GLOSSARY OF ARABIC TERMS

**akadith** sayings of the prophet Mohammed (peace be upon him).

**ayat** verse in the Holy Qur’aan.

**baal** women who were purchased from their families or who were captured in wars.

**Bajar/Bajir** idol worshipped before Islam

**bedu** nomadic people of the desert

**benna** a permanent marriage where a woman remains with her kin

**bil** in

**caliph** leader

**Engleezee** English

**hadar** settled people

**il** the

**jaleediyah** ice

**mahr** dowry

**ma’naa** meaning

**majlis** traditional Arab seating arrangement generally on the floor or could refer to a sitting room.

**maraa** woman

**mutah** a temporary marriage

**Shariah law** Islamic law

**shoo** what

**souk** market

**sunnah** what the prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him) said and did.

**surahs** arrangement of the Holy Qur’aan into 114 sections according to subject matter

**ummah** community

**wasta** contacts