

# MUSLIM STUDY PROJECT 2000

# QUESTIONNAIRE

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**Masjid Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Masjid Official giving information** \_\_\_\_\_

**Position of official in masjid** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Interviewer** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Interview** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Introduction for Masjid Leader**

The Masjid Study Project 2000 is a research project to study masjids in America. The project is led by CAIR (Council for American-Islamic Relations) an co-sponsored by ISNA (Islamic Society of North America), Imam W. Deen Mohammed and the Muslim American Society, ICNA (Islamic Circle of North America) and Imam Jamil Al-Amin and the National Community.

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### **For Phone Interviewers**

As-salamu alaikum. My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am working for CAIR (Council for American-Islamic Relations) and many other Muslim organizations such as ISNA, Imam W. Deen Mohammed, ICNA and Imam Jamil Al-Amin. We are conducting a national study of masjids.

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Can we begin?

Send completed questionnaires to:

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Raleigh, NC 27610  
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## I. Masjid Identity and Worship

### A. Worship Services

1. **Do you regularly hold Jum'ah Prayer?**      <sub>1</sub> Yes      <sub>2</sub> No
2. **Is there an organization or group that arranges the Jum'ah Prayer?**      <sub>1</sub> Yes      <sub>2</sub> No
3. **At a typical Jum'ah Prayer, what is the total attendance – including men, women and children?**

Write number: \_\_\_\_\_

### About what percentage of the participants are . . .

Write number for each:

4. **Men?**      \_\_\_\_\_
5. **Women?**      \_\_\_\_\_
6. **Children?**      \_\_\_\_\_

### On weekdays, which of the five salah are held daily in your masjid or Islamic Center?

Check all that apply:

- <sub>1</sub> 7. Fajr
- <sub>2</sub> 8. Zuhr
- <sub>3</sub> 9. Asr
- <sub>4</sub> 10. Maghrib
- <sub>5</sub> 11. Isha

### 12. On a typical weekday, what is the total attendance for all five salah?

Write number: \_\_\_\_\_

### What language or languages are used for the main message of the Jum'ah Khutbah?

13. \_\_\_\_\_

14. \_\_\_\_\_

### 15. Do you consider your masjid Sunni or Shi'ite?

- <sub>1</sub> Sunni
- <sub>2</sub> Shi'ite
- <sub>3</sub> Other (If mentioned): \_\_\_\_\_

16. For the daily salah, do women make salah behind a curtain or partition or in another room?

- <sub>1</sub> Yes    <sub>2</sub> No

B. Masjid Community

I am going to read a series of statements. Please tell me how well each of them describes your masjid.

	<u>Very Well</u>	<u>Quite Well</u>	<u>Some-What</u>	<u>Slightly</u>	<u>Not at All</u>
17. <i>Our masjid feels like a large, close-knit community</i> Does this statement describe your masjid . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
18. <i>Our masjid is spiritually vital and alive</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
19. <i>Our masjid is working for social justice</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
20. <i>Members receive a lot of encouragement and support to try new activities</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
21. <i>Our masjid has a strong ethnic or national heritage</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
22. <i>Our masjid is trying to preserve its ethnic or national heritage</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
23. <i>Our masjid's programs are well organized</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
24. <i>Our masjid is very strict in its practice of the Prophet's sunnah</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
25. <i>Our masjid has a clear sense of mission and purpose</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
26. <i>Members are excited about the future of the masjid</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>

C. Sources of Authority

How important are the following sources of authority in the worship and teaching of your masjid?

	<u>Absolutely Foundational</u>	<u>Very Important</u>	<u>Somewhat Important</u>	<u>Little or No Importance</u>
27. <i>Quran</i> Is the Quran as an authority . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>
28. <i>Sunnah of the Prophet (saws)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>
29. <i>Teachings of a particular madhhab</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>
30. <i>Teachings of the righteous salaf</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>
31. <i>The teachings of great scholars of the past</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>
32. <i>The teachings of certain recent Muslim leaders and scholars</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>
33. <i>Human reason and understanding</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>

34. **In trying to make Islamic decisions, which of the following do you believe is the most proper approach?**

Read each choice until the respondent chooses one.

