UMRAH TOUR ITINERARY MAY 2014

As-salaamu `alaikum wa rahmatullaahi wa barakaatuuh,

We pray you are well and we ask Allaah to make your forthcoming ‘Umrah a success and may Allaah accept it from you. Indeed the Messenger, salallaahu alaihi wassallaam, stated: “One who comes to this House, and avoids all lewdness and sins, he returns as if it was the day his mother gave birth to him (i.e. free from sins).”

FLIGHT ITINERARY:

Thursday
01-May-14
Saudi Air: Flight: SV112 V.
Depart: London Heathrow Airport at 12:30pm
Arrive: Jeddah 01-May-14 at 20:25 insha Allaah

Wednesday
14-May-14
Madinah to Jeddah: Flight numbers/ times will be clarified by group leaders.

Thursday
15-May-14
Saudi Air: Flight: SV113 V.
Depart: Jeddah at 01:50
Arrive: London Heathrow Apt 15-May-14 at 06:20 insha Allaah

Your tickets will be given to you at the airport on the day of travel along with your passports. Alternatively you may collect them from us, please call before collecting. Once you receive your tickets, please note your details and flight dates and times on a separate piece of paper, or photocopy your tickets. Also please keep a photocopy of your passport, or at least keep a log of your passport number, issue date and expiry date. This is because once you reach Saudi, the Umrah agents appointed by the Ministry will take your tickets and passports from you until a few hours before your departure on the 15th May.

HOTELS IN MAKKAH & MADINAH:

Makkah: Hotel Pullman Zamzam Makkah from the 1st May till the 6th May 2014.
Madinah: Hotel Anwar Movenpick from the 6th May till 14th May 2014.

Please keep with you the room number, name, address and phone number of the hotel once you have checked into the hotel. Please make sure that your children always have these details on their person, in Arabic and English, in case they wander off without you noticing! May Allaah protect us all.

WE ADVISE YOU WITH THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT POINTS:

1. Please learn the rites of ‘Umrah well before embarking upon this journey. This includes the conditions of Ihraam and its regulations – Remember for men: No socks, no hats, no underwear. Women: Normal clothing but no tied niqaab, no gloves – it is permissible to hang a face cover from the jilbaab over the face. Menstruating or women in post-natal bleeding should take the Ihraam as normal but avoid making tawwaaf until they are pure. If you have any further questions regarding your ‘Umrah or Ihraam or other related issues please do not hesitate to ask one of our guides who are well-versed with the Fatawa of the Scholars. Please know that it IS NOT
from the ‘Umrah to visit Madeenah. It is also an innovation to make a journey to visit the grave of the Prophet, salallaahu alaihi wassallam. We have also attached a brief ‘Umrah guide to help you along. If you stick to what it states, you will be fine, inshaa' Allaah.

2. Please make sure that you have all the documentation you need for your journey: Valid passports and tickets (we will give these to you at Heathrow, inshaa'Allaah). Please keep them safe at all times. This is your responsibility and Premier Hajj cannot take responsibility for your documentation or valuables. Please keep a note of your flight dates and times and passport details.

3. Please take with you enough money and clothing to last you the whole journey. Food is cheap as is clothing in Saudi so you do not need a great deal of money. We recommend that you do not carry large amounts of money on your person in case of loss or theft – if you need more money whilst you are in Makkah or Madeenah, there are numerous ATM Cash Machines which dispense money for almost all cash-point cards. If you are traveling in a family group then spread the cash amongst the adults of your group. Please keep your valuables secure at all times, even whilst you are in the hotels. Towels are provided by the hotels.

4. Travel light. You do not need to ‘over-pack’ – there are numerous cheap laundries and dry cleaners that are within close reach of the hotels. You weight limit is strictly 23kg (x2). Do not exceed this weight limit as the airline will issue financial penalties. Hand luggage is 7kg. Excessive amounts of luggage will cause difficulties for yourself and other guests, whilst entering hotels, boarding coaches etc..

5. It is very hot in Saudi this time of year. You may need to consider the following: sun-block creams, sunglasses and moisturizing lotions. Please, please always keep drinking water, even if you don’t feel thirsty – dehydration is real danger in hot countries. Water will keep your body healthy and mind active. And what is better than the water of Zamzam?! Watch over the health of any children with you, keep a bottle of water with you at all times for the children, giving them regular sips. If you take medicine regularly, make sure you take a sufficient supply with you.

6. Please be punctual throughout the whole trip. Any flights, cars or coaches you miss due to lateness or absence are completely your own responsibility and we cannot be held responsible nor can we compensate you for any loss incurred.

7. This tour has been arranged to the best of our ability. Nevertheless, it is possible, as with every human being that we can fall short. We ask, in advance, that you forgive our shortcomings and aid us and co-operate with us as much as you are able.

8. Any other questions, please do not hesitate to ask, we are here to help.