
GWINNETT ISLAMIC CIRCLE

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MESSAGE FROM OUR IMAM



Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuh,

Dear Gwinnett Islamic Circle | Suwanee Masjid Community,
Welcome to our very first community newsletter. As we reflect on this blessed month of Ramadan, my heart is filled with immense gratitude — first to Allah (SWT) for allowing us to gather in His house, and then to each of you for making our Masjid feel like a true home.

This Ramadan, our halls were filled with the sound of Quran, the sincerity of dua, and the energy of a growing, vibrant family. Together we experienced the Hereafter Series and daily Tafsir of Surah Takwir, our beloved Word of the Daybefore Tarawih, Daily Iftar Duas and 30 Ayat for 30 Days online, flourishing GIC Kids Quran Classes, an electrifying YM Brothers Qiyam Night with over 300 young brothers, our first-ever Manara Qiyam Night, and nightly Qiyam from the 14th onwards — culminating in a beautiful Quran completion on the 29th. We also honor our dedicated Mu'takifin, whose presence filled the Masjid with constant devotion.

Two milestones stood out: Khatmul Quran Night welcomed 2,500 guests of Allah, and Eid-ul-Fitr brought together 5,000 guests across three prayers — a unified voice glorifying Allah.

When I see children learning, youth standing in prayer, and thousands joining for Eid — *what more can we want?*

Thank you for your support, prayers, and presence. May Allah accept all our efforts and keep our hearts united

Imam Matib Ahmad
Gwinnett Islamic Circle | Suwanee Masjid

RAMADAN IN FOCUS

"O you who have believed, decreed upon you is fasting as it was decreed upon those before you that you may become righteous" - Surah Al-Baqarah (2:183)

Gwinnett Islamic Circle (GIC Suwanee Masjid) is more than a building of walls and space—it is a living, breathing community, bound together by faith, purpose, and devotion. During the blessed month of Ramadan, this spirit was felt more strongly than ever, as the masjid transformed into a sanctuary of worship, reflection, and unity. Night after night, hearts were drawn together in prayer, and day after day, the community grew in knowledge and remembrance of Allah ﷻ.

What made this Ramadan truly special was not only the programs themselves, but the collective effort behind them—the **volunteers who served tirelessly**, the leaders who guided with sincerity, and the community members who showed up with open hearts. Through this shared commitment, the masjid was able to offer a wide range of meaningful initiatives that touched lives and strengthened bonds, reflecting the true essence of what it means to be a community.

RAMADAN 2026 HIGHLIGHTS

WORSHIP

Tarāwih Prayers
Qiyām al-Layl
Prayer
Khatm al-Quran
(25th Night)
Eid Prayers

LEARNING

Verse of the Day
Word Of the day
Journey Through
the Hereafter

COMMUNITY

YM Qiyām Night
Manara Qiyam
Night
Sisters Daily
Quran Circle
Eid Festival

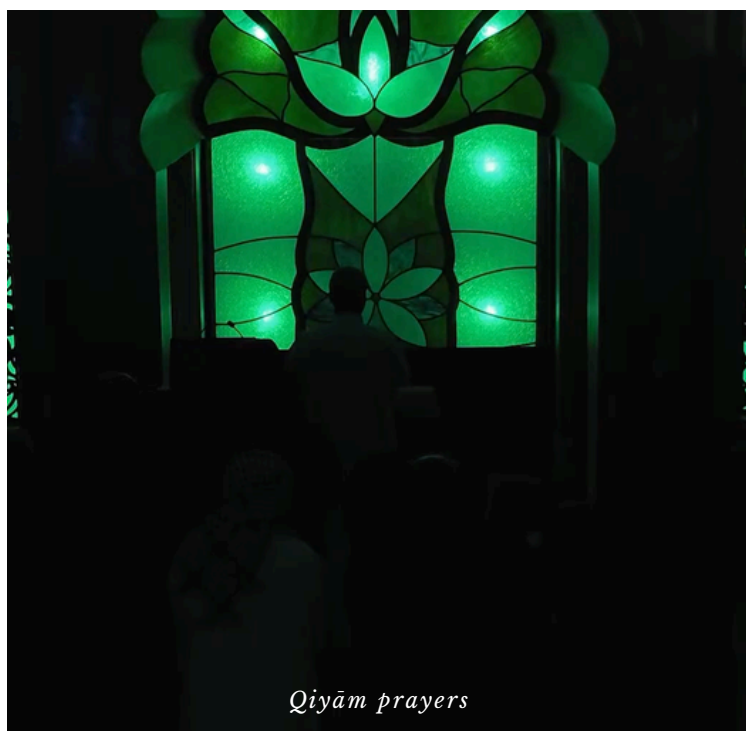
Worship

Tarawīḥ Prayers

The Taraweeh prayers were a central highlight of Ramadan, bringing the community together each night in worship and reflection. Led by Imam Matib Ahmad, Qari Abdullah Warsamah, and Hafiz Waleed Nagaria, the recitation of the Qur'an created a powerful and uplifting atmosphere. Qari Abdullah Warsamah blessed worshippers with an exposition of the various Quranic dialectics throughout the month.



