



St. James Coffee House Presents:

Holy Land Tour

November 9 - 20 2026

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Mount of Beatitudes



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Basilica (Church) of the Annunciation



Garden of Gethsemane

Day 1: Monday, November 9, 2026 • Departure

We begin our pilgrimage with a flight from Minneapolis.

Day 2: Tuesday, November 10, 2026 • Tel Aviv

On arrival, our Israeli host assists with customs and luggage before we meet our guide and drive along the Mediterranean Sea. We enjoy a walking tour of Joppa/Jaffa, the ancient seaport mentioned in the biblical narrative of Jonah and the whale, and in the story of Solomon's import of the cedars of Lebanon, Simon the tanner and Peter. Our first Mass in the Holy Lands is in Jaffa. Dinner is at our hotel. **D**

Day 3: Wednesday, November 11, 2026 • Sea of Galilee

We visit Caesarea Maritima, built by King Herod the Great in 22 B.C. It was here that Pontius Pilate lived and where the Gospel was first brought to the Gentiles. We visit the Roman Theater, the Roman Aqueduct, and the Herodian Port. We drive by Mount Carmel where Elijah confronted the prophets of Baal and stop at Mount Precipice where the Nazarenes wanted to throw Jesus off the cliff (Luke 4:16-30). We continue to Megiddo, the Chariot City for Solomon and Ahab. Later, we check into a kibbutz on the Sea of Galilee our home for the next three nights. **B/D**

Day 4: Thursday, November 12, 2026 • Sea of Galilee

Following a breakfast buffet, we take a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee where we stop to see the 2000-year-old Jesus boat. We drive around the Sea of Galilee, passing Magdala, home of Mary Magdalene. We enter the 2,000-year-old remains of Capernaum (Lk. 4:31-37) and stand in what is left of the synagogue where our Lord ministered. We see Peter's house. We visit Tabgha, commemorating the feeding of the 5,000 (Lk. 9); Mensa Christi, where the Lord appeared to the disciples after the resurrection (Jn. 21); and the Church of Peter's Primacy. Our day ends with Mass and time for reflection on the Mount of the Beatitudes, where Jesus gave the Sermon on the Mount. **B/D**

Day 5: Friday, November 13, 2026 • Sea of Galilee

We visit Caesarea Philippi (Banias), source of the Jordan, where Jesus asked, "Who do you say I am?", and began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem (Mt 16:13-23) and be crucified. We pause to reflect on the passage in the Bible. We visit Tel Dan, originally Laish, where the tribe of Dan lived. Dan introduced idolatry into the land of Israel, and it was here where King Jeroboam set up a high place of worship to a golden calf (1 Kings 12:25-33). We pause to reflect on the significance of the Road to Damascus. In Golan Heights, remember the Six Day War at the Valley of Tears and view snowcapped Mount Hermon, the highest mountain in the Middle East. At Gamla, we view the remains of a 1st century town and synagogue where Jesus likely preached, enjoy the beautiful waterfall, and marvel

at the large vultures and eagles soaring above us. This evening we have dinner at a winery. **B/D**

Day 6: Saturday, November 14, 2026 • Sea of Galilee

This morning we travel to Nazareth to visit the Church of the Annunciation, see Mary's well, and walk through Nazareth Village. We have Mass at the Church of Annunciation. Before sharing lunch with fellow Christians at Canary. In the afternoon, we continue to Cana, where couples have the opportunity to renew their wedding vows. **B/L/D**

Day 7: Sunday, November 15, 2026 • Dead Sea Area

We journey through the Judean Wilderness, passing Jericho on our way to Qumran. At Qasr al Yahud, the site where John the Baptist baptized Jesus, we reflect on the clouds parting and the voice reigning down "this is my son with whom I am well pleased." We continue to the Dead Sea, where we have a chance to swim and float in the Dead Sea. We overnight near the Dead Sea. **B/D**

Day 8: Monday, November 16, 2026 • Jerusalem

We begin at En Gedi recalling one of David's historic encounters with King Saul. Continuing to Jerusalem, we drive to the top of the Mount of Olives for a breathtaking panoramic view of the Old City and Basilica (Church) of the Annunciation Garden of Gethsemane the Kidron Valley. A short walk down the Palm Sunday Way brings us to the Garden of Gethsemane, where Jesus prayed while His disciples slept. We have Mass at the Grotto of the Apostles. **B/D**

Day 9: Tuesday, November 17, 2026 • Jerusalem

Today we enter the Old City through the Lion's Gate and walk along the Via Dolorosa passing Zion Monastery as we begin to visit the stations of the cross. We continue to Ecce Homo, the site of Jesus' scourging, and see the authentic Roman pavement at the Antonia Fortress. After visiting Saint Anne's Church and the Pool of Bethesda, we stroll through the vibrant Arab Bazaar, alive with the sights and sounds of the Middle East. We conclude the day at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, with Mass tentatively planned at St. Anne's. **B/D**

