





# **About Us**

Al-Falah Academy was founded in 2019 as a coalition of Islamic scholars, students and activists from diverse backgrounds. The Academy's resolution is to play a substantive role in bridging the wide gaps in or society between Islamic ideals and the creeping degenerative influences bedeviling our society. With this resolve, we embarked on the work of cautious planning, constant deliberations and consultations with our indigenous Islamic scholars and leaders to deliver an effective enlightenment program for the youth and old. Our outcome has been a very innovative approach that is strategically targeting young adults with a stake in society in order to drive change in our local communities. We have so far cemented ourselves in the position of teachers in the society and we are fully aware of the responsibilities involved and we do not take the matter lightly.

Al-Falah is poised to become the most formidable advocate of adult Islamic education in Nigeria and it is copiously working to achieve that inshaAllah.



# Our Aim

The ultimate aim at Alfalah Academy is the encouragement of the quest for truth, and goodness in a human being. We aim to bridge the incorrectly "perceived" gap between modernity and Islamic ideals by producing educated, relevant, passionate invigorated Muslims, equipping them with foundational knowledge, presented in a way that inspires, and encourages critical thought and growth. There is a huge gap presently with regards to basic fundamental knowledge on jurisprudence, Arabic Literacy, Islamic Sciences and ultimately knowledge of the Quran and Hadith.

With the young and old arduously striving for worldly pursuits at work or academia, Al-Falah aims to guide one through the challenges of life with an Islamic perspective to everything. Our student community at Al-falah will have:

- Completeness in work-life-spirituality balance
- Comprehensiveness of education by adding an Islamic perspective to the conventional educational system.
- A reference point and a home away from home where one can air out all their confusions, worries and doubts about life, philosophy, family, ethics and religion.
- Islamic progressive and modern mindset. Being relevant without losing Islamic values.

# What you will learn

- Have a strong foundational understanding of the various Islamic sciences. This entails a deep study in the field of theology, Quranic sciences, Hadith sciences, jurisprudence and more.
- Have clarity and ability to think critically with Islamic ideals.
- An understanding and implementation of Islamic Ethics.
- Know the Arabic language at an intermediate level.
- Professional courses on the leadership, business ethics and many more.





# Who should enroll

# Our program is designed for anyone who:

Can dedicate 6-9 hours over the weekends to learn the foundations of the religion.

Yearns for intellectual & spiritual growth.

Desires to learn effective leadership.

Aims to be part of a good community of friends.

Seeking emotional and social support from an Islamic perspective.

Is having doubts about the validity and fairness of some Islamic standpoints.

Seeks a Career in Religious Studies.



# Online Platforms

We strive to become the premier provider of academic services around Nigeria and beyond. At Al-Falah, we value the timely dissemination of creative educative content through the internet and relevant social media platforms. Our aim is to provide the best service available in the academic department for students' consumption both in our physical classrooms and virtually.

# Student Value

- We try as much as we can to ensure that our learning spaces are conducive and stimulating for students.
- At the Academy, we are very keen on listening to our students and their feedbacks regarding our content delivery and other services.
- We are always open to phone calls or messages during working hours for our student community.
- We are always happy to talk about each student's need individually, whether spiritual, personal or intellectual. Thus we have a qualified team formed solely for this purpose.
- We also ensure all current and prospective Al-Falah family of a seamless online experience on our digital portals.
- Our tutors are well trained and experienced at what they do. We are aware that every student has a unique path to comprehension and learning hence we ensure a varied approach by our tutors which captures all the differences and sensibilities of our esteemed students.

# Courses

# AL-FALAH PATHWAY

- The Journey
- Foundation
- The Pathway
- Al-Falah CAPSTONE Course™

The Pathway is a one-year programs of study that ultimately provides our subscribers with the tools to engage with the religion in a passionate but critical way. We explore the vital knowledge that all of us require to practice as Muslims (Fard-ul-Ayn and Far-ul-Kifayah) and then proceed to discuss the framework and principles of the Shariah. Our subscribers will be engaged in thought-provoking research about contemporary issues with an aim to conceptualizing the world from an Islamic Perspective.