Tarawih Prayers



Qiyam prayers

Qiyām al-Layl

Led by Imam Matib Ahmad, Maulana Ahyan Yoonas, and select Huffaz from the community, late night prayers gave opportunity for the community to gather and connect **during the last 15 nights**. Brief reminders were also shared between every four rak'at, offering moments of guidance and reflection that enriched the overall experience. Together, these elements created a tranquil and uplifting environment for worship in the later hours of the night.



Friday family night with Imam Matib

Learning

Word of the Day

The “Word of the Day,” led by **Imam Matib Ahmad**, was a simple yet powerful nightly initiative aimed at building Arabic literacy and strengthening the community’s connection with the Qur’an. Each evening, a word from the Qur’an was introduced and explained, helping attendees gradually become more familiar with its language. This consistent effort allowed community members to recognize and reflect on these words during recitation, making their worship more meaningful and deeply connected.

Ayah of the Day

The “Ayah of the Day” was structured as a “30 Ayahs in 30 Days” challenge, focusing on Surah At-Takwir and held daily after Fajr. Each day, participants recited, memorized, and explored the meaning of a selected ayah, creating a consistent rhythm of engagement with the Qur’an. This initiative not only encouraged memorization but also deep reflection, allowing individuals to build a stronger, more personal connection with the message of the Qur’an throughout the month.

Journey Through the Hereafter

The “Journey Through the Hereafter,” delivered by **Maulana Ahyan Yoonas**, was a weekly series held every Sunday between Asr and Maghrib. These sessions guided attendees through the stages of the hereafter, offering powerful reminders about life beyond this world. Through thoughtful discussion and reflection, the program encouraged the community to realign their priorities and deepen their sense of purpose, making it a meaningful and impactful component of the Ramadan experience.

Community

YM Qiyām Night

The YM Qiyām Night was a powerful gathering that brought together more than **300 youth** for an evening centered on faith and brotherhood. Organized by homegrown youth, the night began with a meaningful halaqah with Imam Matib, followed by an engaging open Q&A session with Imam Matib and Maulana Ahyan, that allowed participants to present their concerns. The program then transitioned into Qiyām, creating a spiritually uplifting atmosphere of worship. The night concluded with vendors and a basketball tournament, blending spirituality with brotherhood. YM conducts regular Halaqahs on throughout the year.



Manara Qiyam Night

The Manara Qiyam Night, held in the masjid gym, provided a valuable space for young professionals to connect, network, and grow together. As a platform designed to bring together individuals navigating their careers and personal development, the event fostered meaningful conversations and relationship-building within a faith-centered environment. It highlighted the importance of supporting one another not only spiritually, but also professionally and socially within the community.

Sisters Quran Circle

Throughout Ramadan, the sisters of the community gathered daily to collectively read one juz of the Qur'an, working together toward a complete khatam by the end of the month. This consistent effort created a strong sense of sisterhood and unity, as participants bonded through shared ibadah and reflection. The culmination of their khatam was a deeply meaningful moment, representing not only the completion of the Qur'an, but also the relationships and spiritual growth developed along the way.



