

Tour Code: ASI22



Footsteps of Jesus:

Holyland

June 10 - 21, 2022

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Mount of Beatitudes

Day 1: Friday, June 10, 2022 • Depart

Today we depart on our Israeli adventure from Chicago (ORD) airport on our transatlantic overnight flight to Tel Aviv.

Day 2: Saturday, June 11, 2022 • Arrival in Tel Aviv

Upon arrival at Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport our Israeli host assists us with the transfer of our luggage. We then board a motor coach, meet our guide, and drive along the shores of the Mediterranean Sea to our Tel Aviv hotel. Time permitting, we take a walking tour of Joppa/Jaffa, the ancient seaport mentioned in the biblical narratives of Jonah and the whale, and Solomon's import of the cedars of Lebanon. It is also where Simon the tanner lived, and Peter stayed during his missionary activities. **D**

Day 3: Sunday, June 12, 2022 • Galilee Region

After our first Israeli breakfast, we board our coach and drive north up the coast to 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. While here, we visit the Roman Theater, the Roman Aqueduct, and the Herodian Port. We visit Mount Carmel where Elijah confronted the prophets of Baal. Then we continue to Mount Tabor and visit Church of the Transfiguration. We end our day with a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee and stop to see the 2000-year-old Jesus boat. **B/D**

Day 4: Monday, June 13, 2022 • Galilee Region

Our morning begins at Nazareth where we visit the Church of the Annunciation, see Mary's well, and walk-through Nazareth Village. Then stop at Mount Precipice where the Nazarenes wanted to throw Jesus off the cliff (Lk. 4:16-30). We drive around the Sea of Galilee, passing by 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 in which our Lord ministered. We also 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. We stop at Chorazim and Mount of the Beatitudes, where Jesus gave the Sermon on the Mount. We end the day in a time of spiritual blessing as we stop at Yardenit, the famous baptismal site at the headwaters of the Jordan River. Here we are invited to touch the water. **B/D**

Day 5: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 • Galilee Region

This morning we visit the great commission rock located in Arbel national park. Then, drive to Caesarea Philippi (Banias), one of the sources of the Jordan River. It was here that Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" and



Masada

began to explain to them that he must go to Jerusalem (Mt. 16:13-23) and be crucified. Next, we visit Tel Dan, where the tribe of Dan lived; it was originally called Laish. 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 Kgs. 12:25-33). We pause to reflect on the significance of the Road to Damascus. In the Golan Heights, we recall the scene of bitter fighting during the Six Day War and the Valley of the Tears. Here we enjoy the view of the snowcapped peak of 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. We visit Bethsaida and return to our hotel in the Galilee region for dinner and overnight. **B/D**

Day 6: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 • Dead Sea

We start the day at Gideon Spring where Gideon chose his army to fight the Midianites. We continue to the Tel of Bet Shean, where the bodies of King Saul and his sons hung from the city gates (1 Sam. 31). Next, we spend some time at the luxurious Roman city of Bet Shean before passing through the Judean Wilderness driving by Jericho en route to Qumran. Here we view Cave # 4, which contained the greatest quantity of scrolls. We continue to En Gedi and relive one of David's historic encounters with King Saul. We make a stop at the Dead Sea, where we have a chance to swim and float in the Dead Sea. Dinner and overnight in Dead Sea area. **B/D**

Day 7: Thursday, June 16, 2022 • Jerusalem

We start the day at Masada, the famous stronghold where the Jewish people held out while being under attack from the Roman Army. We rise to the top by cable car and see remnants of the city on the top. We drive through the Elah Valley where David faced Goliath (1 Sam. 22) and walk along the Road Emmaus. We continue to Jerusalem for dinner and our hotel for next 5 nights. This evening we experience the innovative Sound and Light show, that shows us the exciting and unique stories of Jerusalem against the ancient remains and the backdrop of the Tower of David. **B/D**

