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the question

Whilst he was on the minbar the imaam made a mistake, and gave the name of a charitable organization other than the one which he had agreed to collect donations for after the prayer. Donations were collected after the prayer – to whom should the money collected be given?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

We put this question to Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al-'Uthaymeen, may Allaah preserve him, who answered as follows:

The money should be given to the organization whose name was mentioned by the imaam from the minbar.