



Southern Temple Steps



Church of the Multiplication



Garden Tomb

The Holy Land Experience!

Walk Where Jesus Walked!

*November 1-11,
2023*

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The Holy Land Experience!

Dear Friends:

I am excited to announce and invite you to participate in Church of the Redeemer's 2023 Study Tour of The Holy Land - Israel - November 1 - 11, 2023.

From personal experience, I can confidently say that this trip will change your life. As we walk where Jesus walked, study and reflect on God's Word in places like Gethsemane, the Jordan River, the Sea of Galilee, the Mount of Beatitudes, and many other locations, the Bible will come alive to you like never before. In addition, you'll enjoy great fellowship with other believers as we tour together. Please consider joining Terry and me as we travel to Israel on this wonderful, transformational adventure!

- Pastor Dale O'Shields

YOUR DAILY ITINERARY

WED, NOV 1 DULLES •

TEL AVIV

Depart from Dulles on our flight to Tel Aviv, Israel. Meals and overnight on board. After dinner

relax and enjoy the on-board entertainment.

THU, NOV 2 TEL AVIV

Arrive at Tel Aviv's **Ben-Gurion Airport** and meet our guide who will welcome us to the Land of the Bible and escort us throughout our stay in Israel. Israeli guides are legendary for their knowledge and dedication. Ours will instruct us on the many sites we will visit and their relationship to the religion, history, archaeology, culture, and modern life in Israel. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Herzliya

FRI, NOV 3 TIBERIAS

Refreshed from a good night's sleep you may wish to stroll the beach before a full Israeli Buffet Breakfast. Today we pass through the fast growing towns and farms of the **Plain of Sharon** enroute to **Caesarea**, site of major events in the lives of **Peter** and **Paul**. Visit **Mt. Carmel**, then it's on to **Megiddo**, inspiration for James Michener's "The Source". Archaeological digs reveal 20 layers of civilization, including fortifications of **King Solomon** and the water tunnel of **King Ahab**. Megiddo provides a magnificent view of the fertile **Jezreel Valley**, prophesied site of **Armageddon**, at the crossroads of the ancient **Via Maris**. Continue through the rolling hills of the **Galilee** to **Nazareth**, site of

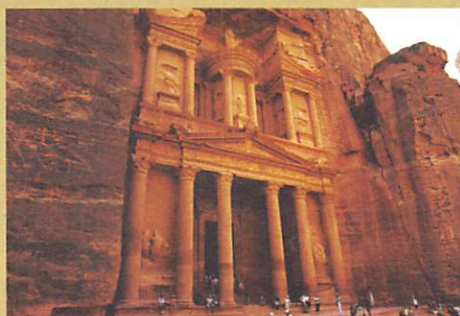
Mary's Well, and **Cana**, site of His first miracle, before arriving in **Tiberias**. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in **Tiberias**.

SAT, NOV 4 TIBERIAS

This day alone is worth the trip! We are now literally walking in the footsteps of Jesus. We will take a most memorable **boat ride on the Sea of Galilee**, in a replica of the ancient wooden boat used in Jesus' day. We will visit an ancient boat believed to be from Jesus' time found in the Sea of Galilee in 1986. We walk into old **Capernaum** with the **ancient synagogue**; on to the site of the **Multiplication of the Loaves and Fishes** (Tabgha), the **Sermon on the Mount** and the **Mount of Beatitudes**. You will have an opportunity for a lunch of **St. Peter's fish** (optional.) Visit Magdala, the latest archeological find. Here you will see a First century synagogue possibly where Jesus preached. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in **Tiberias**.

SUN, NOV 5 TIBERIAS

In the morning we will journey north to visit **Tel Dan** where the headwaters of the Jordan River are located. **Caesarea Phillipi** (Banias Spring) where **Peter** confessed, "*You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God*" (Matthew 16:16.) Return via the **Golan Heights** and see the strategic importance this is to Israel. The day



The Treasury at Petra



Western Wall



ends with Baptism at the Jordan River. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in **Tiberias**.

