

Performing prayer before or after its due time

Second question from Fatwa No. 9069

Q: Sometimes when I enter the Masjid (mosque), I find a group of people performing one of the prescribed Salah (prayer) in congrgation although the prayer time is not due yet. They perform Salah, during that time, out of their ignorance because they are not inhabitants of the town or something like this. My question is: Is it permissible to perform Salah with them while I know that the time for Salah is not due yet? Is their Salah valid when they know that they performed Salah during a time other than its due time?

A: Do not join them in a Salah which its due time has not come yet. You should tell them that the time of Salah has not come yet so that they will know that they are mistaken and explain to them that it is not valid.

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

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