



## Case Study: ThePilgrim.co

Empowering Pilgrims Through Structured Digital Guidance

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### Client Overview

**Pilgrim Knowledge** is a global educational initiative created under *ThePilgrim.co*, designed to support Hajj and Umrah pilgrims with verified, accessible religious content. With increasing demand for digital resources that combine authenticity with user-friendliness, the brand set out to build a platform that could serve as a central knowledge base for Muslims around the world.

### Project Goals

ThePilgrim.co partnered with Halo Digital to build a **content-focused CMS platform** that would:

- Deliver **structured and searchable guides** for Hajj & Umrah
- Enable **video content and article publishing**
- Offer an intuitive, **mobile-first navigation experience**
- Ensure **fast loading times** for global audiences
- Maintain **editorial flexibility** for content admins

## Our Solution

We delivered a **custom WordPress-powered CMS** tailored to the platform's content and spiritual mission:

### Information Architecture & Planning

- Defined key content categories: guides, fatwas, videos, FAQs, tools
- Organized content with logical taxonomies, tagging, and dynamic filters
- Created custom post types and structured fields for consistent formatting

### User-Centered UI/UX Design

- Designed clean, distraction-free layouts to enhance readability
- Developed a mobile-optimized structure with seamless browsing across devices
- Prioritized accessibility and multilingual readiness for global users

### Custom CMS Development

- Built on **WordPress**, enhanced with **Advanced Custom Fields (ACF)**
- Integrated **YouTube and Vimeo** for video content embedding
- Developed a **search-first interface** with live filtering and smart query handling
- Included back-end controls for easy content publishing and versioning

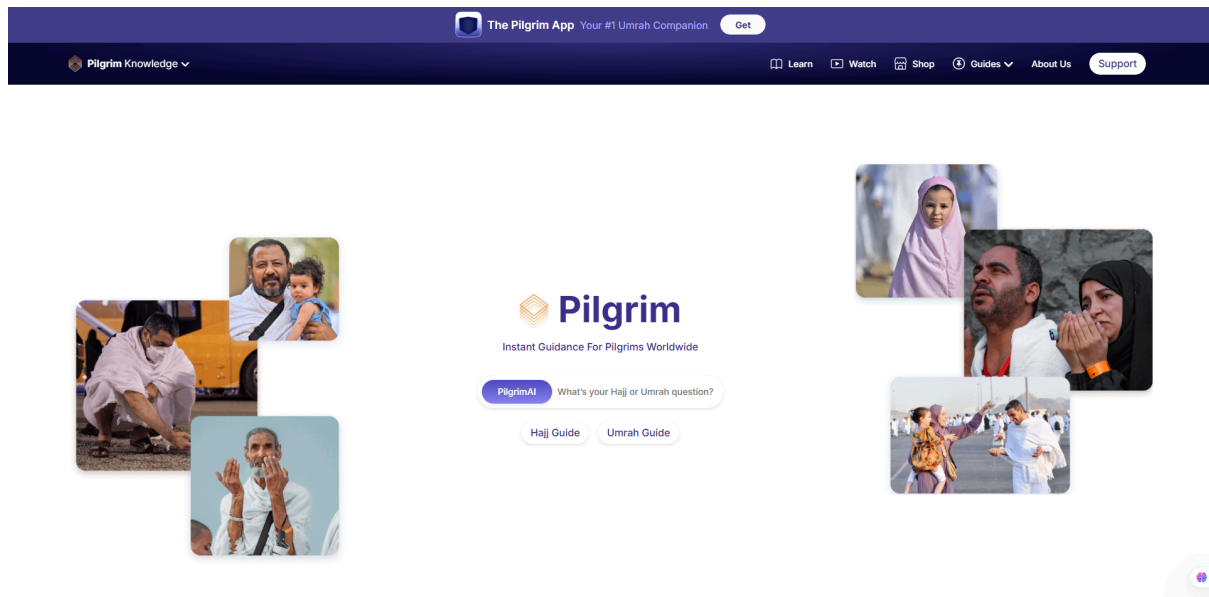
### Performance & Optimization

- Implemented **lazy loading**, **image compression**, and **caching**
- Optimized Core Web Vitals for better SEO and load times
- Configured a lightweight CDN for global access and scalability






## Platform Snapshot

### Homepage Dashboard – Pilgrim Knowledge

The first-page layout showing featured guides, popular video content, and streamlined category access. Designed to support both learning and immediate spiritual needs.



### Results & Value Delivered

-  Accessible by pilgrims in **over 30 countries** within the first 3 months
-  Hosted over **150+ verified articles and videos** at launch
-  Delivered **sub-2s page load speeds** across mobile and desktop
-  Increased average session duration by **4x**, indicating deeper engagement
-  Equipped client with a fully manageable CMS—no dev dependency for publishing

## Tech Stack

WordPress · ACF · HTML5/CSS3 · JavaScript · WP Rocket · Yoast SEO · Cloudflare CDN · Elementor

## Client Testimonial

*“Halo Digital helped us turn our vision into a reliable source of Islamic knowledge. The platform is not only beautiful but incredibly easy for both users and our content team.”*

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## A Knowledge Hub with Purpose

Looking to build a spiritual, educational, or content-first platform? We combine strategy, design, and performance to bring your mission online—beautifully.

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