# The Journey

# Figh module

This module starts with the basic of Ibadah for a Muslim. From purification to prayer. We learn the rudiments of our requirements as Muslims through this course as far as Ibadah is concerned. We use the standars Riyad ul Atfal book 1 and 2 with 30 lessons put together. Students after this course have the confidence of purifying themselves and praying properly.

#### Identification and Pronunciation module

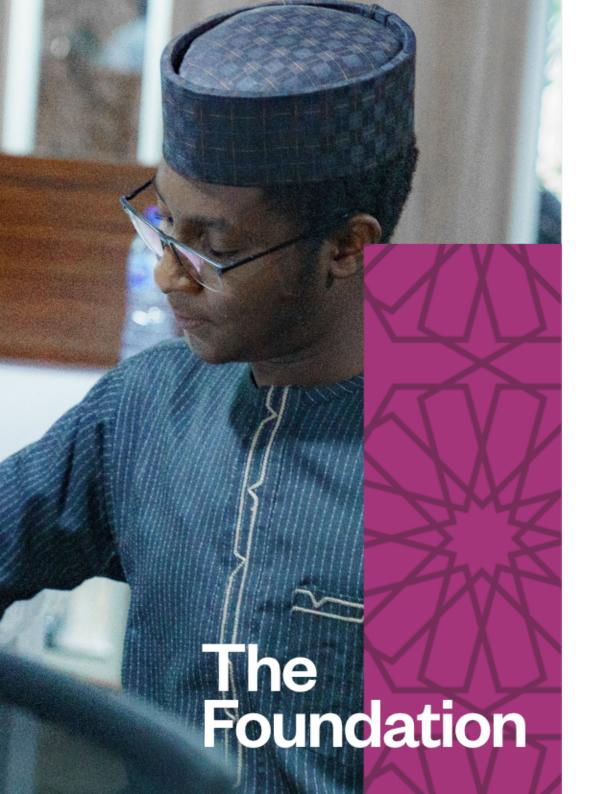
Students at Pre-basic level will begin with Identifying letters from Alif to Ya. They will go through a rigorous training which consists writing, reading and several class exercises to upgrade their capacity to identify letters and pronounce them properly. This module prepares them to read well. The main book for this module is a specially written book by Shamsudden Jumare titled "Identification and Pronunciation Book Series". After this module, students read and identify with ease in preparation for learning Arabic.

## Modifications and Behaviors module

Modifications and behaviors go hand in hand with Pronunciation and Identification. The book primarily used is also specially written for this purpose; its titled "Modifications and Behaviors Book Series by Shamsudeen Jumare.

# Qur'an Tajweed module

We use the bottom Surahs that are short and contain a lot of Tajweed issues in them to teach students. We focus not on memorization at this point but on upgrading the proficiency of students in reading the Quran. Students are given the opportunity to practice in and out of class with



# Fiqh module

At this level we still use the Riyad ul Atfal Series to teach some key jurisprudential elements relating to Ibadah. Book three is used. Ahkam Taklifiyyaj and Wada'iyyah are broadened at this stage with a lot of Uslooli principles and life examples. We take students on a journey of how classical scholars deduced matters of religion and how they tapped from the sources of Shar'ah.

# Muhadatha (conversation) module

students are exposed on this module to a lot of vocabularies and sentence structuring. We use Arabiyyah Bayna Yadayk on this model. Students practice in class different modes of conversations thereby increasing their confidence to converse in Arabic and read from texts.

# **Qur'an Tajweed module**

the Tajweed module at this level is more Advanced. All the Ahkam of noon sakina, offhand, ikfa, qalqalah are taught extensively to the students. This module is example-driven which means students after learning this module from the Quran will be asked to fetch more examples by themselves.

# Qawa'id (grammar) module

the book "The Key" is used to teach students Arabic Grammar. This module is meant to give students the required tool to break down sentences as they either read or write them. They are taught how to analyze sentences figuring out verbs, nouns, adjectives and other elements of grammar. This module helps students to read Arabic texts more effectively and also write more accurately. The usages of pronouns which is absolutely fundamental in Arabic is introduced at this level.



