006.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams (South Africa) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Mu'addil.

Student:

- Mas'ūdah Salie Abrahams – completed her *hifḥ* by Mu'allimah Sakīnah.

Past and current activities:

- Part time *hifḥ* teacher since 2006.
- Full time *hifḥ* teacher at Dār al-Na'im Hifh division since 2007.

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- Currently studying and reciting to 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.

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Mu'allimah Sakīnah currently resides in Lotus River.

Shakir Davids³⁶

He received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh ‘Abd Allah (Pakistan) in:
 - 1) The Ten *Qirā’āt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrah*.

³⁶ 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'ān by her father, 'Abd al-Razzāq.
- Completed her first *khatm* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).

Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).
- Completed *ḥifẓ* 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 Tahfith al-Qur'ān College in Azizia, Mecca.
- Did *Tajwīd* training and revision with Sheikah 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 *ḥifẓ* in 2002.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikah 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 Shu'bah via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Ṭayyibah*.
- Sheikha Rābi'ah – intensive *Tajwīd* training, studying the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by her.

Students:

- Muṣaddiqah Brown – completed *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān.
- 'Ā'ishah Brinkhuis – completed *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān.
- Maryam Sasman – completed *ḥifẓ* of the Qur'ān.

Past and Current Activities:

- Taught Qur'ān literacy to Egyptian learners in Cairo.
- Taught *ḥifẓ* at Jam'iyah al-Qurrā' (JEQ).
- Taught *ḥifẓ* 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 Tahfith al-Qur'ān at DARAQ in 2011.
- Currently vice Principal and Teacher at DARAQ, Girls Ḥāfith School.
- Teacher at Madrassah al-Atfāl.

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- Offers Qur'ān and *ḥifẓ* tuition to private students.

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Shahīd Martin

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Father's name: Dāwūd

Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by Boeta Salīm Davids (Imam).
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos at Madrasat al-Najāḥ.

Higher Education:

- Started *hifḥ* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.
- Completed *hifḥ* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.
- Studied *Fiqh* by Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos.
- Completed 8 modules of the Qurra' 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 *hifḥ* 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.

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- Sheikh Ḥanīf Moos – completed his *ḥifḥ* 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 *maqāmāt* 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: Āminah Mohamed

Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'ān by Sheikh 'Abd al-Karīm Davids.
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Ismā'īl Berdien and Hafith 'Uthmān Floris.
- Studied basic *Fiqh*, *Tajwīd* and Arabic at Jami'yyat al-Qurrā' (JEQ).

Higher Education:

- Started *hifẓh* by Hafith Abū Bakr Taliep, Sheikh Faqīr Parker and Moulana 'Abd al-Azīz Valley.
- Completed *hifẓh* by Hafith Adnān Khatieb.

Qualifications:

- Completed his *hifẓh*.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Ismāī Berdien in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Abd al-Karīm Davids in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.

Teachers:

- 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 Ismā‘īl 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.
- Hafith ‘Uthmān Floris – completed his first *khatm* by him.
- Hafith Abū Bakr Taliep – started his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Sheikh Faqīr Parker – started his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Moulana ‘Abd al-‘Azīz Valley – started his *ḥifṭḥ* by him.
- Hafith 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 Qurra’ 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 Ismā‘īl Berdien.
- He is currently read the Qirā’ah of Kisā’ī to Hafith ‘Alawī Alexander.
- 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 Ḥafṣ via the *ṭuruq* of the *Ṭayyibah*.

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Ṭahā Ibrāhīm Truter

Mother's name: Ḥamīdah Truter

Father's name: Ibrāhīm Mūsā Truter

Early studies:

- Learnt to read the Qur'ān by Jam'iyyah al-Qurrā' Hafith Institute (JEQ).
- Completed his first *khatm* by Sheikh Majdī 'Īsā.

Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifẓ* by Jam'iyyah al-Qurrā'.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Jam'iyyah al-Qurrā'.
- Completed nine levels of Arabic at Markaz Fajr, Cairo.
- Currently studying at al-Azhar Institute.

Qualifications:

- Completed his *ḥifẓ* 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 ‘Aṭīyyah (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*.

Teachers:

- 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 ‘Aṭīyah – 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 Ḥafṣ by him.
- Sheikh ‘Ali ibn Muḥammad Toufīq al-Naḥḥās – received *ijāzah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ 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*.

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- Sheikh Rajā'ī – completed the narration of Qālūn via the *Shāṭibiyyah* by him.

