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He is 'Ubayd ibn 'Abdillāh ibn Sulaimān al-Hamdāni al-Jābirī. The tribe of *Jābir* is from the *Harb* tribe of the *Hijāz*. He was born in the village of *Faqīr* near the *Far'* valley in the city of Madīnah in the year 1357AH. In the year 1365AH, he moved with his father to *Ma'ad ad-Dahb*. There, he began his learning and studying. In the year 1374AH, he moved to Madīnah and due to family reasons, he stopped studying for a period of time. In 1381AH, he studied at *Dār al-Hadīth* in Madīnah, then he continued at the *Ma'hadul-'Ilmee* (Center of Knowledge). He entered the *Sharī'ah* college at the University of Madīnah. He graduated from there in the year 1392AH with excellent grades. He came first in his group.

HIS TEACHERS

As for his teachers then all of them have grace after Allāh in educating, cultivating and having the correct understanding of the religion of Allāh. From amongst his teachers at *Dārul-Hadīth* (in Madīnah, Saudi Arabia) are:

Shaikh Sayfur-Rahmān ibn Ahmad
Shaikh 'Ammār ibn 'Abdillāh

HIS TEACHERS AT THE CENTER OF KNOWLEDGE IN MADEENAH, SAUDI ARABIA

Shaikh 'Abdullāh ibn 'Abdul-'Azeez al-Khudairī
Shaikh 'Awdah ibn Talq al-Ahmadī
Shaikh Dakheelullāh ibn Khalīfah al-Kulaitī
Shaikh 'Abdur-Rahmān ibn 'Abdillāh ibn 'Ajlān²
Shaikh Muhammad ibn 'Abdillāh al-'Ajlān

HIS TEACHERS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MADEENAH

The '*Allāmah Muhaddith* Hammād ibn Muhammad al-Ansāree
The '*Allāmah Muhaddith* 'Abdul-Muhsin al-'Abbād
Shaikh Abū Bakr al-Jazā'irī

¹ This biography originally appeared on the website Sahab.net but had mistakes. I read it to Shaikh 'Ubayd and this is the corrected version with the approval of the Shaikh himself, may Allāh protect him. This biography was updated in the Dhul Qa'dah 1433.

² He is presently teaching in the *Haram* in Makkah.



HIS WORK

He used to be the *Imām* in *Masjid Sabq* in Madīnah from 1387AH till 1392AH.

He was a teacher at an intermediate school in Jeddah called 'Umar ibn 'Abdul-'Azīz School from 1392H till 1396H.

He was a caller at the *Da'wah* Center in Madīnah and would take charge when the head was away from 1396AH till 1404AH.

He was a teacher at the University of Madīnah from 1404AH to 1st *Rajab* 1417AH. Then he retired according to the retirement age in the law. During his stay there, he studied for and obtained a Masters degree in *Tafsīr*.

HIS CHARACTER AND LOVE OF AHLUS SUNNAH

The Shaikh is very kind to his students, accepts people from all over the world to his house to ask questions and to benefit. He spends most of his time teaching either at his local mosque, his house, over the phone to the students in the Prophet's Mosque and over the internet. The Shaikh usually has about fifteen lessons a week, some of these lessons are over the phone to various countries. His care and concern for spreading knowledge and teaching the books of the scholars of *Ahlu-s-Sunnah* is very apparent. The Shaikh travels inside and outside the kingdom for *da'wah* even though he cannot see. I have never heard him complain once about his loss of sight. Rather, he has excelled in what Allāh has given him in terms of his knowledge, memory and understanding of this religion. Recently, the sheikh travelled to Indonesia to teach various books to thousands of attendees. Currently, the sheikh continues to teach in the Prophet's mosque to the sisters' section. He is part of the morning programme for sisters.

The Shaikh also has a good sense of humour. He takes a lot of interest and care with his family, always providing for them and taking time and effort to please them. The Shaikh has a lot of love for children and plays with them and also teaches them, *maashaa 'Allāh*.

He loves *Ahlu-s-Sunnah* and particularly always asking about his brothers from the scholars around the Kingdom and elsewhere. In the 1425AH, he met Shaikh Muhammad 'Abdul-Wahhāb al-Banna in the *Haram* in Makkah and they both hugged each other. Shaikh Muhammad al-Banna cried when he saw Shaikh 'Ubayd for the love he had for him and invited the Shaikh to his house for dinner.

The scholars continue to praise Shaikh 'Ubayd al-Jaabiree and recognize his knowledge and understanding *mashaa 'Allāh*. Shaikh Sālih ibn Fawzān was asked about Shaikh 'Ubayd al-Jābirī and he said take benefit from him as he is known to be from the scholars. Other elder scholars such as Shaikh Dr. Sālih as-Suhaimī, teacher in the Islamic University of Madīnah and likewise teacher in the Prophetic Mosque has much love for the Shaikh and praises his knowledge and understanding. Likewise, Shaikh Rabī' ibn Hādī advises the students to benefit from his knowledge and his understanding.