# Figh module

On this module at this level, students are exposed to the Fiqh behind the five pillars of Islam: Zakat, Fasting, Hajj. Note that Salah has been covered at both the restoration level and ABC I. We discuss the matters at length; how to perform the acts and what is allowed and disallowed within them. We discuss these points from a classical-scholastic point of view looking at different opinions and choosing the most correct based on the Ijtihad of great scholars. We also treat the Fiqh of marriage, it's contracts conditions, divorce and child custody. Interaction and questions are greatly encouraged.

#### Hadith

students are taught some basic but foundational Mustalahal Hadith (terminologies of Hadith). They understand when a Hadith is weak, authentic, fair fabricated and the implications behind them. They break down Hadith into their forms with a broad view of knowing what an Isnad and a Matn is. Students are then introduced to the forty Hadith of Imam Nawawi. Some Hadith giants are discussed and their contributions to the field of Hadith are also explored.

# Muhadatha and Reading

once again, at this level, students are again encouraged using "Arabiyyah Bayna Yadayk" to continue amassing more vocabularies and speaking in Arabic. They continue with more complex sentences. Students at this level are alert with regards to the difference between masculine and feminine form. This module in a nutshell is designed to boost students capacities to speak and read Arabic texts.

# Qawa'id (grammar)

on this module the level of work is a bit more advance in grammar. The Key is used as a core resource. The students at this level are exposed to more complex grammatical analysis helping them to read, write and speak better. They do a lot of drills in class and out of class. They also look deeper into pronouns, nouns, verbs and more. The relationship of words composed in sentences are studies so as to gear up students with comprehension skills. This module also assists students in understanding how the Quran works from a language standpoint.

# Qur'an Tajweed

as at all levels thus far, students are always required to perfect their recitation of the Quran. The examples and Ahkams given in the previous classes are cemented at this point. Students do drills using the Quran in class to pin point Tajweed rules and explain them to the teacher. This is a very interesting class as usually students at this point have grasped the primary essentials necessary for a good reading of the Quran



The Capstone Course is a 3 month short accredited course specially prepared by experts in various fields. It is for interested students to have a taste that will awaken their thirst for deeper knowledge on the subject matter entailed. Though they are short, they are nonetheless intense and clinical in terms of delivery and content. Students are meant to do extra readings and research on topics contained in these courses. The three sub courses that culminate in the Islamic perspective course are:

# Qur'an Tajweed

This course is essential for the young intellectual Muslim mind to understand the purpose for Allah's Shari'a for mankind. This course elaborates the five main objectives of Shari'a as they are popularly known and their applications as far as our contemporary times are concerned. We delve into the classical understanding of Maqasid ranging from the classical contributions of great scholars like Fahkruddin Razi, Al Juwayni, Al Ghazali, As-Shatibi, Ibn Ashur and so on. We also look at contemporary dynamics of the Maqasid and what current scholars have to offer. This course gives the student the analytical tools to see through the challenges faced by Muslims in today's world in order to maintain an Islamic outlook on the issues of civil and criminal law in a contemporary setting.

#### **Hadith Course**

This course offers the student a brief but insightful take on the history of Hadith sciences; how it developed and how it is faring today. The student will have an understanding with regards to the major terminologies of Hadith grading. The course offers a biographical review of the main texts of Hadith especially the 6 books and their importance. Students will have an opportunity here to probe the current challenges regarding the Hadith realm and how to contend with the attacks directed at this sacred science with knowledge.

# **Usul ul Fiqh (The Foundations of Jurisprudence)**

In this course, students will learn the exciting formulas and approach of the scholars of Islam since the first generation in deducing and understanding the intended Ahkam (rulings) of Allah the Most High. Students will have a vivacious expose of how some jurisprudential points evolve as times and circumstances changed and how some remain static perpetually. The foundations of Fiqh is a prerequisite subject for all students of Islamic sciences to contend with in order to have a strong understanding of the rules (ahkam). The definitions of relevant terminologies and their examples from the sources of Shari'a and the Sunnah of our beloved Prophet upon whom be peace are prime in this course.









# **Testimonials**

The course at Al Falah has made a significant impact on my understanding of the deen and the Arabic language. I would like to thank and commend the team for their effective methods of imparting knowledge. May Allah SWT make it beneficial for us all, Ameen.

#### Hamza Mai-Bornu

Relatable resource persons Meticulous Materials Add a cupa tea and a slicea cake Nothing beats that! Nothing beats Al-Falah!!

