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DISTINGUISHED LECTURER:

A'isha Kareem

A'isha Kareem is a social justice educator who has focused on equity for racially and socially marginalized students.

In 1985, Dr. Kareem founded and directed the Academy for Human Development, a youth empowerment organization, which earned her a visit from the 3x World Champion, Muhammad Ali. After some time, Dr. Kareem felt compelled to enter the State Department of Corrections to aid in the rehabilitation of many of her students' mothers and fathers who have, unfortunately, were themselves caught inside of the prison pipeline as victims of mass incarceration.

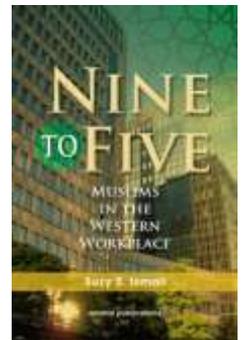
Dr. Kareem is the lone female Muslim Chaplain in California State Corrections. Nearly a decade later and during the month of Ramadan 2009, she, along side of her husband, Thomas Abdul Salaam, affectionately called the Twin Servant of Peace, launched a broadcast network, American Muslim (AM) 360 Radio. Through the use of internet technology, Muslim community voices were synergized to communicate on issues that affect their lives and help inform others about Islam. From these crossroads, AM 360 Radio emerged as the #1 Islamic blogtalk station in the nation.

In addition to her chaplaincy work at the California State Department of Corrections, Aisha serves as adjunct professor at the University of the Pacific introducing the specialized curriculum, "Islam as a Social Remedy," and commits significant time as CEO for American Muslim 360 and advisor for the Community Wide Shuraa Conference (CWSC). She is a CWSC representative via the United Nations as a member of the non-governmental organization. The Grail, which focuses on the status of women. Dr. A'isha Kareem became Hajjah in 2003 with her journey to Mecca.

TOPICS:

Equity in Education, Women Chaplaincy & Prison Services, Education Ethics & Social Justice, Culture & Diversity at Work

PUBLICATIONS



Nine to Five: Muslims in the Western Workplace...

A revealing look at what it means to be a Muslim employee in the west. This work comprises several actual and dramatized first-person accounts by Muslims in many different professions. Through narrative commentary, the book dispels myths, break down stereotypes, and shows that "different" at work isn't always "wrong." By sharing their honest stories, the Muslim contributors clearly articulate some of the internal and external struggles they've faced in different occupations.

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