



**Fatwa No. 10913**

**Q: We have a Masjid Jami' (mosque where Friday prayers are performed) in our town. But there are graves inside or in front of this mosque. We know that the Prophet (peace be upon him) forbade this. Moreover, there is a well-known Hadith where the Prophet (peace be upon him) warns against abandoning congregational prayers. What should I do? Should I abandon Jumu'ah (Friday) Prayer because of these graves or can I perform prayer upon these graves? We do not have another Masjid Jami' in our town except that Masjid.**

**A:** It is not permissible for you to perform Jumu'ah prayer in the Masjid where there are graves. You should do your best in searching for a Masjid where Jumu'ah prayers are performed. You should also do your best to move the graves to public graveyards.

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If you can not do so, then you have to search for beneficent people who are willing to participate in buying a piece of land to build a Masjid where Jumu'ah prayers can be performed.

Allah is the One who gives success. Peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad and upon his family and Companions!

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