Abdullahi

One thing I appreciate about Al-Falah is it is clear that the teachers constantly make an effort to ensure that all students actually understand what is being taught and no one is left behind. The teachers are engaging and they make the learning process interactive and the concepts easy to grasp. I am very happy with how far Iv come since joining and I look forward to continuing my studies at Al-Falah in Shaa Allaah

Umaimah Ahmed

The environment is very conducive (i especially love being able to have tea between classes).

My classmates are so full of life, it makes all the time spent, worthwhile, Alhamdulillah.

The best thing about Al-Falah are the teachers who consistently deliver more value than we pay for, inspire us with a thirst for seeking knowledge, make the resources and classes practical and relatable.

May Allah preserve and honor them in this world, and grant them the best of abodes in the hereafter.

Fatima Maitambari

Alhamdulillah is all I can say to be honest. It's been an awesome journey right from pre-basic to basic one. I always look forward to the weekend because I know there's always a lot to learn in the most exciting way. The tutors are always available and willing to teach in a way that everyone will understand and be carried along. Like Mallam Shamsudeen will say "muna papatawa". May Almighty Allah continue to bless you all.

Jazakumullahu Khairan Katheera.

Sakeenah lawal



Al-Falah is an institution that is on its way to becoming one of the top institutions regarding Islamic knowledge with top notch scholars that go In depth in all of the modules. My journey in this academy so far has been a pleasant one and alhamdulilah I am one step further than I was before I started may Allah SWT bless this academy and increase us all in beneficial knowledge.

Sadiq Nuhu



# Business Ethics Adab ul Tijara

Islam supports business enterprise and competition but remains firm on prohibiting transactions that are deemed haram (unlawful). Businessmen are expected to display high moral caliber at all times and especially when engaged in business transactions with their clients/customers. Islamic business ethics is based upon the broad teachings of the Glorious Qur'an and the precepts laid down by Prophet Muhammad (may the peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). This course primarily focuses on the Islamic business principles, employer/employee relationship and business in light of Islamic teachings. It will be delivered by industry experts that have serious grounding in Islamic teachings.

# Leadership Courses

This course is designed for both the young and old. Participants are walked through the psychology of leadership as per the actions and events surrounding the life of our beloved Master Muhammad upon whom be peace. The Sahaba will also be used in this course to show different modes of leadership and personality types.

# Fiqh of Relationships

Fatherhood, motherhood, husband, wife, son, friend; what do they all mean in the light of the glorious Quran and Sunnah? The contemporary culture is corrupting society's understanding of these God-given roles, which has inevitable led to the disintegration of Islamic, conservative, cultural and even humanistic values. This course will shed light on how to best play your role in any given relationship from the viewpoint of the Prophets and Sahabah.

# 100 Commandments Of The Quran

Understand and inculcate into your life the best manners, behavior patterns as ascribed by the One who created you and knows your weaknesses and strengths. This course extrapolates 100 direct injunctions from the Quran and their reasons for revelation. A student may confidently say they have begun to explore the Quran's teachings only when they have taken this course.

# Independent Elective Courses

# Accreditation

We are accredited first and foremost by the most prolific scholars in Nigeria while we are currently in process of obtaining the relevant accreditations from regulators such as MBIAS, JNI and Ministry of Education.

Al-Falah comprises of seasoned scholars of national and international repute whose contributions towards education and positive social impact cannot be over-emphasized. The team of council that Al-Falah refers to before decisions are taken include:

#### Professor Salisu Shehu

Professor of Educational Psychology, Bayero University, Kano. He is widely published and renowned in the academic and social issues pertaining to Islam and the human psychology. Some of his notable publications are:

Islamization of knowledge: conceptual background, vision and tasks Toward an Islamic perspective of developmental psychology

Muslim educational reforms activities in Nigeria: trends, issues and future directions.

A study of the Islamic perspective of cognitive development and its implications in education in the Muslim world Social Justice and Leadership Responsibility in Islam

## Professor Muhammad Mansur Ibrahim Sokoto (mni)

Professor of Hadith, Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto, He is a Scholar of international repute and has authored quite a large number of books covering various Islamic Sciences, the likes of Hadith, history, jurisprudence e.t.c.

