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The second holiday of Muslims which is called Eid al-Adha is approaching. Muslims will celebrate this holiday from July 31 through August 3.

What is Eid al-Adha?

It is the second of two Islamic holidays celebrated worldwide each year (the other being Eid al-Fitr/Ramadan).

The celebration of Eid-ul-Adha is to commemorate Prophet Abraham's devotion to God and his readiness to sacrifice his son, Ismael. At the very point of sacrifice, God replaced Ismael with a ram, which was to be slaughtered in place of his son. This command from God was a test of Prophet Abraham's willingness and commitment to obey his Lord's command, without question.

Muslims around the world observe this event. You may greet with these words "Eid Mubarak" Muslim patients, families, and staff members.