Past and Current Activities:

- Taught at Jam'iyah 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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Ṭāhirah Brown

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Father's name: 'Abd al-Raḥīm

Early studies:

- Learnt to recite the Qur'an by her father.
- Finished her first *khatm* by Sheikha 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 *ḥifẓ* by 'Ā'ishah Ceres.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikha 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 *ḥifẓ* by Sheikha Umm Sārī (Egypt).

She received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikha Umm Sārī (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibīyyah*.
 - 2) The narration of Shu'bah via the *Shātibīyyah*.
 - 3) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Ṭayyibah*.

- Sheikh Hārūn Moos (Cape Town) in:

1) The *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī.

Teachers:

- 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. Sheikhhah Umm Sārī – memorised the entire Qur'ān by her in the *Qirā'ah* of 'Aṣīm, Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*, and Shu'bah via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Tayyibah*. She received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for all that she read to the Sheikhhah.
- Sheikhhah Ibtihāj (Egypt) – initial *ḥifẓh*, *Qirā'āt* and *Tafsīr*.
- Sheikhhah 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 *ḥifẓh* with him.
- Sheikh Hārūn Moos – completed the *Qirā'ah* of Kisā'ī by him.

Past and Current Activities:

- Assistant Qur'ān teacher at Quds Madrasah, Gatesville.
- Hāfith teacher of the female section at Imam Hafṣ Hifh Academy.
- Taught Qur'ānic literacy at Hafith Academy (Gatesville).
- Assistant *ḥifẓh* teacher at J.E.Q. Girls.
- Currently has her own school where she teaches Qur'ānic reading and its related sciences.

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- Currently reading the *Qirā'ah* of Abū 'Amr al-Basri to Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Abrahams.
- Also reading the *Qirā'ah* of Ya'qūb via the *Durrah* to Sheikh Hārūn Moos.

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Wardah bint Ismā'īl Mohamed

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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 Madrasah al-Amīn in Crawford.

Higher Education:

- Started *ḥifẓ* by Mu'allimah Rāḍiyah Mollagee at Madrasah al-Amīn. She completed five *ajzā'* with her.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* at 'Abd Allah ibn Mas'ūd Hāfith Institute by Sheikh Muḥammad Adams (Kensington).
- Studied the first two volumes of Sheikha Kareema Czerepinski, *Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān* (the 3rd volume was not published at that time) with Sheikh Muḥammad Adams. Also studied the *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah* by him.
- Studied the books of Sheikha Kareemah and the *Jazariyyah* with Sheikha Rabī'ah Shad – a student of Sheikha 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-Na'im Institute of Higher Islamic Learning:
 - 1st year - *Naḥw*, *Ṣarf*, Qur'ān translation.

- 2nd year - *Umdah al-Sālik, Al-Tibyān fī 'Ulum al-Qur'ān, al-Kāfi al-Wāfi, Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn, Bulūg al-Marām, Ṣafwah al-Tafāsīr, 'Aqīdah, Muṣṭalah al-Ḥadīth*, Laws of inheritance (*Mīrāth*).
- 3rd year - *Jāmi' al-Tirmidhī* and *Fiqh al-Sīra* of Sheikh Ramaḍān Al-Būṭī.
- 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 8th module at the Qurrā' Development Program (QDP):
 - *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'ālī' al-Bayān* by Samannūdī – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the book from Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
 - *Al-Salsabil al-Shāfi* by 'Uthmān Murād.
 - *Ghunyah al-Ṭalabah fī Taysīr al-Sab'ah* on the *uṣūl* of the Seven *Qirā'āt*.
 - *Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān* by Sheikha Kareema Carol Czerepinski – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for her books from Moulana Salīm Gaibie.
 - *Al-Tibyān fī Ādābi Ḥamala al-Qur'ān* – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* for the book from Moulana 'Abd al-Raḥmān Khan.
 - *Fayḍ al-Mu'īn 'alā Jam' al-'Arba'īn fī Faḍl 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.
 - *Akhlāq Ḥamalah 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 *ḥifẓ* 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) *La'ālī' al-Bayān* of Samannūdī.
 - 4) *Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān* of Sheikha Kareema Carol Czerepinski.

- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt in:
 - 1) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.

- Qāri Ayyūb Ishāq in:
 - 1) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.

Teachers:

- 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 Sheikha Kareema, as well as the *Jazariyyah* by him.

- Sheikha Rabī'ah Shad – studied *Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān* of Sheikha Kareema as well as the *Jazariyyah* by her.
- Moulana 'Ali Goder – studied Arabic grammar, Qur'ān translation, *Umdah al-Sālik*, *Aqīdah*, selected chapters from *Riyād 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, *Umdah al-Sālik*, *Al-Tibyān fī 'Ulūm al-Qur'ān*, *al-Kāfi al-Wāfi*, *Ṣafwah 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 Mu'adh 'Ali – 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'ālī' al-Bayān* by Samannūdī, *Al-Salsabīl al-Shāfi* by 'Uthmān Murād, *Ghunyah al-Ṭalabah fī Taysīr al-Sab'ah*, *Tajwīd Rules of the Qur'ān* by Sheikha 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

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Jazariyyah to him and received *ijāzah*. Currently she is reading the *Qirā'ah* of Abū 'Amr al-Basrī to him.