Professor Mansur's passion towards upliftment of the Islamic values and standards led him to establishing a lot of Islamic Centers, notable of which are: An-Nur Islamic Center, Ahlul Bayt and Sahaba Center and Imam Malik Islamic Center.

His contribution earned him the National honour of Member National Institute (mml) after attending the course 38 of the National Institute for Policy and Strategic Study (NIPSS), Kuru.

#### Dr. Jabir Sani Maihula

Dr Bashir was educated in Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria in Electrical Engineering. He then went to the Islamic University of Madina, Saudi Arabia and obtained his B.A, M.A and Phd in Hadith and Islamic Studies with specialization in Sciences of Hadith. He studied Maliki figh and Usul under traditional Ulama in both Nigeria and Madina.

While lecturing in the Islamic Studies Department of Bayero University Kano, he was invited to serve as Permanent Commissioner in the Kano State Shari'ah Commission. His work involved advising the Kano State Government on Shari'ah related issues in governmental affairs and supervising the Government's Shari'ah implementation programme.

He has been involved in Islamic finance as Head of the Propagation sub-committee of the Committee for the Promotion of the then proposed Já'Iz Bank of Nigeria, during which he delivered series of lectures on Islamic Banking and Finance in several parts of Nigeria. He served as the chairman of the Shari'ah Advisory Committee of the Stanbic IBTC Bank Plc (Nigeria), and is currently a member of the Shari'ah Committee of the International Islamic Liquidity Management Corporation, and the Deputy Chairman Council of Experts on Islamic Banking of the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN). He served as a Consultant on Islamic finance to the Financial System Strategy (FSS2020) under the CBN, before finally taking up appointment as a Special Adviser to the Governor of the CBN on Noninterest Banking, which is his current job on secondment from the Bayero University, Kano, He represents the CBN in the Technical Committee of the Islamic Financial Services Board (IFSB), and is also the Chairman of the IFSB Working Group for developing the standard on Risk Management for Takaful Undertakings.

His Phd thesis titled: Methodology of Imam Ahmad Regarding the Inconspicuous Weaknesses of Hadith Narrations has been published in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. He has written and presented a number of papers in national and international conferences, seminars and workshops on different topics including Islamic Finance.

#### Dr. Jabir Sani Maihula

He is an enthusiastic Scholar who specializes in many Islamic sciences, the likes of Hadith, Jurisprudence and Law. He obtained his first degree at the Islamic University of Madinah in field of Hadith and also a Postgraduate Diploma in Islamic Law and Politics at the same institution, a Masters degree holder in Law (LL.M) which he obtained from the University of East London and a Ph.D holder from the prestigious University of Nottingham in the UK.

Sheikh Dr. Jabir Sani Maihula has authored many academic papers, worked on many manuscripts and even translated some others from Arabic. He has also published some books among which is Ibn Taymiyya in the Literature of contemporary Jihadist.

He is the Founder and Director of Imamu malik Foundation, Sokoto. The Chief Imam of Sultan Sa'ad Abubakar Jumu'at Mosque, Guiwa lowcost Sokoto and also the Head, Department of Arabic and Islamic Studies. Sokoto State University. Sokoto.

Sheikh Jabir has presented papers and a number of lectures in conferences and seminars both nationally and internationally.

# Dr. Mansur Isa Yelwa

Sheikh Dr. Mansur Isa Yelwa is a graduate from the Islamic University of Madina as well as Islamic University of Malaysia where he obtained his Masters and Ph.D.

An Associate Professor and the Head of Department of Islamic Law in Bayero University Kano. A specialist in Islamic and Comparative Law, Qur'anic Science, Conflict Resolution, Islamic Economics and Finance.

Dr. Mansur Isa Yelwa is a prolific author who has written a number of books and journals and had presented papers and lectures in seminar and conferences.

