2253 - Holding“khatam” gatherings in the mosque to recite Soorat Ya-Seen for the dead isbid’ah

the question

regarding answer 2226:
I see in my mosque something called a 'khutm' where the people get together and recite sura yasin (36) saying that helps the dead or something similar. Is there any daleel in support of this? wa salam.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

There is no saheeh evidence (daleel) to indicate that this practice is prescribed in shareeah. Therefore it is an act of bidah (innovation) which we should avoid, warn others against and not take part in. We should adhere to the sunnah, which contains sufficient alternatives to all the innovated practices. The hadeeth Recite Yaa-Seen for your dead is a daeef (weak) hadeeth. See Question #734.

And Allaah is the Source of strength..