

ICEV Update

November 23, 2007

- **Construction Update:** The ICEV Board has been in contact with several contractors to receive bids for the remainder of the construction. It is expected at this time that up to four bids will be received by the middle of December. Depending on the cost estimates included in the bids, the board will determine the amount of money needed for completing the construction. At that time an effort will be made to raise the necessary funds to complete the project through loans and donations. Construction will proceed only when the funds are guaranteed. If you have any questions or want to know additional details about this topic, please contact one of the board members.
- **Board Organization:** In a recent meeting of the ICEV Board of Directors a decision was made to appoint a new chairman of the Board of Directors. Brother Syed Mozammel Huq has been unanimously nominated to serve as the temporary chairman of the board (Ameer).
- **Fund Raising at ICEV Juma:** ICEV Board decided that permitting other Muslim organizations to raise funds during ICEV Juma prayers will be allowed, however, prior permission of each event by the board will be necessary. For this reason, the requests to raise funds at ICEV Juma prayers need to be made at least two weeks prior to the event date to the Board via the coordinator of Juma Khutba, Brother Masud Rahman.
- **Interfaith Meeting:** A local church, the Church of God, expressed interest to learn more about Islam. Members of the church and members of the Holy Trinity Church (our host for the Friday prayers and Sunday School) has been invited to a gathering on December 9th at 3 PM.
- **Lot sale:** Based on the available information to the ICEV Board, the sale of the empty lot adjacent to the Masjid property has not been finalized yet, however, a Muslim brother (not a member of the ICEV Board) is currently in negotiation to purchase the lot with the intention to help the Masjid when the construction is complete.
- **Sunday School Update:** The Fall 2007 semester for the Sunday School is progressing as scheduled. The semester final examination will be held on the 9th of December. There will be semester end celebration (pizza party) on the following Sunday.
- **Masjid Site Maintenance:** ICEV has retained the services of a professional landscaping company to take care of the trees and perform general cleaning of the site at a regular interval. Several of the trees planted along the boundary of the property has died and will be replaced soon.