

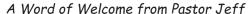
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10 Days September 2-11, 2022.

Led by

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With Hannaniah PInto as our expert guide.



The first time I took a trip to Israel it changed my life and ministry. I know it can change yours too.

We will be inspired by the rugged beauty of the land and immerse ourselves in the Biblical events that took place there. Imagine renewing your baptism by the Jordan River and celebrating the Lord's Supper just yards from an empty tomb in Jerusalem.

We'll dine on St. Peter's fish after a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee and pray in the Garden of Gethsemane. The Bible comes to life when you've walked where Jesus walked.

Bring a friend to experience God's living presence in Israel next September!,

Day 1 - Sep. 2, Friday

Newark/Tel Aviv Flight Departure

Meet and check-in for the flight to Ben Gurion airport in Israel.

Day 2 - Sep. 3, Saturday

Israel Arrival

On arrival, transfer by private coach to the nearby hotel with time to settle in before the evening meal.

Dinner & Overnight in TEL AVIV





Day 3 - Sep. 4, Sunday

The Via Maris to Galilee

Day Overview

The day travelling the Mediterranean coast north through the Jezreel Valley to Nazareth, and on to Galilee's shores.

Highlights

Caesarea Maritima

Exploring Herod's sea-port and capital with reflections on the Acts account of Peter, Paul and Cornelius. Walk the shoreline, stop by Herod's Palace, sit in the huge 15,000 seat amphitheatre, and view the Roman Aqueduct.

Mount Carmel

To the summit at Muhraka to reflect on Elijah's encounter with the prophets of Baal.

Mount Precipitation

Cross the Jezreel Valley to the summit for views of the Armageddon Valley.

Nazareth

On to visit to the Church of the Annunciation - built over the original Gospel village.

The Nazareth Village

See an authentic reconstruction of village and rural life in antiquity with a media presentation and guided tour.

Dinner & Overnight by GALILEE













Day 4 - Sep. 5, Monday

The Sea of Galilee

Day Overview

A morning private sail across the sea identifying Locations of Gospel scenes and events. Docking at Nof Ginosar harbor for site visits.

Highlights Sailing Galilee

A morning private sail from Tiberias to the northern Gospel shores - stopping the boat mid-way for a demonstration of fishing. Then dock at Nof Ginosar Kibbutz to see an excavated 1st century boat.

Lakeside Ministries

Visit the sites associated with Jesus' ministry and teaching including;

Magdala - home of Mary Magdalene; **Mount of Beatitudes** - location of the 'Sermon on the Mount'; **Tabgha** (Mensa Christ) - where Jesus make breakfast for the disciples: and the **Multiplication Church**; **Capernaum** - home town and Galilee residence of Jesus.

Then close the day at Yardenit and the Jordan River (Yardenit).

A complimentary fish lunch will be arranged during the day.

Dinner & Overnight by GALILEE











Day 5 - September 6, Tuesday

Galilee to Bethlehem

Day Overview

Through the great Rift Valley with stops on the way. Up to Jerusalem through the Judean desert. Reflect on the birth of Christ in Bethlehem.

Highlights

Beth Shean

The location by Mount Gilboa where Saul and his sons fell in battle and the Scythopolis of the New Testament.

Bethany-beyond-the-Jordan

To the river bank's ancient crossing point and where John Baptised - renewal of Baptism.

Jericho

The oasis and city that Joshua conquered and through which Jesus often passed.

The Wilderness

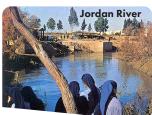
Into Wadi Kelt to see the old Jerusalem-to-Jericho road and backdrop to the 'Good Samaritan story with a visit to the restored Good Samaritan Inn.

Bethlehem Region

View Herod's 'winter palace', the Herodium, stop by the Shepherds' Fields to reflect on the birth of Christ, into Manger Square and visit the Church of the Nativity.

Dinner & Overnight by GALILEE









Day 6 - September 7, Wednesday Mount Moriah & Olivet

Day Overview

A walk across the vast Temple Mount.

Time at the Western Wall.

From Olivet's summit on the path to Gethsemane.

Highlights

The Temple Mount (Mount Moriah)

Enter the Old City through the Dung Gate to walk across the plateau where the Jewish Temple stood and Jesus taught.

See the sealed <u>Sealed Eastern Gates</u> and the <u>Dome of the Rock</u>, built over the original rock of Temple sacrifice.

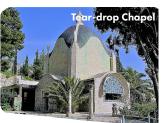
The Western Wall -

Opportunity to witness Jewish prayers and traditions that take place day and night throughout the year.

