



Funeral Prayers offered for a child after his burial

First question from Fatwa No. 6748

Q 1: Allah has granted me two children. They died one hour after their birth while I was absent. They were buried without offering the Funeral Prayer for them. One week after returning home, I asked about their names.

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They told me that they were Muhammad and Aly. I performed Wudu' (ablution), went to the graves and performed the Funeral Prayer for them. What is the expiation of burying them without performing the Funeral Prayer for them?

A: If the reality is as you have mentioned, then performing the Funeral Prayer for them after burial is sufficient. You are not required to offer expiation. In the future, you have to work according to what is legislated by Allah with regard to what is incumbent upon Muslims concerning a dying person until his burial.

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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