As to those who have spoken ill of him from the hate mongers, he said, "You do not expect innovators to put out flowers in front of you, don't worry about what they say, tread this path, the path of knowledge for the Prophet was not free from being insulted."

And he said, "knowledge without wisdom is destruction. It is upon the callers to have knowledge and wisdom and this comes from sitting with the scholars."

HIS BOOKS

- *Taysīrul-Ilāh bisharh adilatish-shuroot lā ilāha illallāh* (Printed).
- *Tanbīh Dawil 'Uqool al-Salīma ilā Fawā'id Mustanbata mina Sitatil-Usool al-Athīma* (Printed by Dār al-Bukhārī).
- *Imdād al-Qāree bi Sharh Kitāb at-Tafsīr min Sahīh al-Bukhārī* (Printed in four volumes).
- *Sharh Muntaqa ibn Jārood* (not completed).
- *Fath al-'Aliyil-A'lā bi sharh al-Qawā'id al-Muthlā* (Printed).
- *Itihāful-'Uqool bisharh Thalāthatil-Usool*.
- *Tanweer al-Mubtadi bi sharh Mandoomat al-Qawā'id al-Fiqhiyah AbdulRahmān al-Sa'dee*.
- *Radd 'Ala 'Alī Jiffrey* (the Sūfī who is currently spreading shirk amongst Muslims).
- *Al-Fawā'id al-'Qadiyyah wal Qawā'id al-Manhajiyyah alMustanbatda min Ta'seelāt Usool Al-Sunnah lil Imam Ahmed al-Salafiyyah*
- *Al-Tdeeb al-Janni 'ala Sharh al-Sunnah lilImaam al-Muzani*.
- *Mujmu' al-Rasā'ilal-Jābiriyya fi Masā'il 'Ilmiyyah wafq al-Kitāb wa al-Sunnah al-Nabawiyyah*
- *Tahdheer Ulil-Albāb min al-Maqālāt al-Mukhālaifa lil-Sawāb*.

BOOKS UNDER PUBLICATION

- *Rasā'il al-Jābirī fid-Da'wah ilal-Jama'āt as-Salafiyyah fi Tahdeer ath-Thowra Fikriyyah*.
- *At-Tuhfatul Jaabiriyyah fi Mulakhas al-'Aqeedatis-Salafiyyah*.
- *Sharh Qawā'id al-Arba'*

LESSONS IN MASJID NAFA' IBN 'ĀMIR IN MADĪNAH, SAUDI ARABIA

He has taught in the year 1425

- *Sahīh Sunan Abī Dawood – Kitābus-Sunnah*.
- *Meemiyyah of al-Hāfidh al-Hakamee*.
- *Bulūgh al-Marām – Book of Fasting*.
- *Majālis Ramadān* from Shaykh Ibn 'Uthaimen.
- *Bahjat Quloob al-Abrār* by Shaykh 'Abdur-Rahmaan as-Sa'dee
- *Bulūgh al-Marām – Book of Hajj In the year 1426*
- *Bulūgh al-Marām – Book of Tahārah* (completed in *Rabī' al-Awwal 1426AH*).
- *Sahīh Sunan Ibn Mājah – Introduction* (completed in *Rabī' al-Awwal 1426*).
- *Qawā'idul-Fiqhiyyah of 'Abdur-Rahmān Sa'dī* (completed in *Rabī' al-Awwal 1426AH*).
- *The Four Principles – Qawā'id al-Arba'a* (completed).
- *The Three Fundamentals – Usool ath-Thalātha*.



He has also completed thereafter:

- *Kitaabu Tawheed* by Imam Muhammad ibn Abdulwahab twice in four years.
- *Muqadimatul Qirwaaniyyah* of ibn Abi Zaid al-Qirwaaniy
- *Usool as-Sunnah* of Imam Ahmed
- *Sharh Lum'at al-'Itiqaad* of Ibn Qudaama by Shaikh ibn Uthaimen
- *Lu-Lu wal Marjaan* kitaab al-Eeman, Tahara, Salaat, Zakaat, Hajj
- *Al-Adab al Mufrad* 22 sittings.
- *Riyaadh us-Saliheen* – first fifteen chapters.
- *Menhajus Salikeen* of Shaikh Abdulrahman as-Sa'di– All of the chapters on worship.
- *Shuroot al-Salat* of Imam Muhammad Abdulwahaab. (The conditions of the prayer).
- *As-Sunnah* of Imam al-Marwazi
- *Al-Aqeedatul Wasitiyyah*
- *Menhaj as-Salikeen kitāb al-Buyuu'* (Book of Buying and Selling)

Currently 1433, the Shaikh is teaching:

- *'Umdat al-Fiqh Kitāb al-Hajj*
- *'Asl al-Sunnah* of Imam Abu Hātim al-Rāzi and Abu Zur'ah al-Rāzi.