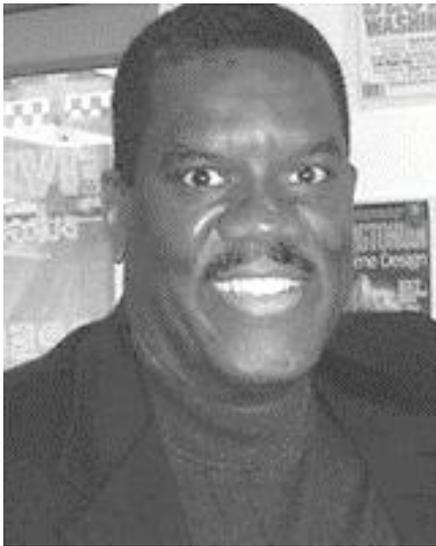


*"Leadership's foremost responsibility is to arrange the environment for individual and organizational excellence...To remove the obstacles that deny the full participation and contribution of all the group's members." –Mukhtar Muhammad, Genesis of New American Leadership: Building the Community Life*

### About Mukhtar Muhammad...

As a former enlisted and commissioned (mustang) naval officer, Mukhtar Muhammad knows that inspired people are at the heart of every successful organization and believes the urgent task confronting all institutions, is how best to tap into the group intellect and the Creator-given talent in each one of us, and utilize the power of that group intellect for the maximum benefit of not only that institution, but the society...this belief is a central theme in his book, *Genesis of New American Leadership* and the major focus in his civic life.



Mukhtar Muhammad served as Executive Director for Community Wide Shuraa Conference™, Inc. (CWSC) from 2015-2020 and now carries the honorary title Executive Director Emeritus; a principal at and vice president for national e-tailer FAMACO Publishers, LLC and famacopublishers.com; a distinguished lecturer in the CWSC Speakers Bureau; a national talk show host on the American Muslim 360® Radio Network (AM360.org); and author of the critically acclaimed *Genesis of New American Leadership: Building the Community Life*, the first socio-political and religious commentary on the tenets of effective leadership based on the principles of Islam, the commentary of contemporary religious scholars and American management philosophy, and he conceived and designed the national curriculum based discussion and acclaimed podcast, *Building the Community Life Seminar* heard weekly now on AM360. The *Seminar* provides a triad of subject matter for leading and managing the 21<sup>st</sup> century institution focusing on technology, financial management, and organizational leadership.

As a nationally recognized speaker and management consultant, Mukhtar brings a wealth of executive leadership experience to task having served in strategic planning, complex project management and systems design and implementation with cross industry experience in business, government, entrepreneurial and civic services operating environments. He has formerly served as a National Steering Committee leader for his national association's first professional intelligentsia effort, strategic planning director, convener masjid ashuraa, chief of staff, and former Muslim Student Association president. At the financial level, he has held personal signature accountability for \$2 billion+ in U.S. government funds. Now he helps faith-based organizations with strategic governance and management issues and frequently presents on governance and stewardship, strategic planning, innovation and change management, organizational structure and design. In addition to writing *Genesis*, Mukhtar has addressed topics of race, class, religion, history, and education through numerous scholarly articles, scripting and narration of two family-community documentaries, and participation in public lectures and discussion.

A third generation American Muslim leader, he continues a family tradition of service to community and our nation. Mukhtar has served at the highest levels of national leadership for his religious association being appointed by the late Imam Dr. W. Deen Mohammed (R) to the former Islamic Affairs Council serving an estimated 2.5 million Muslims.

Among Mukhtar's leadership milestones: Following the mass shooting at Parkland Florida, he led **CWSC's delegation** to meet with congressional leaders on Capitol Hill and deliver a joint letter to Congress representing over 60 organizations including the World Council of Religious Leaders in support of student rights to a safe and secure learning and neighborhood environment. During his leadership tenure, CWSC published and presented at the United Nations General Assembly, its **International Resolution on Global Drug Policy & Criminal Justice Reform**. Just a year later, the U.N. welcomed CWSC back to share an **International Statement to the Commission on the Status of Women**. He was a major writer and final editor for all U.N. documents published by CWSC.

During the turbulent 2020 calendar year, he led not only CWSC's **Black Lives Matter** national town hall, but also the historic **U.S. Faith Communities Together: Global Day of Prayer** in unison with the Higher Committee of Human Fraternity appeal, the Vatican and Al-Azhar University. From around the nation and across the globe, Mukhtar brought together leaders from Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Baha'i, Hinduism, and Buddhist traditions, for a day of international prayer, fasting, and dialogue in response to the trials of the global COVID pandemic. At completion of his tenure in recognition of stellar leadership, CWSC's Board unanimously honored him with the title Executive Director Emeritus.

Mukhtar led the call and strategy session for the emergency assembly of the Islamic Affairs Council to address 911 terrorism; he was an invited participant and presenter at a **U.S. State Department initiative** to meet with provincial governors and other leaders from Afghanistan to address democracy, diversity, and Islam in America; he served as an Islamic representative at the United Methodist Church's annual national workshop on interfaith cooperation; and represented the international publication *Muslim Journal* as part of the international press corps at the grand opening of the Muhammad Ali Museum and Education Center, producing an acclaimed series of **essays on the Life of Muhammad Ali** and his missionary impact. Mukhtar led FAMACO's design team in producing the critically acclaimed international publication *Remaking Our World: Tribute to the Leadership of Imam W. Deen Mohammed*. He helped found and served as first director for the Words Make People Scholarship for higher education, now part of a national scholarship program.

He holds undergraduate and graduate degrees in four business concentrations including systems management, marketing, business management and human resources development from The Moore School of Business, University of South Carolina and Webster University. Among his awards and citations are the National Defense Service Medal, Sea Service, Joint Meritorious Unit Commendation, Navy Battle E, and two Navy Achievement Medals; the Muslim American Society Southern Region Pioneers Leadership Excellence Award, the General Dynamics Outstanding Achievement award, and a full academic university scholarship.

During his military career, he performed duties aboard SSN Batfish, USS Iowa, USS O'Bannon, and USS Jesse L. Brown, RTC Orlando, Fleet Combat Training Center Damneck, Service School Command San Diego, Navy Exchange Service Center and Naval Air Reserve, Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Florida. His responsibilities took him around the U.S. and the world including Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Africa. He was blessed to perform the Hajj (Pilgrimage), Islam's fifth pillar of journey to Mecca, in 2001.

Mukhtar resides in Jacksonville, Florida with his wife Darlene of nearly 32 years, and daughter Maya.

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