- <sub>1</sub> refer directly to the Quran and Sunnah and follow a literal interpretation
- <sub>2</sub> refer directly to the Quran and Sunnah and follow an interpretation that takes into account its purposes and modern circumstances
- <sub>3</sub> follow the well-established views of a particular mathhab
- <sub>4</sub> none of the above

**To what extent does your masjid emphasize in its teaching the following home or personal practices?**

	<i>A Great Deal</i>	<i>Quite A Bit</i>	<i>Some</i>	<i>A Little</i>	<i>Hardly At All</i>
35. Personal prayer, scripture study or devotions <b>Do you emphasize it . . .</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
36. Family devotions and study	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
37. Fasting	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
38. Observing dietary restrictions	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
39. Abstinence from alcohol	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
40. Observing restrictions on your holy day	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
41. Displaying Islamic symbols in the home	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
42. Abstaining from sex outside of marriage	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>

## II. History, Location and Building

### A. Founding

43. **In what year was your masjid organization founded?** Year: \_\_\_\_\_

44. **In what year did this masjid begin worshipping at its current location?** Year: \_\_\_\_\_

### B. Location

45. **What is the ZIP code for the masjid?** Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

46. **Is your masjid located in . . .**

- <sub>1</sub> a town or rural area
- <sub>2</sub> a suburb
- <sub>3</sub> a city neighborhood
- <sub>4</sub> a city downtown or inner city area

C. Masjid Building or Space

47. Was your present masjid . . .

- <sub>1</sub> built by the Muslim community
- <sub>2</sub> purchased
- <sub>3</sub> rented
- <sub>4</sub> a room provided by a university or business

## II. Masjid Programs

A. Educational Programs

48. Does your masjid have a Weekend School that meets regularly? <sub>1</sub> Yes <sub>2</sub> No

IF YES: 49. What is the typical total weekly attendance of adults, age 18 and over?

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

50. What is the attendance of children and teens, under age 18)?

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

In terms of other activities, does the masjid offer regularly or occasionally . . .

	<u>Regularly</u>	<u>Occasionally</u>	<u>Not at all</u>
51. Islamic study classes (other than Weekend School)	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
52. Arabic classes	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
53. Quran memorization or tajwid classes	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
54. Parenting or marriage counseling classes/workshops	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
55. Regular khatirah or short talk	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
56. Fitness or martial arts classes or sports team	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
57. New Muslim class	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
58. Sisters' activities or programs	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
59. Youth activities or programs	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>

60. Does your masjid have a full-time Islamic school? <sub>1</sub> Yes <sub>2</sub> No

IF YES: 61. What grades are included in your school? Grades: \_\_\_\_\_

62. How many children attend the school? Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Masjid Activities**

**Did your masjid do any of the following activities during the past 12 months?**

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
63. <b>Stress the importance of dawah to non-Muslims in the masjid's teachings</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
64. <b>Visit a school or church to present Islam</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
65. <b>Write or call the media</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
66. <b>Write or call a political leader</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
67. <b>Have a politician visit the masjid</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
68. <b>Participate in an interfaith dialogue or program</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
69. <b>Participate in an interfaith social service project</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>

**C. Masjid Outreach**

**In the past 12 months, did your masjid provide or cooperate in providing any of the following services for your own masjid's members or for people in the community? By "cooperation" I mean financial contributions, volunteer time by masjid members, shared space in your building, material donations, etc.**

	<u>Yes, Provided Directly By Masjid</u>	<u>Yes, Cooperated With Another Organization</u>	<u>No</u>
70. <b>Food pantry or soup kitchen</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
71. <b>Cash assistance to families or individuals</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
72. <b>Thrift store or thrift store donations</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
73. <b>Counseling services—marital or family</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
74. <b>Anti-drug or anti-crime program in the neighborhood</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
75. <b>Prison or jail program</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
76. <b>Substance abuse program</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
77. <b>Tutoring or literacy program</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
78. <b>Voter registration program</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>
79. <b>Day care or pre-school program</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>

80. Did your masjid provide or cooperate in providing any other services that have not already been mentioned? <sub>1</sub> Yes <sub>2</sub> No

IF YES: What other services did your masjid provide or cooperate in providing?

