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KUWAIT: A scene from the vicinity of Mubarak's kiosk, located inside the Mubarakiya Market, as it appeared in the 1960s. Bicycles, old shops and people in their traditional clothes are seen in the picture. The kiosk was built in 1897. (Source: KOC's photo album from the 1970s. Researched by Mahmoud Zakaria, Researcher in Heritage, the Ministry of Information)



KUWAIT: Commercial Bank of Kuwait (CBK) personnel distributed Ramadan gifts and meals to worshippers after the Friday and qiyam prayers at mosques around Kuwait.



## 'Giving' makes you happier than you expect'

By Faten Omar

Ramadan is a joyful time of year in the Muslim world as fasters gather at sundown to break their fast with family and friends. In Kuwait, there are many traditions and activities that take place every year. To commemorate Ramadan and the experiences of our readers, this year the Kuwait Times is asking readers what they love about Ramadan. What is your favorite food, activity, memory, event, or thing that you absolutely adore and look forward to each year? We want to know. Email [local@kuwaittimes](mailto:local@kuwaittimes) with your answer and it might end up in the newspaper.

Ali Al-Moqadem, a 22-year-old student of Arab Open University, spoke about the things that define Ramadan, which make it the best month of the year for him. "Everything is open until sunrise, Ramadan's special drinks, the amazing food when you break your fast with your family, the different kinds of sweets every day, and most restaurants and cafes trying to build up the best atmosphere in this month," he said.

He added that friends and family exchange visits to have a feast together, which is an opportunity to meet people you haven't seen for a long time. "Also, I love the scene of people distributing dates and water in the streets for fasters who are late for iftar. Although



sometimes these people are not Muslims, they dedicate themselves to help Muslim brothers who are fasting," Moqadem said.

"I started charity work four years ago. It is an amazing deed that makes you understand that giving will make you happier than you expect. Last year, I volunteered with LOYAC and they had a special program for Ramadan. It gave me the opportunity to visit orphans and play with them. We also visited an elderly care home and had a good time with some wise people, who gave lessons from their experiences in life. We also visited cancer patients at the hospital and tried to make them smile - to forget for a moment their pain. These are my favorite memories of Ramadan," Moqadem explained.

## KFH contributes in organizing qiyam prayer in 5 mosques

KUWAIT: Kuwait Finance House (KFH) received praise and recognition for its efforts in contributing in organizing the qiyam prayer and providing hospitality service to worshippers and the personnel in 5 mosques across Kuwait.

This comes as part its Ramadan program 'Increase Good Deeds in Ramadan 5,' that reflects the commitment in the corporate social responsibility and efforts to strengthen ties with the all segments of the society, especially in the month of Ramadan.

KFH voluntary team worked in collaboration with the concerned parties to organize qiyam prayer at these Mosques. KFH continues this efforts until last day of Ramadan.

Moreover, it concluded 'Feed the Fasting' campaign in distributing daily 1000 iftar meals in different locations in Kuwait. KFH voluntary team prepared and distributed iftar meals daily at six locations, in addition to the participation with Ramadan Aman campaign for distributing iftar meals.

KFH's Ramadan program 'Increase Good

Deeds in Ramadan 5' includes various visits and voluntary work, social and humanitarian events and activities stemming from the bank's endeavors to solidify its commitment towards the society, while supporting all social and humanitarian initiatives.

KFH's efforts in Ramadan underline the bank's pioneering role in the social responsibility, while contributing in strengthening the social ties. KFH voluntary team prepares and distributes iftar meals daily on different locations until end of Ramadan.