MON, NOV 6 TIBERIAS • JERUSALEM

Drive along the **Jordan Valley** to **Beit She'an** to see the expansive excavations taking place at this ancient Roman Decapolis city. Stop at **Gideon's Springs**, where **Gideon** selected his soldiers to do battle against the Midianites. We stop in **Jericho**, one of the oldest populated cities. **It's now time to "go up" to Jerusalem.** We will enter the city as pilgrims did since ancient times to fulfill the words of the prophet "*I was glad when they said unto me: 'Our feet shall stand within thy Gates, O Jerusalem' "* (Psalms 122:1-2.) We will visit **Bethlehem**, and see **Manger Square**, the **Church of the Nativity**, and view **Shepherds' Fields** and the **Fields of Boaz and Ruth**. Dinner and overnight in **Jerusalem**.

TUE, NOV 7 JERUSALEM

Visit the scale Model of Jerusalem as it was during the days of our Lord. Start the day with a magnificent view of the **Old City** from the top of the **Mt. of Olives**. Take the "**Palm Sunday Walk**" to the **Garden of Gethsemane**, the **Church of All Nations** and drive across the **Kidron Valley**. Enter the **Old**

City through **St. Stephen's Gate** (Lions' Gate) to the **Muslim Quarter**, visit the beautiful **Church of St. Anne** and the **Pool of Bethesda**, **Pilate's Judgment Hall**, and the **Ecce Homo Arch**. Walk along the **Via Dolorosa**, into the **Christian Quarter**, and see the **Stations of the Cross**. Drive to **Mt. Zion** to see the **House of Caiaphas** and the **Upper Room of the Last Supper**. Dinner and overnight in **Jerusalem**.

WED, NOV 8 MASADA • DEAD SEA • QUMRAN

Depart to **Masada**, overlooking the **Dead Sea**, the lowest spot on Earth, where we ascend by cable car to visit the remnants of **Herod's Palace** and where in 73 A.D. the **Zealots** made their last stand against the might of Rome. Visit **Ein Gedi**, fabled **Spring of David**, and we will go for a swim, rather a "float", in the salted waters of the **Dead Sea**. Visit the **Valley of Elah**, where the battle of David vs Goliath took place. Return to **Jerusalem** for dinner and overnight.

THU, NOV 9 JERUSALEM

We will begin the day with a visit to the reconstructed **Jewish Quarter**, walk through the **Cardo**, the original Roman street and see the amazing remains of the massive wall built by **King Hezekiah**. See the important excavations taking place at

the **Western Wall** and the **Southern Temple Staircase**. On to the **Temple Mount**, where Abraham was to sacrifice Isaac. See the **Dome of the Rock** and **al-Aqsa Mosque** that now stands there. Dinner and overnight.

FRI, NOV 10 JERUSALEM

We start the day with a visit to the **City of David**, where excavations continue. End the afternoon at **Golgotha** (Gordon's Calvary) and the **empty Garden Tomb**. Special time is planned for worship, communion, meditation and inspiration. *This evening we will share in a Farewell Dinner and the presentation of a Certificate of Pilgrimage to each tour participant.*

SAT, NOV 11 ISRAEL • DULLES

Early this morning we transfer to the airport. Our guide will assist us with check-in procedures. Depart Tel Aviv for Washington, Dulles. We arrive home today with wonderful memories of a visit to the Land of the Bible!

Important Note: Tour operator reserves the right to alter any part of this itinerary.



Church of all Nations



Sunset over Jerusalem



Sea of Galilee

Journeys of Faith



Ein Gedi Falls (top)

Garden of Gethsemane (bottom)



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TOUR CONDITIONS

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All airfares are subject to change.

PRICE INCLUDES

- Round trip jet economy class
- First Class Hotels. Accommodations based on two persons sharing a room.
- Full Buffet-Breakfast & dinner daily
- Transfers by private motor coach including a qualified, licensed English-speaking guide
- Porterage for one suitcase per person not to exceed 50 pounds.
- Airport taxes & airline fuel surcharges of **\$650** per person, subject to change
- Love offering for guides, driver, restaurant staff and housekeeping staff.
- Daily Sightseeing per itinerary.

NOT INCLUDED

- The cost of obtaining a U.S. passport, meals or beverages other than specified, insurance, items of a personal nature such as laundry, telephone calls, etc.

DOCUMENTS: A valid U.S. passport is required.

RESERVATIONS: A non-refundable deposit of **\$300** per person is **DUE BY JULY 15, 2023**, and is required to make a reservation. **Balance due on August 1, 2023.**

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