	<u>Yes, Provided Directly By Masjid</u>	<u>Yes, Cooperated With Another Organization</u>
81. Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
82. Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>

83. In a typical month, about how many Muslims are served through the services that your masjid directly provides?

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

84. In a typical month, about how many non-Muslims are served through the services your masjid directly provides?

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

IF NO RESPONSE TO EITHER 83 or 84:

85. Can you estimate the total number of persons served in a typical month through services directly provided by your masjid?

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

D. Muslims and American Life

I am going to read some statements. Please tell me if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, or strongly disagree, or somewhat disagree with each statement.

	<u>Strongly Agree</u>	<u>Somewhat Agree</u>	<u>Strongly Disagree</u>	<u>Somewhat Disagree</u>	<u>Don't Know</u>
86. Muslims should be involved in American institutions Do you . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
87. Muslims should participate in the political process	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
88. American society is hostile to Islam.	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
89. America is an immoral, corrupt society	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
90. America is an example of freedom and democracy that we can learn from	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
91. America is a technologically advanced society that we can learn from	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>



## IV. Leadership And Organizational Dynamics

### A. Leadership

92. *I am going to read three statements. Please tell me which one best describes the situation in your masjid.*

- <sub>1</sub> *We do not have any problem getting people to accept volunteer leadership roles.*  
<sub>2</sub> *Recruiting volunteer leaders is a continual challenge, but we eventually find enough willing people.*  
<sub>3</sub> *We cannot find enough people who are willing to serve.*

93. *Does the masjid have an Imam?*    <sub>1</sub> Yes    <sub>2</sub> No

IF YES: Go to the next question.

IF NO: Skip the next question.

94. *Is the Imam the leader of the masjid?*    <sub>1</sub> Yes    <sub>2</sub> No

IF YES: Skip the next question

IF NO: Go to the next question

95. *What is the title of the leader of the masjid?*

Wait for a response.

- <sub>1</sub> President  
<sub>2</sub> Amir  
<sub>3</sub> Chairman  
<sub>4</sub> Director  
<sub>5</sub> Other: \_\_\_\_\_

96. *Does the masjid have a Majlis ash-Shura (Executive Committee/Board of Directors)?*    <sub>1</sub> Yes    <sub>2</sub> No

97. *Who has the final decision-making power in the masjid?*    Wait for a response

- <sub>1</sub> Imam  
<sub>2</sub> Leader  
<sub>3</sub> Majlis ash-Shura (Board of Directors--Trustees Executive Committee)  
<sub>4</sub> Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### B. Imam

If the person answering the questions is NOT the Imam: *I have a few questions about your Imam.*

If the person answering the questions is the Imam: *I have a few questions about your background.*

98. *What is the age of the Imam? Or What is your age?*    Age: \_\_\_\_\_

99. *Is he paid or volunteer? Or Are you paid or volunteer?*    <sub>1</sub> Paid    <sub>2</sub> Volunteer

100. *Is he full-time or part-time? Or Are you paid or volunteer?* <sub>1</sub> Full-time <sub>2</sub> Part-time

101. *Does he have a job outside the masjid? or Do you have a job outside the masjid?* <sub>1</sub> Yes <sub>2</sub> No

102. *What is the Imam's highest level of education? or What is your highest level of education?*

- <sub>1</sub> High school diploma or less
- <sub>2</sub> Some college or technical
- <sub>3</sub> College degree
- <sub>4</sub> Graduate degree

*What is the Imam's Islamic education? Does he have . . .  
or What is your Islamic education? Do you have . . .*

- <sub>1</sub> 103. *Certificate*
- <sub>2</sub> 104. *Bachelor's degree from an overseas Islamic university*
- <sub>3</sub> 105. *M.A. or Ph.D. from an overseas Islamic university*
- <sub>4</sub> 106. *M.A. or Ph.D. in Islamic Studies from an American university*
- <sub>5</sub> 107. *None of the above*

108. *What is the national origin or race of the Imam? or What is your national origin or race?*

Read response choices only if necessary.

