



ASK Events in Texas, U.S.

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Introductory Academy of Self Knowledge (ASK) Event in San Antonio, Texas, USA

Our first introductory ASK event in Texas was held on December 15, 2006 at the Incarnate Word Chapel in San Antonio, hosted by Narjis Pierre and Malika Abdul-Jami. The event, entitled 'Light the Way,' was truly a light filled evening as invited guests and visitors gathered to explore the topic: *"Applying the Wisdom Teachings of Sufism to Contemporary Life,"* delivered by Aliya B. Haeri, Director of the Academy of Self Knowledge, who is based in Pretoria, South Africa.

Meeting organizer Narjis Pierre had this to say about the event:

San Antonio welcomes Aliya Haeri and the teachings of Shaykh Fadhlalla Haeri and we delight in hearing and tasting the sweetness of such wise words and teachings. May this effort bear many fruits and benefit many people. We welcome the fresh air blown into a Muslim Community that is often stagnated, and may possibly be available to hear truth when it is spoken.

Inaugural Academy of Self Knowledge (ASK) Seminar held in Austin, Texas

On December 16th and 17th a small group of ASK students gathered in Austin, Texas to launch the US based core group of the Academy of Self Knowledge. Participants in the weekend event came from San Antonio, North Carolina, South Carolina and Austin. This inaugural seminar for ASK students living in North America was sponsored by the Academy of Self Knowledge and organized and hosted by ASK students, Aleemna Wraye and Logynn Ferrall.

The purpose of the gathering was to engage with some of the key concepts and teachings of the ASK course, led by ASK Director Aliya B. Haeri, in a group study environment intended to lend vibrancy to the learning experience; and vibrant it certainly was!

One participant shared this about her experience:

With exceptional hospitality and great care to the many details arising, we were treated to a marvelous, heart-warming ASK weekend intensive.

With professional calm and efficiency the group was led through and studied Lesson One of Module One, of the ASK course. Because of active and enthusiastic participation by all, benefits and insights were enriching, inspiring, stirring and highly charged. Every participant shared to the best of their ability and knowledge, and all were accepted with great confirmation and expression of love.