Students:

- Zahrah Goder – completed *ḥifẓ* by her on 24 December 2013.

Past and Current Activities:

- She was previously a teacher at Dār al-Na'im Institute of Higher Learning, teaching *Fiqh*, *Sīrah* and *Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth*. The books used to teach these subjects include *al-Iqnā' fi Ḥall Alfāṭḥ Abī Shujā'* by Khaṭīb Sharbīnī, *Fiqh al-Sīrah al-Nabawīyyah* by Sheikh Muḥammad Sa'īd Ramaḍān al-Būṭī, *al-Manhaj al-Ḥadīth fi Tashīl 'Ulūm al-Ḥadīth* by Dr 'Ali Nāyif al-Baqā'ī. She also taught selected chapters of *Jāmi' 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 *ḥifẓ*. In both the *ḥifẓ* and weekly classes the students read the Ḥadīth book *Fayḍ al-Mu'īn* of Mullā 'Ali al-Qārī' to her.
- Coordinator of Dār al-Na'im'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, 3rd or 4th year students who wish to take their studies further. It takes place a couple of nights a week in which they intend to cover all the key subjects such as *Fiqh*, *Uṣūl al-Fiqh*, *Ḥadīth*, *Muṣṭalaḥ al-Ḥadīth*, '*Aqīdah*, and so forth.

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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'ān by her mother.
- Completed first reading *khatm* by her mother.

Higher Education:

- Started *hifẓh* with Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres.
- Completed three years later with Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres.

Qualifications:

- Completed *hifẓh* by Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams (South Africa) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.

Teachers:

- 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.

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Past and Current Activities:

- Completed three year Dār al-Naʿīm Arabic course with Moulana ʿAli Goder.
- Completed a *Tajwīd* course including the *Tuḥfah* with Sheikh Iḥsān Davids.
- Taught for a year at Dār al-Naʿīm *ḥifẓ* division.
- Also taught part-time for two years.
- Currently studying various books of *Tajwīd* as well as reading the narration of Shuʿbah to Muʿallimah ʿĀʾishah 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 *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Fu'ād Gabier.
- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Shahīd Philander.

Qualifications:

- Completed *ḥifẓ* by Sheikh Shahīd Philander.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

Teachers:

- 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.

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- 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 *hifẓ* by Sheikh Fu'ād Isaacs.
- Completed *hifẓ* at Jam'iyyah 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 *Shādh Qirā'āt*.

Qualifications:

- Completed *hifẓ* on April 2003 by Sheikh Majdī 'Īsā at Jam'iyyah al-Qurrā'.

Sheikh Zahīr received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

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

- Sheikh Sānūghū ‘Abd al-‘Azīz (Ivory Coast) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibīyyah*.
 - 2) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.

- Sheikh Yūsuf Dāwūdī (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibīyyah*.
 - 2) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Mu‘addil.
 - 3) The *Tuḥfah*
 - 4) The *Jazariyyah*.

- Sheikh Muḥammad ibn Ibrāhīm (Pakistan) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Shātibīyyah*.

- Sheikh Amīr ibn ‘Ādil Ṭanṭawī (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah*.
 - 2) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 3) The Seven *Qirā’āt* via the *Shātibīyyah*.
 - 4) The *Shātibīyyah*.
 - 5) The Three *Qirā’āt* via the *Durrah*.
 - 6) The *Durrah*.
 - 7) The Four *Shādh Qirā’āt*.

- Sheikh Yāsīn Sha’rāwī (Egypt) in:
 - 1) The *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī.
 - 2) The *Jazariyyah*.

- Sheikh Ilyās al-Barmāwī (Medina) in:

1) The *Tuḥfah*.