The Mount of Olives -

Start at **Bethphage**, the beginning of the 'Palm Sunday Journey'; on to the summit with its unique view of the Old City; down the <u>Palm Sunday path</u> to the <u>'Tear Drop Chapel'</u>; and on to the **Garden of Gethsemane** for reflection to close the day. <u>Dinner & Overnight in JERUSALEM</u>









Day 7 - September 8, Thursday **Jerusalem Old City**

Day Overview

The day within the gates of Jerusalem tracing Gospel events and areas that Jesus knew.

Reflecting on the trials and crucifixion of Jesus.

Highlights

The Via Dolorosa (Way of the Cross)

Enter through St. Stephen's gate to call at the **Pools of Bethesda** where the cripple was healed by Jesus; then time in **St. Anne's Crusader Church** with it's unique acoustic.

On to the nearby <u>Judgement Hall</u> where Jesus was tried under Roman law. Follow the 'way of the Cross' through the bazaars to the **the Holy Sepulchre** Church.

Mount Zion

Walk through the Christian and Jewish quarter to the Room of the Last Supper and King David's Tomb.

Then to nearby **St. Peter's Church** build over the foundations of the **Palace of Caiaphas** where Jesus was tried under Jewish law and see the cave-prisons where he may have been held.

Dinner & Overnight in JERUSALEM











Day 8 - September 9, Friday

The Old & New City Regions

Day Overview

Start with Communion before an empty tomb.

Into the new city and the Israel Museum.

Time in Ein Karem village and a few hours of leisure.

Highlights

Garden Tomb

A tranquil garden just outside the city walls with a 1st century rolling-stone tomb and 'Gordon's Calvary' nearby. Private communion in the garden.

The Jerusalem Model

See this impressive reconstruction of the city from the Gospel period - built on a scale of 1.50 with the Temple on view.

Yad Vashem

Call at Israel's memorial to the Holocaust on Mount Herzl.

Ein Karem Village

A stroll in the hillside village home of John the Baptist.

Leisure

The rest of the day is free to perhaps visit places of personal interest, some shopping in the Bazaars, visit the Western Wall at the beginning of the Sabbath.

Dinner & Overnight in JERUSALEM





Day 9 - September 10, Saturday

The Dead Sea Region

Day Overview

The day at the lowest point on the earth's surface. Exploring Herod's mountain palace at Masada. Experiencing 'floating' the unique Dead Sea.

Highlights

Herod's Masada

Along the shores of the Dead Sea to ascend the 400 meter mountain by cable car to learn of the dramatic story of Jewish Zealots withstanding the Roman Army after the fall of Jerusalem.

Ein Gedi

Walk the nature trail to see the caves where David hid from Saul.

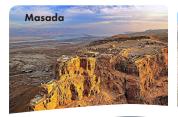
Qumran Caves

See where the famous Dead Sea Scrolls were found by the shepherd boy in 1947 and where the Essene scribes wrote the scrolls.

The Dead Sea

Time at Kalia beach to relax and for those who wish, bathe in the special medicinal waters opposite the mountains of Moab.

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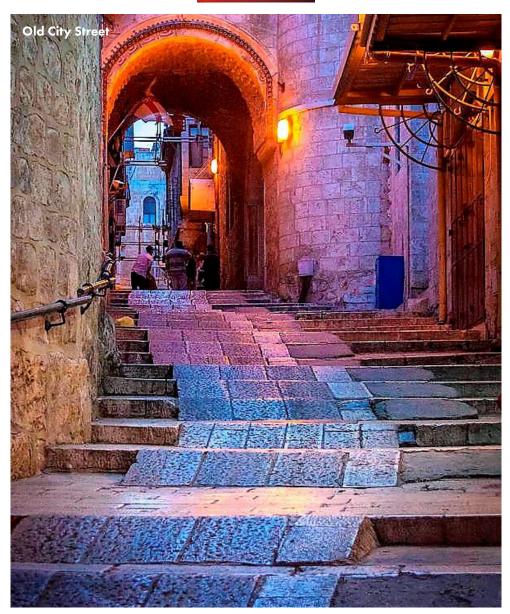




Day 10 - September 11, Sunday

Return flight
Travel to TLV airport for the return flight.





Projected Flights

Newark to Israel

Outbound: Evening Departure/ Afternoon Arrival (next day) Inbound: Morning Departure/ Afternoon arrival (same day)

Planned Hotels

TEL AVIV/ The Grand Beach Hotel

Off city centre and near to the Marina.









GALILEE / The Ron Hotel

Lakeside setting with pool and landscaped grounds.









JERUSALEM/The Grand Court Hotel

Within a short walk to the Old and new City.