# The Team

# Muhammad Abdullah

Muhammad Abdullahi is a proactive educator from Katsina State. He is the cofounder of Al-Falah school for short courses in Abuja. He has lectured several people in different capacities especially in Figh matters. Muhammad has been part of several initiatives to help young Muslims achieve a more fulfilling spiritual life. He co-founded a weekly podcast program called "Mahangar Mu". He coowns several businesses like ITEC Ltd. Lamda Chickens, Al Islah consultancy and others. Muhammad's main area of interest is teaching. He speaks Arabic. Hausa, English and Turkish and has launched a Nasheed album in the UK which was produced by Abdullah Rolle. Muhammad top interest is general strategy for Al-Falah. He also brings some good years of teaching experience to the

# Muhammad Zahraddeen Usman

An expert in many fields of study and an enthusiastic young man with the zeal and capacity to influence people. He has been in the educational sector for over 10 years handling different age groups from kids, teenagers to adults. Zahruddeen is doing so much in the media industry promoting Islam. He is the brain and voice behind the famous "Abokin Fira", "Duniva Makaranta" and a co-founder of Taskar Malam, iHub Consults and Media as well as other media outlets. He is a graduate of Islamic Studies, a Masters degree holder in ICT Law and an IBM Certified Big Data Scientist and many certifications on education and related fields from the British Council.

# Arc Abdallah Musa Abdul (Penabdul)

An Architect by profession and practice, a caller to Islam, a lecturer in Baze University. Penabdul is a Principal Partner Diamond 4 Architects limited, the CEO Sustainable Project Works (SPW) Limited and the Managing Director A & A HOMES Limited. His zeal toward establishing the true foundation of Islam led him to the being the Founder and Director of Darul Tauheed Islamic Center.He is a Member Expanded General Purpose Committee, Nigerian Supreme Council For Islamic Affairs (NSCIA). Penabdul is a columnist with dailynigerian.com and the content creator for www.penabdul.com. He brings Da'wah expertise and Islamic project management skills to the Al-Falah table.

# Shamsuddeen Jumare

Shamsuddeen Jumare is an ebullient educationist who has astounding variable teaching methodology especially of Arabic and Qur'an. He holds a graduate degree in Building Technology from Federal University of Technology, Minna. He is a co-founder of Sparkling Support Centre and Al-Azhar Islamic Learning Centre.

Shamsuddeen has been the driving force and course coordinator to Rare Gem Academy and Sparkling Support Centre. He is an excellent coordinator of Arabic an Islamic programmes. Shamsu brings a vibrant and playful approach to literacy education for adults. He has written 4 books on the subject and brings a lot of teaching experiences to the team.

# Abbas Sallau Umar

He is an expert in teaching the Qur'an, its Tafsir, Arabic Grammar, Arabic Literature and the foundations of Hadith. He holds a Bsc Economics from Adamawa State University, formal Islamic education and a diploma in Sharia Sciences from Zad Academy in Saudi Arabia. In addition, he has successfully completed a certificate in Arabic Language from EELU in Egypt, accredited by Al Azhar University. Malan Abbas adds the pedagogical capacity needed by Al-Falah to fulfil its required quota.

# Abdus-Salam Umar Faruq

Abdussalam Farouk Aminu is a dynamic trader and a bold investor who's not shy at taking risks and new ventures on. Coming from Katsina State, he graduated at Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University with a B.Tech in applied geology and has also concluded an MBA at Istanbul Aydin University. He is co-owns Green Baobab Agric Services LTD, founder of Ice Cone Synergy Resources LTD and has various investments. He has experience from working as a trainee at Exprotech Nigeria, an oil servicing company, worked at IHM Regency as a marketer, and Solid Mineral Development Fund. He loves learning and exploring and will bring his marketing streak to Al-Falah.

# Hadi Mutallab

He is a fledgling businessman with wide corporate experience in banking, logistics and construction management. For Al- Falah, he brings on board corporate governance, administration and business strategy. He holds an Bsc in Economics and an Msc in Islamic banking and Finance in addition to numerous professional courses from Cambridge University and Institute of Directors in the field of maritime, business strategy and corporate governance respectively.

# Muhammad Sani Dalib (Abu Rayyan)

Abu Rayyan is a pragmatic teacher with interest in languages, soft spoken and has an insatiable appetite for knowledge and strives hard to implement what he knows. Abu Rayyan is a minimalist and finds it easy to blend with everyone within his reach and can be truly emotional.

He is aspiring counselor and a tech savvy individual. Abu Rayyan finds peace in reading and writing and also writes on Quora.He is a trained accountant and auditor with a balanced experience in teaching Islamic studies and Arabic Language to students across all ages. He brings a balance of emotion and maturity to the team.







