

**ISNA West Zone Conference**  
**December 22-24, 2006**  
**Hyatt Regency Long Beach**  
**200 South Pine Avenue**  
**Long Beach, CA 90802**

*Theme: Rejuvenate the True Spirit of Islam*

*Registration Begins at 11:00 AM*

**Friday, December 22, 2006**

Time	Topic/Speaker	Room
1:00-1:30 PM	<b>Jummah</b> – Rejuvenating the Spirit of Islam Sheikh Abdalla Idris Ali	
3:00-3:30 PM	<b>Inauguration Session</b> Recitation with Translation – Welcome Remarks – Abdul Wahab, Conference Chair ISNA Welcome – Ahmed ElHattab Welcome Remarks – Shakeel Syed, Shura Council of Southern California Program and Logistics - Abdul Wahab Moderator: Masoud Nassimi	
3:30–5:00 PM	<b>Plenary Session 1:</b> <b>Spiritual Harmony in Our Lives</b> The Need to Rejuvenate the Islamic Spirit – Dr. Louay Safi Transcendent Values Rooted in Spirituality – Sheikh Abdalla Idris Ali Implementing Spirituality in Our Daily Life – Dr. Scott Alexander Moderator: Dr. Atef Helmy	
5:00–7:00 PM	<b>Maghrib/Dinner/Isha</b>	
7:00–8:15 PM	Parallel Session 1 <b>Glimpses of Prophet Muhammad (pbuh)</b> How Did the Prophet Deal with Poverty – Sheikh Abdalla Idris Ali Social Justice & Activism –Imam Sadullah Khan Political Discourse & Empowerment – Salam Al-Marayati Q & A Session Moderator: Dr. Ahmed Azzam	
7:00–8:15 PM	Parallel Session 2 <b>Compassionate Leadership and Conflict Resolution</b> (ILDC Workshop) - Dr. Louay Safi Moderator: Asif Shaikh	

7:00–8:15 PM	Parallel Session 3 <b>Challenges to the Institution of Family in America</b> Traditional Values Versus Modern Concepts – Dr. Scott Alexander New Challenges to Muslim Family Life – Dr. Sayyid M. Syeed Parental Roles in Modern Family Life - Debra Hassan Moderator: Sakeena Mirza	
7:00–8:15 PM	Parallel Session 4 Topic: <b>MSA/MYNA Topics</b> Speakers: Altaf Husain Moderator:	
8:30-10:00 PM	Plenary Session 2: <b>Rejuvenating the Spirit of Islam</b> Sanctity of Submission - Dr. Sayyid M. Syeed Abrahamic Leadership in Modern Times – Hussam Ayloush Eradicating Violence with the Message of Peace - Shakeel Syed Moderator: Naim Shah	

*Registration Begins at 9:00AM*

## Saturday, December 23, 2006

Time	Topic/Speaker	Room
6:00 AM	Fajr and Spiritual Talk – Sheikh Abdalla Idris Ali	
9:30-10:45 AM	Plenary Session 3 <b>Embracing Diversity, Encouraging Unity</b> Importance of Diversity and Unity -Imam Saadiq Saafir Gender Equality to Achieve Harmony - Ameena Jandali Diversity in Abrahamic Faiths - Dr. Scott Alexander, Peter Kovach Moderator: Dr. Louay Safi	
11:00 AM- 12:30 PM	Parallel Session 6 <b>Interfaith Dialogue and Development of Faith Communities</b> Energizing Communities through Dialogue – Naim Shah Building Communities on Abrahamic Principles – Imam Ali Siddiqi, Dr. Scott Alexander ISNA’s Role in Fostering Interfaith Dialogue – Dr. Sayyid M. Syeed Moderator: Sherrel Johnson	
11:00 AM- 12:30 PM	Parallel Session 7 <b>Economy &amp; Justice</b> Economic Justice from Faith Perspectives – Rev. Alexia Salvetierra Economic Prosperity & Responsibility – Dr. Yahya Abdur Rahman Zakat as a Means to Affluence - Sheikh Abdalla Idris Ali Moderator: Kalim Farooki	
11:00 AM- 12:30 PM	Parallel Session 8 <b>Muslim Community &amp; Social Services</b> Heroic Contributions towards Community – Naim Shah Jr. Significance of Social Activism - Altaf Husain A Successful Model: UMMA Community Clinic- Yasser Aman Moderator: Sameera Siddiqi	
11:00 AM- 12:30 PM	Parallel Session 9 <b>Teambuilding in Islamic Organizations (ILDC Workshop)</b> Speakers: Iqbal Unus Moderator: Dr. Zaher Azzawi	
11:00 AM- 12:30 PM	Parallel Session 10 <b>Election 2008: Empowerment through Engagement</b> Hussam Ayloush, Dr. Aslam Abdullah, Dr. Maher Hathout Moderator: Omar Zaki	
11:00 AM- 12:30 PM	Parallel Session 11 Topic: <b>MSA/MYNA Topics</b>	

