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Frequently asked questions of the Moorish Science Temple of America

1. Is the Moorish Science Temple of America a sovereignty movement?
No. The Moorish Science Temple of America has no affiliation with any sovereignty movement or the ideals promoted by these types of people who are no more than scofflaws and anarchists. The sovereignty movement was founded by Europeans for Europeans and Moors have erroneously adopted the ideals of these European groups who at their core, hate their very existence. Such propagation by non-M.S.T. of A. Moor groups is completely asinine and against the will of uplifting fallen humanity.

2. What is the M.S.T. of A. exactly?

The Moorish Science Temple of America is a religious organization founded in the year 1913. The Moorish Science Temple of America derives its direct power from the Great Koran of Mohammed. The movement was incorporated in 1926 and mainly taught civics and in 1928 amended its corporate status to become the religious organization that we have today. We of the Moorish Science Temple of America are friends and servants of Humanity whose intentions are to teach our people about their nationality and the religion of their forefathers which is till this day called Islam(s)m, a nationality and religion that was stripped from them between the years of 1774-1779 during the times of slavery. The M.S.T. of A. is the hub of mental freedom for the disenfranchised Moor on this land being called Negro, Blacks, Colored, and African Americans.

3. Do I have to buy nationality papers and get them notarized and sealed?

Emphatically no! All one has to do is proclaim via their nearest M.S.T. of A or download the application from this website and mail it in and if approved, members will receive their nationality cards and membership certificates. Nationality is free and anybody asking you to buy anything pertaining to nationality, is merely a con-artist trying to rip you off for your monies and preying on your ignorance. The Moorish Science Temple of America is a dues paying organization. We do ask, as did the Prophet, for one month dues ($15.00) up front upon membership. To be recognized as "faithful" and a member in good standing in this org, you must pay your dues every month which also entitles you to the protections and reciprocal benefits of this organization.

4. Can the M.S.T. of A. represent a nation of people?

Yes. The M.S.T. of A is the administrative arm of the Clean and Pure Nation of Moors here in these United States of America. As there are several forms of government, the M.S.T. of A is a theocratic form of government and it is the sole representative to the Moorish Nation in the U.S. and in the world much like the P.I.O. is an organization and yet it is recognized by the United Nations as a nation. Much like those who call themselves Jews were considered a nation even before the 1948 British Mandate that gave them land that they wrestled away from the occupiers at that time.

5. Besides proclaiming your nationality, what other benefits come with being a member of the M.S.T. of A.?

Unity first and foremost. Unity of mind and culture and moving one way as a nation especially as a political body. Also, the doctrine of the M.S.T. of A. is a remedy for that which ails and plagues our peoples minds nationwide. Along with religious rights that are protected by the first amendment, there are benefits that come from being a member of our religious organization that will have a greater impact on your employment inssofar as your pay check is concerned. By law, you can stop paying into social security and medicaid and pay into our organization's social insurance program.

Being drafted into the war: As a member of the M.S.T. of A., you do not have to be forcefully drafted under pains of penalty and perjury should a draft be implemented. Our religious rights give us this protection as conscientious objectors; and according to our doctrine, we are not to harm or kill any living thing that Allah has created.

Schools: We can now build our own schools and educate our children on the level with the rest of the world as the education system in the inner cities have largely failed our people of Moorish descent.

These are just some of the great benefits that one can attain by being an active member of the M.S.T. of A. Of course, you must be a dues paying member to stay in good standing to receive any of the reciprocal benefits of the M.S.T. of A. and this cannot be stressed enough. It takes finance to uplift a nation.

6. Do you have to be a member of the Moorish Science Temple of America to be a Moorish American?

No. All people on this land who believe themselves to be either black, negro, colored, or African American, are Moors by birth, they are simply made to believe that they are something else by sheer ignorance of our own history and the social implications that comes attached to the slave status of being either black, negro, colored, or African American. This does not mean that you will be recognized on such basis and this is why the Prophet Noble Drew Ali established the Moorish Science Temple of America so that we can proclaim our nationality (American) and our national descent name (Moorish) and take our natural place as citizens of this land because as our Prophet has stated "By you being born here, don't make you a citizen."

7. Are Moorish Americans supposed to have driver's licenses?

Yes. It is the law of every state that citizens of that state have a drivers license. Any and all such ideas that someone does not need a license, are purely fallacious and without merit. It is simply another case of our people following in the footsteps of another people and this idea stems from Euro-American sovereign citizen movements. Moorish Americans are to follow the laws of the state in which they reside. Every state has a provision that mimics the 1st amendment separation of church and state doctrine and anything that goes against our religious preference, will be adjudicated on by the courts where we as citizens, seek redress and grievances.

8. Does my name automatically change when I proclaim my nationality? Do I have to file a name change document with the county clerk's office?

No. Your name does not automatically change when you proclaim your nationality. You do however have the right to sign your EI or Bey onto any contracts but this will not affect any I.D.'s, drivers license, passport, paychecks, etc. The best thing to do is to go to your local court and find out how to change your name legally. This way, all of your identification will reflect your EI or Bey which will reflect the fact that you are a Moorish American Moslem and are demonstrating in this government as such. One point to note is that, when you do a legal name change, your birth certificate does not change which is good. "Let all old records stay the same..."

9. Does my racial status automatically change from "Black" once I proclaim my nationality?

No. This is something that has to be done on a the judicial and legislative level. Remember, it is a sin to take on such a negative brand label as "black" as an identifier because this name, along with its cognates (negro, colored, etc), are slave brands only, and only people who feel that they are slaves or are
the descendants of slaves promote this false label for our people. When Moorish Americans attain the political status that we once enjoyed under Prophet Noble Drew Ali in the 1920's, then we can effectively change all records the proper way. This can happen overnight if you are ready.

10. Can I keep my children home on Friday's if I choose to to observe our Holy Day?

Yes. This has long been recognized by the courts in this nation as the Moorish Science Temple of America is a bona fide recognized religious organization. As you can see evinced by the newspaper articles below, the observance of our Holy Day "Sabbath" has been recognized in the early 1900's.

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Peace
Grand Sheik
Moorish Science Temple of America