Day 8: Friday, June 17, 2022 • Jerusalem

We begin our day with a visit to Yad Vashem, a museum dedicated to the Holocaust. Next, we see the Shepherd's Fields and explore Bethlehem, including a visit to the Church of the Nativity. We have lunch with local Christians. We have time to visit the Christmas Lutheran Church of Bethlehem and see the Dar Al-Kalima University to see how the Bright Stars of Bethlehem Organization has helped the Palestine people with our



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donations. Time permitting, we visit Herodium, where we view the tomb of Herod the Great. **B/L/D**

Day 9: Saturday, June 18, 2022 • Jerusalem

We drive to the top of the Mount of Olives where we enjoy a breathtaking panoramic view of the Old City and the Kidron Valley. From here it is a short walk down along the Palm Sunday Way to the Garden of Gethsemane, where Jesus prayed while the disciples slept. We stop at Dominus Flevit, the Tear Drop Church. Next, we visit the Israel Museum where we see the Temple Model and the Shrine of the Book. Next, we visit the Western (Wailing) Wall, Judaism's most holy site. Our touring today ends with a visit to Mt. Zion, where we sing praises in the Upper Room (Lk. 22:7-38), view the traditional tomb of King David, and proceed to St. Peter Gallicantu, Caiaphas the High Priest's house (Jn. 18). Here we walk through some of the ancient rooms. **B/D**

Day 10: Sunday, June 19, 2022 • Jerusalem

Today we travel to Samaria, visit Shiloh, the ancient home of the Ark of the Covenant, continue to Jacob well near Nablus, and visit Church of Lappers in Jenin. Then drive through the Samaritan mountains back to Jerusalem. **B/D**

Day 11 Monday, June 20, 2022 • Jerusalem

Our final day in the Holy Lands includes a visit to the South Steps where the Rabbi taught, as well as the Pools of Siloam, Hezekiah's Tunnel, Warren's Shaft and David's Palace. Entering the Old City through the Lion's Gate, we walk along parts of the Via Dolorosa past Zion Monastery. We continue to Ecce Homo (site of Jesus' scourging) and see an authentic Roman pavement at the Antonia Fortification. Following visits to Saint Anne's Church, the Pool of Bethesda, a walk is planned through the colorful Arab Bazaar where the sounds and smells of the Middle East come alive. We continue our walk to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and end the day at Calvary and the Garden Tomb. This evening includes a very special communion service and a closing session. We enjoy our farewell dinner in the hotel before we head to the airport for our early morning flight home. **B/D**

Day 12: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 • Return

We board our plane for our very early morning flight home.

Abbreviations for Meals
B=Breakfast, **L**=Lunch, **D**=Dinner

Tour Price: \$4,555

Prices are *per person, double occupancy*

with a minimum of 20 participants

Single supplement: \$690

Your Tour Includes:

- **Estimated Roundtrip airfare from Chicago (ORD) to Tel Aviv of \$1,250** including all related taxes and fees
- **Land transportation** via private, deluxe air conditioned motor coach
- **Accommodations** (double-occupancy) in superior 3 star and moderate 4 star hotels
- **Meals** as indicated in itinerary
- Services of a **professional tour guide** throughout tour
- **Admission** to all activities listed in the itinerary
- **Luggage handling:** one piece per person at hotels
- **Travel insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation
- All taxes and tips for provided services, **except restaurant and hotel tips, and end of tour tips for driver and tour leader** as listed below

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- Meals not indicated on itinerary
- **Beverages** except with breakfast
- **End of tour tips for coach driver and tour guide** and restaurant and hotel tips
- **Covid related testing**
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees.
(Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date)

Payment Schedule:

A deposit of \$500 per person is due with registration. Final payment is due 100 days (March 2, 2022) prior to departure date. Invoice will be sent out prior to final payment. Early registration is encouraged. Generally airlines do not increase the price of a ticket after it has been contracted. However, prior to the issuance, airlines may impose fuel, tax or security surcharges. In the event a surcharge is imposed after final payment, an additional invoice will be sent for the surcharge amount.

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Roommate name: _____ OR Single supplement: Yes No

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