

Press Release

﴿مِّنَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ رِجَالٌ صَدَقُوا مَا عَاهَدُوا اللَّهَ عَلَيْهِ فَمِنْهُمْ مَّن قَضَىٰ نَحْبَهُ وَمِنْهُمْ مَّن يَنْتَظِرُ وَمَا بَدَّلُوا تَبْدِيلًا﴾

“Among the believers are men true to what they promised Allah. Among them is he who has fulfilled his vow [to the death], and among them is he who awaits [his chance]. And they did not alter [the terms of their commitment] by any alteration” [Al-Ahzaab: 23]

The Passing of Hajj Sabri Al-Arouri

(Translated)

With conviction and submission to the destiny and fate from Allah *Taala*, Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Jordan, mourns to the Muslims in general, and the people of Jordan specifically, one of its prominent, patient and sincere members of the Hizb's first generation, and a man of solid stances that please Allah (swt) and His Messenger (saw):

Thinker and Politician

Hajj Sabri Mohammad Abdullah Al-Rifai (Abu Mohammad Al-Arouri)

(May Allah have mercy on him)

Who departed to the most Sublime Companion, *Subhanahu wa Ta'ala*, today Friday 3/2/2017 at an age exceeding 95 years of age, spent in obeying Allah (swt), carrying the Da'wah of truth and goodness with Hizb ut Tahrir since it was established in 1953, working for resuming the Islamic way of life by implementing the Khilafah state on the method of Prophethood. He was patient with all that he endured in this cause, of prosecutions, arrests, imprisonments and severe torture which sometimes could have led to his martyrdom at the hands of the criminal intelligence agencies in Syria and Jordan, where he was imprisoned 16 times, placing his trust in Allah and having complete conviction in His victory *Subhanahu wa Ta'ala*. He (*Rahimahullah*) stayed steadfast upon the Haqq which he carried defiantly and blatantly; he was relentless with full determination; he had a strong trust in the promise of Allah (swt) to grant victory and empowerment to the Ummah of Islam, and he would give glad tidings about it as though he saw it in front of him.

His affair (*Rahimahullah*) was that of the blessed verse: ﴿إِنَّ صَلَاتِي وَنُسُكِي وَمَحْيَايَ وَمَمَاتِي لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ﴾ **“Say: "Behold, my prayer, and (all) my acts of worship, and my living and my dying are for Allah [alone], the Sustainer of all the worlds," [Al-Baqarah:162]**

So we ask Allah (swt) to bestow upon our deceased, and indeed the Ummah's deceased, His mercy, and to make honorable his reception, and to make his last abode in the highest Gardens of eternal bliss with the Prophets, the Companions, the Martyrs, the righteous and the best of their company. We ask Allah (swt) to reward him on our behalf, and on the behalf of Islam and Muslims with the best of rewards, and we ask Him (swt) to grant his family and us with patience, solace and the best consolation.

﴿إِنَّا لِلَّهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ﴾

“Verily to Allah do we belong and verily to Allah do we return” [Al-Baqarah: 156]

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