- <sub>1</sub> African American
- <sub>2</sub> Arab
- <sub>3</sub> South Asian (Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Afghanistan)
- <sub>4</sub> African (sub-Saharan)
- <sub>5</sub> Caribbean
- <sub>6</sub> Hispanic/Latino
- <sub>7</sub> Southeast Asian (Malaysian, Indonesian, Filipino)
- <sub>8</sub> Euro American
- <sub>9</sub> Other

109. *In what year did he become Imam of your masjid?*

*or In what year did you become Imam of your masjid? Year: \_\_\_\_\_*

C. Masjid Leader (if not Imam).

If the Imam is NOT the leader of the masjid: *I have a few questions about your leader* (use appropriate title).

110. *What is his age? Age: \_\_\_\_\_*

111. *Is he paid or volunteer?* <sub>1</sub> Paid <sub>2</sub> Volunteer

112. *Is he full-time or part-time?* <sub>1</sub> Full-time <sub>2</sub> Part-time

113. *Does he have a job outside the masjid?* <sub>1</sub> Yes <sub>2</sub> No

114. **What is his highest level of education?**

- <sub>1</sub> High school diploma or less
- <sub>2</sub> Some college or technical
- <sub>3</sub> College degree
- <sub>4</sub> Graduate Degree

115. **What is his Islamic education? Does he have . . .**

- <sub>1</sub> **Certificate**
- <sub>2</sub> **Bachelors degree from an overseas Islamic university**
- <sub>3</sub> **M.A. or Ph.D. from an overseas Islamic university**
- <sub>4</sub> **M.A. or Ph.D. in Islamic Studies from an American university**
- <sub>5</sub> **None of the above**

116. **What is the national origin or race of the leader?**

- <sub>1</sub> African American
- <sub>2</sub> Arab
- <sub>3</sub> South Asian (Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Afghanistan)
- <sub>4</sub> African (sub-Saharan)
- <sub>5</sub> Caribbean
- <sub>6</sub> Hispanic/Latino
- <sub>7</sub> Southeast Asian (Malaysian, Indonesian, Philippine)
- <sub>8</sub> Euro-American
- <sub>9</sub> Other

117. **In what year did he became leader of your masjid?** Year: \_\_\_\_\_

**D. Masjid Staff and Organization**

118. **How many paid, full-time staff people does the masjid have?** Number: \_\_\_\_\_

119. **How many paid, part-time staff people does the masjid have?** Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**I am going to name some issues over which some masjids have experienced disagreements. During the last five years, has your masjid experienced any disagreements or conflicts in the following areas? And were these disagreements very serious, moderately serious, not very serious, or not serious at all?**

If the respondent says no to any item, please leave the item blank.

	<u>Very Serious</u>	<u>Moderately Serious</u>	<u>Not Very Serious</u>	<u>Not Serious</u>
120. <b>Fiqh or theological Issues</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>
121. <b>Money, finances, or budget</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>
122. <b>Program priorities or emphases</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>
123. <b>Who should make a decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>
124. <b>Other.</b> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>

125. **Are women allowed to serve on the governing or executive board of your masjid?**

- <sub>1</sub> Yes    <sub>2</sub> No

126. **Within the last 5 years have any women served on the masjid's governing board?**

- <sub>1</sub> Yes    <sub>2</sub> No

127. **Is the masjid affiliated with any national or international organization?**

Probe if necessary.

