

## **Imam Umar Farooq**

Imam Umar Farooq was born in Pakistan. He obtained his Masters in Islamic Studies from Karachi University and was the recipient of a Gold Medal for academic excellence. He received his Islamic studies from *Dars-e-Nizame* at Mansoorah in Lahore and he completed memorization of Quran (*Hifz-ul-Quran*) from *Jama-e-Haneefia* in Karachi.

Imam Umar Farooq came to Canada in early 2000. He was previously the imam of Al-Falah in Oakville and later the ISNA Mosque in Mississauga. Imam Umar Farooq also ran "Quran Academy", an Islamic school for 6-10 year olds in Mississauga that included the Peel Board curriculum in addition to a *Hifz* (memorization of Quran) program.

Currently he is the imam of Ar-Rahman mosque in Mississauga.