

Islam Question & Answer

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2854 - Janaazah (funeral) prayer behind a Qadiani (Ahmadi)

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Assalaamu 'Alaikum,

I attended a funeral today for my wife's aunt. After the janazah prayer, I found out that the person performing the janazah prayer was not muslim. He was an Ahmadi belonging to the sect who says Mirza Gulam was a prophet. I personally feel that the janazah was not valid, but there were a lot of muslims in the congregation, who paid little attention to the fact that the leader was not muslim. Should my family and I re-pray the janazah?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

Yes, you have to repeat the funeral prayer, because this imaam behind whom you prayed is a believer in a kaafir doctrine which puts him beyond the pale of Islam. We ask Allaah to show mercy to your deceased loved one..