- <sub>1</sub> Islamic Society of North America (ISNA)  
<sub>2</sub> Muslim American Society (the ministry of Imam W. Deen Mohammed)  
<sub>3</sub> The Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA)  
<sub>4</sub> The National Community under the leadership of Imam Jamil Al-Amin  
<sub>5</sub> Tablighi Jama'ah  
<sub>6</sub> Islamic Assembly of North America  
<sub>7</sub> Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
<sub>8</sub> Not associated with any group

## V. Participants:

### A. Number of Participants

128. **Approximately how many Muslims are associated in any way with the religious life of your masjid. Please include both adults and children, as well as both regular and irregular participants like Muslims who only come to Eid.**

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

129. **Approximately how many adults, ages 18 and over, regularly participate in the religious life of your masjid?**

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

130. **Approximately how many children and teens, under age 18, regularly participate in the masjid?**

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

131. **Since 1995, has the number of adults who regularly participate in your masjid increased, decreased, or stayed about the same?**

- <sub>1</sub> Increased  
<sub>2</sub> Decreased  
<sub>3</sub> Stayed about the same (If yes, then skip next question)

132. **By about what percent has the number of adults who regularly participate in your masjid increased or decreased?**

- <sub>1</sub> 10% or more  
<sub>2</sub> 5% to 9%  
<sub>3</sub> Less than 5%  
<sub>4</sub> Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
<sub>5</sub> Our masjid did not exist in 1995

B. Characteristics of Participants

*Please tell me about what percent of those who regularly participate in your masjid are . . .*

- 133. *Male?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 134. *Have a high school diploma?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 135. *Are college graduates?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 136. *Are age 35 or younger?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 137. *Are over 60 years old?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 138. *Are converts to Islam?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 139. *Are new to your masjid in the last five years?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 140. *Travel more than 15 minutes to get to your masjid?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 141. *Currently hold volunteer leadership roles, like serving on committees or teaching?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 142. *Have annual household incomes below \$20,000?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_

C. Ethnic Background

*Please tell me about the ethnic breakdown of your regularly participating adults. About what percentage are . . .*

- 143. *South Asian (Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Afghanistan)?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 144. *Arab?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 145. *African American?* Percent: \_\_\_\_\_

***Are there any other ethnic groups represented in your masjid?***

Indicate the percent for any groups mentioned.

- 146. African (Sub-Saharan) Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 147. Caribbean Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 148. European (Bosnian, Tartar, Kosovar, etc.) Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 149. Iranian Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 150. Turkish Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 151. White American Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 152. Southeast Asian (Malaysian, Indonesian, Filipino) Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 153. Hispanic/Latino Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 154. Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 155. Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Percent: \_\_\_\_\_
- 156. Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Percent: \_\_\_\_\_

*Remember, the total must equal 100%*

D. Converts to Islam

157. *How many people have converted to Islam in your masjid in the past 12 months?*

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Of these converts, how many are:*

If none, write 0.

158. *African American?* Number: \_\_\_\_\_

159. *White American?* Number: \_\_\_\_\_

160. *Hispanic/Latino?* Number: \_\_\_\_\_

161. *Other?:* \_\_\_\_\_ Number: \_\_\_\_\_

162. *Other?:* \_\_\_\_\_ Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Of these converts, how many are:*

If none, write 0.

163. *Male?* Number: \_\_\_\_\_

164. *Female?* Number: \_\_\_\_\_

165. *How many of these converts regularly participate in the masjid now?* Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## VI. Finances

166. *How would you describe your masjid's current financial health?  
Is it . . .*

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Good
- 3 Tight, but manageable
- 4 In some difficulty
- 5 In serious difficulty

167. *How would you describe your masjid's financial health in 1995?  
Was it . . .*

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Good
- 3 Tight, but manageable
- 4 In some difficulty
- 5 In serious difficulty
- 6 our congregation did not exist in 1995

168. *Approximately how much income did your masjid receive last year from all sources?*

Probe if necessary.

- 1 0
- 2 Less than \$10,000
- 3 \$10,000-19,999
- 4 \$20,000-39,999
- 5 \$40,000-59,999
- 6 \$60,000-79,999
- 7 \$80,000-99,999
- 8 \$100,000 or more