Manara Qiyam Night at GIC Community Center





Eid Festival

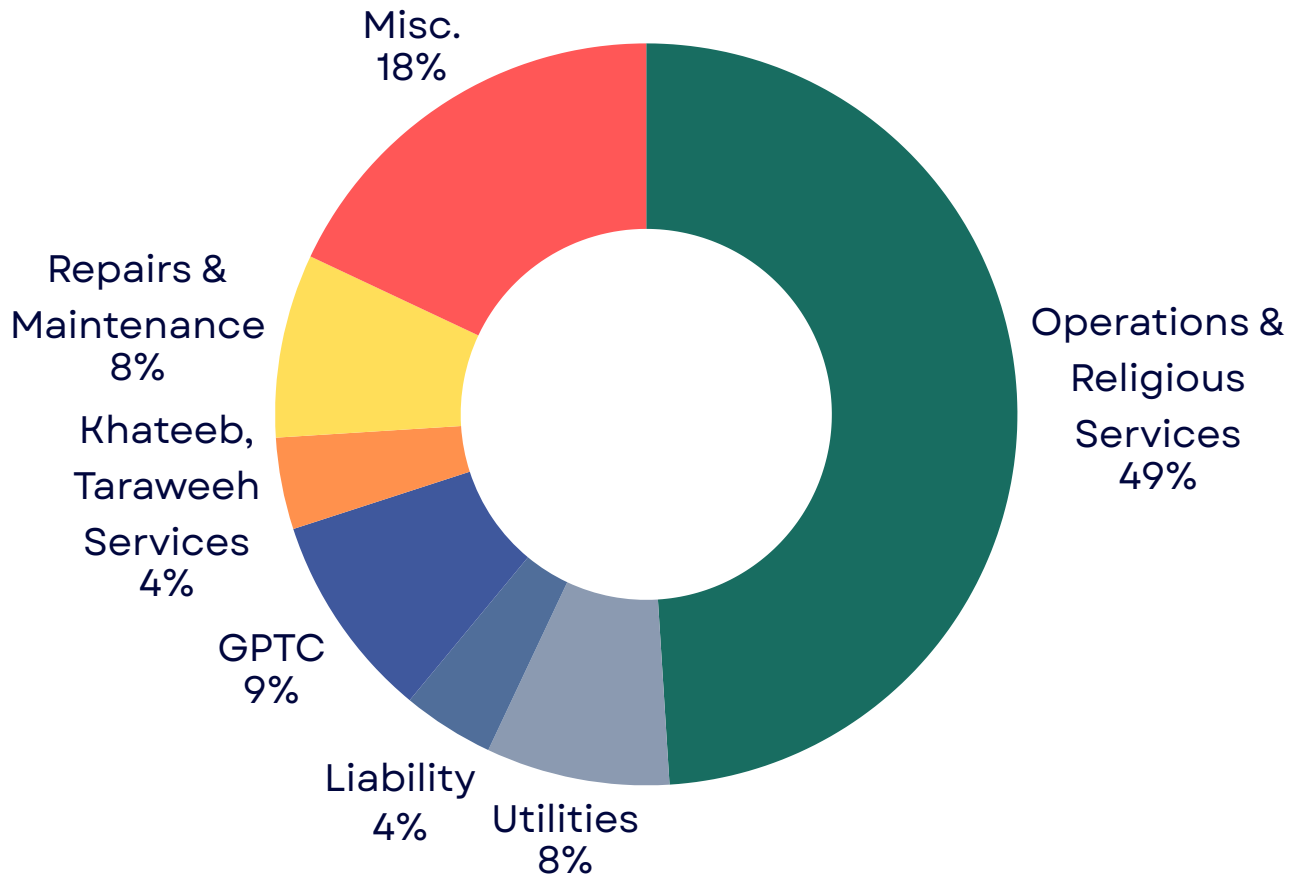
Following the blessed month of Ramadan, our community came together for a joyous **Eid Festival** — a vibrant celebration filled with laughter, connection, and the true spirit of togetherness. The grounds were alive with energy as families, friends, and neighbors gathered to revel in the joy of Eid. From a bustling bazaar and a wide array of vendors, offering an incredible spread of food representing the rich diversity of our community, there was something for everyone to enjoy. Shoppers browsed through stalls offering clothing, crafts, and gifts, while children filled the air with excitement and delight. It was the perfect post-Ramadan treat — a chance for our community to connect, bond, and celebrate the fruits of a month of worship and devotion. Events like these remind us that a strong community is not only built in the Masjid, but also in the moments of joy we share together.





FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

2026 - 2027



Total Budget - \$376,304



Thanks & Appreciation

We pray that you and your loved ones have been able to benefit from the programs and initiatives offered throughout this blessed month.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated volunteers, generous supporters, and community members who made these efforts possible through the grace and mercy of Allah ﷻ. Your time, service, and commitment are a true reflection of the strength and sincerity of our community.

On behalf of the Gwinnett Islamic Circle, we ask Allah ﷻ to accept all acts of worship, to protect you and your families, and to allow us to gather again in moments of remembrance, knowledge, and devotion. May He place barakah in our community and enable us to continue serving one another for His sake.

Your continued support is deeply appreciated, and we ask Allah ﷻ to reward you abundantly and grant you the ability to remain connected to the masjid and its mission.

May Allah bless you all.



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