Teachers:

- Sheikh Fu'ād Isaacs – learnt to recite the Qur'ān by him and started *ḥifẓ* by him.
- Sheikh Majdī 'Īsā – completed *ḥifẓ* 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 Ḥafṣ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*.
- Sheikh Maḥmūd Amīn Ṭanṭāwī – read the narration of Ḥafṣ with *qasr* in *munfaṣil* and the narration of Shu'bah to him.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Dāwūdī – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the narration of Ḥafṣ 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 ʿĀdil Ṭanṭāwī – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him in the Ten *Qirāʾāt* via the *Shāṭibiyyah* and the *Durrah*, as well as the Four *Shādh Qirāʾāt*. Also received *ijāzah* from him in various other texts.
- Sh Majdī ʿĪsā – completed the memorisation of the Qurʾān by him.
- Sh Yāsīn Shaʿrāwī – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from him for the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah*.
- Sh Muḥammad Khālīd Maṅṣūr – studied *qirāʾāt* by him in the Faculty of Qurʾān at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Sh ʿAlī Ḥudhayfī – studied *qirāʾāt* by him in the Faculty of Qurʾān at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Sh Ilyās Barmāwī – read the 30th juz to him, as well as the *Tuḥfah* of Jamzūrī to him.
- Sheikh Yūsuf Shafīʿ – one of his lecturers in the Faculty of Qurʾān at the Islamic University of Medina.
- Sheikh Ṭalāl Aḥmad ʿAlī al-Muḥammad – one of his lecturers in the Faculty of Qurʾān at the Islamic University of Medina.

Students:

- Hāfīth Ṣabīḥ Philander – currently reading the *Qirāʾah* of Ḥamzah to the Sheikh, as well as studying the *Jazariyyah*.
- Hafīth Amīr Brinkhuis – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from the Sheikh in the *Qirāʾah* of ʿĀṣim and Nāfiʿ via the *Shāṭibiyyah*. He also read the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* to the Sheikh for *ijāzah*.
- Hafīth ʿAmmār Nackerdien – received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from the Sheikh in the *Qirāʾah* of ʿĀṣim via the *Shāṭibiyyah*. He also studying the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* by Sheikh Zahīr.
- Hafīth Muḥammad Shafīq Ebrahim – recited 25 juz to Sheikh Zahīr in the *Qirāʾah* of ʿĀṣim.

Past and Current Activities:

- 2003 – Completed *ḥifẖh* at Jam‘iyyah al-Qurrā’ (JEQ).
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in Botswana.
- Won Rabita Qur’ān Hifh Competition in Cape Town.
- 2004 – Graduated from Jam‘iyyah al-Qurrā’.
- Completed the study of basic *Tajwīd* and the *Tuḥfah* by Moulana Salim Gaibie at Jam‘iyyah 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 *maqāmāt* classes.
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* 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 Shu‘bah via the *Shaṭibiyyah* and Ḥafṣ from the *Ṭayyibah* by Sheikh Maḥmūd Amīn Ṭanṭāwī.
- Received *ijāzah* in the *Tuḥfah* and the *Jazariyyah* from Sheikh Yāsīn Sha‘rāwī.
- 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‘iyyah 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.

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- Assistant prelims judge in Qur'ān *ḥifḥ* competition in Capetown, 2010.
- Assistant teacher by Al-Ameen *ḥifḥ* 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 *ḥifḥ* institute.
- Assistant prelims judge in Qur'ān *ḥifḥ* competition held in Cape Town.
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in Namibia.
- Performed *Tarāwīḥ* in Mauritius.
- Conducted Qur'ān literacy classes for children, focusing on *ḥifḥ* 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'ān by her father, Muḥammad Ṣādiq.
- Completed her first *khatm* of the Qur'ān by Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres.

Higher Education:

- Started her *hifḥ* by Mu'allimah Fāṭimah Abrahams at Dār al-Islām, Surrey Estate.
- Completed her *hifḥ* by Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres.
- Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* in the narration of Ḥafṣ from Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams.
- Studied Arabic and higher Islamic studies at Dār al-Na'īm, 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 Hadith of Mullā 'Ali al-Qāri' on the virtues of the Qur'ān.

Qualifications:

- Completed *hifḥ* by Mu'allimah 'Ā'ishah Ceres.

Received *sanad* and *ijāzah* from:

- Sheikh Iḥsān Abrahams (South Africa) in:
 - 1) The narration of Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah* of Mu'addil.
- Moulana Salīm Gaibie (South Africa) in:
 - 1) The *Muqaddimah al-Jazariyyah*.
 - 2) *Tuḥfah al-Atfāl*.
- Sheikh Ismā'īl Londt (South Africa) in:
 - 1) The *Jazariyyah*.

Teachers:

- 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 Ḥafṣ via the *Rouḍah*.
- 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 Hadith 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 *ḥifẓ* at Dār Ubaiy (female section).

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Hāfith (male)/hāfithah (female) – one who has memorised the entire Qur'ān.

Hāfith School – colloquially used, referring to a school which teaches students to memorise 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.

Mu'allim (male)/mu'allimah (female) – instructor or teacher.

Ustādh (male)/Ustādhah (female) – instructor or teacher.