Day 10: Wednesday, November 18, 2026 • Jerusalem

Today we explore Bethlehem, beginning with the Shepherds' Fields and a visit to the Church of the Nativity. We celebrate Mass at the Milk Grotto and share lunch with local Christians. We visit olive wood carvers, with an opportunity to purchase handcrafted souvenirs, and, if possible, participate in an afternoon gathering for fellowship with the local Christian community. **B/L/D**

Day 11: Thursday, November 19, 2026 • Jerusalem

We begin our final day in the Holy Land with Mass at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, then visit the Western (Wailing) Wall, Judaism's most sacred site. The afternoon is free to explore or shop in the city center, with optional visits to the Israel Museum or Holocaust Museum for those interested. In the evening, we gather for a farewell dinner at our hotel, reflecting on the unforgettable experiences of our journey. **B/D**

Day 12: Friday, November 20, 2026 • Return

We land in the U.S.

Jordan Extension

Day 12: Thursday, November 19, 2026 • Allenby/ Petra

We depart for the Allenby Bridge at the Israel–Jordan border, where we clear customs and meet our Jordanian guide and transportation. Traveling south toward Petra along the 5,000-year-old King's Highway, we visit Madaba, the "City of Mosaics," where the Greek Orthodox Church of St. George houses a vivid sixth-century Byzantine mosaic map of Jerusalem and other holy sites. A short drive west brings us to Mount Nebo, where Moses viewed the Promised Land and was laid to rest; a small, square church was built on the spot by early Byzantine Christians and later expanded into a vast complex. We continue south to Petra for check-in and overnight. **B/D**

Day 13: Friday, November 20, 2026 • Petra

Today we spend a full day exploring Petra. We begin with a walk to the gates, where horses are available for a short ride to the start of the Siq. We then walk through the narrow canyon to the first magnificent monument, the Treasury, and continue to see the Roman Theater and Royal Tombs—bringing the scenes of the Indiana Jones movie to life. We reflect on the possibility that the three wise men may have passed through this valley some 2,000 years ago. Dinner and overnight are in Petra. **B/D**

Day 14: Saturday, November 21, 2026 • Petra – Wadi Rum – Dead Sea – Amman Airport

This morning we drive to Wadi Rum, a moonscape terrain of ancient river beds, wind-sculpted mountains, vast desert vistas and smooth, pastel-colored sands. Here, we enjoy a thrilling jeep tour through the oasis famously featured in *Lawrence of Arabia* – a truly "out of this world" experience. We then continue to the Dead Sea, where we float in its unique waters, relax in the sunshine at the lowest point on earth, and try the invigorating mud bath. As the sun sets over the hills of the Holy Land with Jerusalem in the distance, we reflect on our journey before driving to Amman Airport for our departure back to the United States, carrying memories of this remarkable land rich in biblical history. **B/D**

Sunday, November 22, 2026 • Return

We land in the U.S.

Abbreviations for Meals

B=Breakfast **D**=Dinner

Please be aware:

This tour includes considerable standing and walking and some hiking. We recommend that tour participants be able to walk a mile or more at a moderate pace, navigate some uneven terrain, cobblestone streets, steps and hills. Caution is recommended for those with walking or breathing difficulties. If a guest requires mobility assistance, they must be accompanied by an able companion who is totally responsible for providing the guest's necessary assistance. Ed-Ventures does not provide personal attendant services.

Tour Price: \$6,199 based on 25 participants
Extension Price: \$1,159 based on 15 participants

Prices are *per person, double occupancy*
Land and estimated air

Single Supplement: \$1,160 - Main Tour
 \$150 - Extension

YOUR TRIP INCLUDES:

- Estimated roundtrip airfare (\$1,800) from Minneapolis to Tel Aviv or return from Amman for Extension, including taxes and fuel surcharges.
- **Land transportation** via private, deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach
- **Accommodations** (double-occupancy) in superior tourist & moderate first class hotels
- Services of a **multi-lingual guide** throughout the tour
- **Meals** as indicated in itinerary
- **Admission** to all activities listed on itinerary
- **Luggage handling** of one piece per person at hotels
- All **taxes and tips** including coach driver, tour leader and hotel and restaurant staff
- **Border taxes**

NOT INCLUDED:

- **Meals** not indicated on itinerary
- **Beverages**, *except for* juice, tea, coffee and water with breakfast and coffee, tea and water with dinner
- **Items of a personal nature** such as passport fees (*Passport must be valid for six months beyond return date.*)
- **ETA** - Electronic Travel Authorization
- **Visa**
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation. (*This insurance is available and recommended.*)

Payment Schedule:

A deposit of \$500 is due with registration. A deposit of \$1,000 per person is 120 days prior due to departure (July 11, 2026). Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure date (August 11, 2026). Invoice will be sent out prior to final payment *Early registration is encouraged.*

Currency:

Currency exchange rates fluctuate constantly. In the event of a significant drop in the value of the dollar, we reserve the right to add a currency surcharge to the price of the tour.

