

Chief Minister W.D. Muhammad soon to release new books

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QUESTION: Could you comment on the new books which are soon to be released by the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad?

DR. AKBAR: These books represent the third of a series of exclusive books authored by the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad, Chief Minister of the Nation of Islam. These books as the previous ones are based on the spiritual teachings of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad. They begin with his inaugural as the Chief Minister of the Nation of Islam in February, 1975, and include all of his major writings through December, 1975.

QUESTION: Specifically, what is unique about these new books?

DR. AKBAR: The books will be unique in that they are the first textbooks ever produced by the leader of the Nation of Islam. There has been a considerable need in the Bilalian community for textbooks which are particularly relevant to the unique needs of our community. They will also have utility for the wider social community. So these books will continue the effort of the Nation of Islam to provide for the social community a series of readings which will cultivate and grow them more effectively as social human beings.

Secondly, these are the textbooks produced on the teachings of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad. There are weekly articles provided in the publication of the Bilalian News, and though the two previous books were informative readings, these books will be the first books which have been specifically prepared for the purpose of teaching and instructions.

These books are also representative of the literature out of the Bilalian - Islamic community. Muslim literature has traditionally been imported from the Eastern world and very little if any, of this literature has been inspired by, and emanated from, the unique western experience. So, the textbooks will offer an opportunity for the Muslim community in the Western world to have, produced in English, a text which is based on the most renowned religious teachings of a teacher in the west. So the books have a wide range of significance for the Nation of Islam. It is a first in terms of the teachings of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad and they are a first for the Islamic community in the Western world.

QUESTION: What age groups will find the books of greatest value?

DR. AKBAR: The book entitled, "The Teachings of W. D. Muhammad," will be in two volumes. The first volume will be a primary level. This book will be appropriate for young students from about the age of seven-years-old up until about the age of 13. The teachings in this book have been put into a readable form which will be of great interest to the younger student.

The second volume is a secondary to adulthood level book. Between the two volumes, the books, will be able to be used from the age of seven to the age of 97, thereby making it available for the entirety of the Muslim community.

QUESTION: What is the format of the new books?

DR. AKBAR: The books will contain condensed articles taken from the teachings of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad as they have appeared in the Bilalian News. The articles have been edited for study purposes. The books will be fully illustrated with illustrations coming out of the Bilalian News presentations as well as additional pictures consistent with the themes in the articles. Most impressive is that each chapter of the Chief Minister's writings will be followed by an extensive mastery self-test. These tests are geared toward stimulating reader comprehension of the content of the articles. These tests are simple, yet at the same time stimulating toward greater understanding and greater appreciation of the content of the articles.

QUESTION: Are the new books like the typically dull textbooks?

DR. AKBAR: In addition to the self-test the books also contain numerous aides to learning. The books contain puzzles, games, and many stimulating questions which will be exciting to work with and to improve the student's understanding of the teachings of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad. When the student completes the puzzles, games and questions suggested in the book, he will have a very thorough understanding of the teachings of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad and will be able to gain this understanding with an enjoyable tool. It will not be necessary to wonder how much you understand because after each chapter you will be able to review and reflect by the questions and the puzzles to get a good idea of how much your understanding has improved.

QUESTION: Do the books have a utility outside of the school setting?

DR. AKBAR: In addition to directly studying the teachings of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad, these books will be an exciting addition to every family and household. The books will permit an opportunity for the family to sit, study and work together and grow together as a family in understanding the directions and the teachings of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad. The books will be a handy asset to every family and social gathering. The books will be able to be used to improve the understanding of every Muslim and non-Muslim alike of the exciting and stimulating ideas being brought to our communities by the teachings of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad.

In addition to being school textbooks, the books are really family textbooks and social textbooks.

They can be used to improve the total outlook of the entire family and community.

QUESTION: Could you tell us something about the specific contents of the new books?

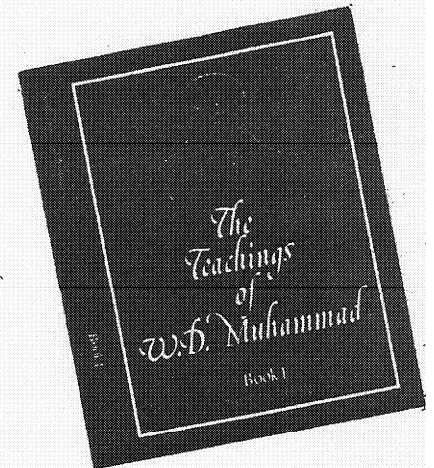
DR. AKBAR: The articles in the book cover a very, very wide range. They begin with the historic interview of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad, conducted by his brother, Herbert Muhammad, at the beginning of his administration as Chief Minister of the Nation of Islam.

Also included in the books are exciting and informative articles such as "Remake the World" and "Artificial Humanism." Included are stimulating articles unveiling the secrets of metaphysics such as "Symbolical Meanings of the Star" and "People of the Sun."

These are the articles reflecting the practical wisdom of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad in selections such as "Pomp and Glitter," "Foolishness," "Weakness" and many, many others.

The essential spiritual guidance of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad is seen in articles such as "The Plane of the Prophets." These books contain a concise collection of the first year's teachings of the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad.

These teachings have proved to be the most stimulating and provocative religious teachings to ever be presented in the Western world. It is because of this that the books will be an outstanding contribution, not only to the literature of Western civilization, but it will serve as a foundation and landmark for the new world being made by the alternative culture being produced by the teachings of the Chief Minister of the Nation of Islam, the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad.



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