	Speakers: Ameena Jandali Moderator:	
1:00-3:00 PM	<b>Zuhr/Lunch</b>	
3:00-4:45 PM	Parallel Session 12 <b>Islamic Perspectives on Marriage</b> Muhammad Faqih, Maria Khani Moderator: Saide Khan	
3:00-4:45 PM	Parallel Session 13 <b>Ageing: Community's Responsibilities Towards Elders</b> Knowing and Caring for Elders - Dr. Abdul Hameed Younis, Altaf Husain Housing & Medical Needs - Dr. Laila Marayati Social Services Available to Senior Citizens – Sajida Khan Moderator: Fawad Yacoob	
3:00-4:45 PM	Parallel Session 14 <b>Ongoing Critical Issues in the Muslim World</b> Palestine/Lebanon- Dr. Dany Doueiri Afghanistan - Nasir Arghandewal Iraq - Dr. Rida Hajjar Moderator: Omar Zaki	
3:00-4:45 PM	Parallel Session 15 <b>Muslim Contributions to the American Landscape</b> Iqbal Unus, Imam Abdul Karim Hassan Moderator: Edina Lekovic	
3:00-4:45 PM	Parallel Session 16 <b>Women: Strength of the Community</b> Ameena Jandali, Dr. Laila Marayati, Joan Faqir, Altaf Husain Moderator: Amina El Gamdy	
3:00-4:45 PM	Parallel Session 17 Topic: <b>MSA/MYNA Topics</b> Speakers: Moderator:	
5:00-5:30 PM	<b>Maghrib</b>	
6:00-9:00 PM	<b>IDF Banquet Dinner (admission by ticket only)</b> <b>Rejuvenating the Spirit of Islam in the American Community</b> Speakers: Dr. Hassan Hathout, Sheikh Abdalla Idris Ali Moderator: Altaf Husain	
9:15-10:30 PM	<b>Entertainment Program</b>	

**Sunday, December 24, 2006**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic/Speaker</b>	<b>Room</b>
6:00 AM	Fajr and Spiritual Talk – Altaf Husain	
9:30-10:45 AM	Parallel Session 18 <b>New Converts: Understanding &amp; Managing Challenges</b> Jihad Turk, Naim Shah, Khadija Galedary, Moderator: Tahara Kariem	
9:30-10:45 AM	Parallel Session 19 <b>Estate Planning for Your Family and Community</b> Speakers: Masud Khan, Aliya Chaplain Moderator: Salar Rizvi	
9:30-10:45 AM	Parallel Session 20 <b>Successfully Communication to Achieve Group Objectives</b> (ILDC workshop) Speakers: Munira Syeda Moderator: Shazia Malik	
9:30-10:45 AM	Parallel Session 23 Topic: <b>MSA/MYNA Topics</b> Speakers: Moderator:	
11:00 AM- 12:30 PM	Plenary Concluding Session 5 <b>Living as Ambassadors of Islam</b> Abdalla Idris Ali, Altaf Husain, Reza Aslan Moderator: Kalim Farooki	
1:00 PM	Zhur/Lunch	