Refund/Cancellation Policy:

All cancellations must be in writing. The date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due. Refunds are based on the number of days prior to departure date. From the time of deposit to 99 days before departure a \$100 administrative fee plus any airfare penalties will be assessed. From 99-14 days, a \$400 cancellation penalty plus lost airfare deposits and any unrecoverable deposits to ground suppliers will be assessed. Airline tickets once purchased are nonrefundable. Anyone canceling less than 14 days prior to departure will receive NO REFUND.

Terms and Conditions

We reserve the right to cancel this trip due to lack of subscription. In the event of cancellation of the trip in its entirety, a full refund of all deposits will be made to passengers enrolled at the time of cancellation. Tour price is based on the value of the dollar and the cost of airfare and is subject to change without notice. Extensions are usually available, but must be requested when booking the tour. Any changes in airfare booking may result in a processing fee. It may be possible, that due to unforeseen events, conditions, or changes in airline schedules, the land portion of the trip may be extended or shortened. Any savings realized by such occurrences will be refunded, however any extra expenses incurred must be borne by the client. Trip cancellation insurance is available. This low-cost protection can save you money if you are forced to cancel or alter your trip for a medical reason only. You will be mailed trip cancellation insurance information with the brochure or upon receipt of your deposit.

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Due to COVID-19, we reserve the right to adjust the tour in order to follow the guidelines and policies set by the CDC and the local governments.

The airline(s) concerned are not held responsible for any act, omission, or event during the time passengers are not on their planes or conveyances. The passenger's contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchaser of this tour and/or passenger. Any and/or all transportation companies herein mentioned shall not have nor incur any responsibility to any traveler aside from their liability as common carriers. Air and land costs are subject to change without notice. **Air transportation is via special, non refundable airfare. Any additional airfare assessments made by the airlines for any changes whatsoever shall be the responsibility of the client.** Other rules may also apply. Services of any A.R.C. or I.A.T.A. carrier may be used in conjunction with this tour. If there is a change in air prices and/or currency exchange rates, we reserve the right to adjust prices.

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Please register me for:

- ☐ **SJHL26:** Nov. 9 – 20, 2026 • \$6,199
- ☐ **Single Supplement** • \$1,160
- ☐ **Jordan Extension:** Nov. 19 – 22, 2026 • \$1,159
- ☐ **Extension Single Supplement:** \$150

Passenger Information (1st Traveler)

Please record information exactly as it appears on your passport. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport. *Include a photocopy of the picture page of your passport with your application.*

Legal Name: _____

(Name for name badge): _____

Passport #: _____

Passport Exp. Date: _____

Passport Authority: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

Dietary Needs: _____

Passenger Information (2nd Traveler)

Please record information exactly as it appears on your passport. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport. *Include a photocopy of the picture page of your passport with your application.*

Legal Name: _____

(Name for name badge): _____

Passport #: _____

Passport Exp. Date: _____

Passport Authority: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

Dietary Needs: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Work phone/cell: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double bed (1 bed) Twin Beds (2 beds)

Roommate name: _____ **OR Single supplement:** _____ **Yes** _____ **No**

Travel Insurance (7.2% of tour cost; policy must be purchased at time of initial deposit to cover pre-existing medical conditions)

☐ I wish to purchase Travel Guard insurance and have included the premium with my deposit.

☐ I wish to decline the travel insurance offered. I understand I am solely responsible for any cancellation penalties and out of pocket expenses occurred should I have an emergency before or during the tour.

Deposit Payment Information (please check one)

☐ Enclosed is my \$ _____ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable). **Make checks payable to Ed-Ventures, Inc.**

☐ Please charge \$ _____ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable) to my Discover/MasterCard/Visa

Credit Card Number: _____ **Exp. Date:** _____

Card ID Code:* _____ **last 3 digits in signature box on the back of the card*

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Prices in this brochure were effective on 10.24.25. By signing below, I understand that price changes are possible at the time of final invoicing, due to exchange rates, an increase in carrier charges, fuel costs, taxes and tariffs, and the number of passengers traveling in the group. I understand that insurance premiums and credit card fees are non-refundable. I agree to the terms and conditions of this tour.

Signature of 1st traveler: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of 2nd traveler: _____ **Date:** _____



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