

A biblical tour of the

# HOLY LAND

Thursday 3rd - Friday 11th May 2018

Led by Linda & John Marshall



Scripture Union is promoting this wonderful tour of the Holy Land which has been planned knowing that everyone who comes with us will have a very special experience of the land where Jesus walked.

Scripture will come alive in new ways as we tour these many Biblical sites together. The tour leaders are Linda & John Marshall who have been frequent visitors to Israel and twice have had the privilege of living in Jerusalem short-term when working at The Garden Tomb.



*John & Linda Marshall*

John is on SU Council (and a former member of staff). They now live in Stafford, where until retirement in 2014 John was the pastor of Church Lane Evangelical Church. It is hoped that current SU staff will also be part the tour. We look forward to welcoming you to the Holy Land together.

### **DAY 1 - Thursday**

We depart early morning from Luton airport for our day flight to Tel Aviv. On arrival we will be transferred to a 4\* Hotel in Jerusalem for dinner and overnight.

### **DAY 2 - Friday**

We travel south through the Judean Hills to the town of David, Bethlehem - birthplace of Jesus the Messiah. After we have visited Manger Square and the church of the Nativity, our tour takes us to the Shepherd's Fields where traditionally an angel appeared to announce the Saviour's birth. After lunch, the coach takes us to the Mount of Olives to retrace Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. We will walk down the Palm Sunday Road visiting Dominus Fleuit (where we remember Jesus weeping over Jerusalem). We will spend time overlooking Jerusalem before descending into the Garden of Gethsemane considering His final hours; this is a very powerful and moving experience. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

### **DAY 3 - Saturday**

A day sightseeing in the Old City of Jerusalem. We start at The Pool of Bethesda where Jesus healed the crippled

man. Following the Via Dolorosa, the traditional journey Jesus took to his crucifixion, we walk through the souk up to the Church of Holy Sepulchre. After lunch our walk continues to Mount Zion retracing Jesus' last 24 hours, to visit the Upper Room and the Church of St Peter where he denied his friend Jesus, three times. From here we will follow the original steps Jesus walked up from the Lower City (City of David) to the House of Caiaphas the High Priest. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

### **DAY 4 - Sunday**

We start our day with an opportunity to worship (most probably) at St George's Anglican Cathedral in Jerusalem. The coach will then take us to the Old City and we will visit the Temple Mount area taking time at the Wailing Wall before entering the Western Wall Tunnels to see the excavations from the time of Christ. We take the short drive to the Israel Museum to view the large model of first century Jerusalem. We enter the Shrine of the Book, to view the Dead Sea scrolls (and catch a glimpse of the Knesset buildings too. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

### **DAY 5 - Monday**

We start the day with a tour of the Garden Tomb, a powerful reinstatement of the resurrection. There will be the opportunity to share communion in this moving and beautiful setting. The rest of the day will be at leisure in Jerusalem.

Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

### **DAY 6 - Tuesday**

We travel through the Judean Wilderness, stopping at Wadi Qelt to view the old pathways Jesus walked on His journeys from Jericho to Jerusalem. We drive to the shores of the Dead Sea to visit En Gedi, the oasis where David took refuge when hunted by King Saul. We travel on to Qumram, near the caves where the community of the Essenes hid the Dead Sea scrolls. There will then be an opportunity to visit a resort on the Dead Sea and float in the salt waters at the lowest place on earth. Our tour will take us to Jericho, the oldest inhabited city in the world, with an opportunity to view the Mount of Temptation.

Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

### **DAY 7 - Wednesday**

Today we leave for Galilee. After breakfast we travel to Maritime Caesarea the Roman headquarters at the time of Christ and the home of Cornelius. We continue on to Nazareth, the town in which Christ grew up, where we visit the old synagogue and the Church of the Annunciation. We travel via Cana (where Jesus turned water into wine) and Mount Arbel with views across Galilee to Tiberius.

Dinner and overnight in Galilee.

### **DAY 8 - Thursday**

After breakfast we travel to the Mount of Beatitudes, the traditional site of the Sermon on the Mount and the feeding of the 5000, a magnificent setting. We continue our drive along the Sea of Galilee visiting Capernaum, the centre of Jesus' ministry and see the early Synagogue and Peter's House. We take a boat trip across

the Sea of Galilee. We visit the 'Jesus' boat at the Ginosar kibbutz. Yardenit is the baptismal site on the river Jordan and should any of the guests request it, we would be able to arrange a baptism here. Dinner and overnight in Galilee.

### **DAY 9 - Friday**

We travel down to the Mediterranean port of Joppa where Peter had stayed with Simon (a tanner). We spend our final few hours at leisure before the drive to Tel Aviv for our return flight to London (Luton).

*Itinerary subject to change*

**Price - £1575 per person**

#### **What the price includes**

- Return flights from London Luton to Tel Aviv (Details of flight numbers and times have not yet been finalised)
- Accommodation in good quality hotels in twin bedded rooms with private facilities on half board basis
- Transfer of passengers and baggage
- Sightseeing as in itinerary
- Services of a fully qualified English
- Travel by air-conditioned coaches
- Entrance fees, gratuities, service charges and portorage
- Airport taxes
- ATOL Protection Contribution

#### **Not included in the price**

- Travel from your home to UK airport
- Single supplement £424 per person will apply
- Travel insurance (see back page)
- Payments by credit card will incur a 2% admin charge

Please note that the cost of the tour may be subject to surcharges - please see the booking conditions. Currency exchange rates used £1 =US\$1.4649 as published in the Financial Times on 5th January 2016.

## How to Book

Please complete the attached booking form and send it along with a photocopy of your passport and full payment to:

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### Travel advice

For the latest travel advice please visit [www.fco.gov.uk](http://www.fco.gov.uk), see BBC Ceefax page 470 onwards or call 0870 606 0290.

### Further information and paying the balance

Further information will be sent to you regarding any action that may be required approximately 12 weeks before departure.

A final invoice will also be sent at this time and the balance for the tour must be paid at least 8 weeks before departure.

### Travel information

Full travel information, including details of meeting points, flight times, accommodation and travel information, will be sent to you approximately 2 weeks before departure. Normally, tickets are not issued but are handed to you at the airport or departure point by our representative who will be there to ensure that you depart without a hitch and to deal with any last minute difficulties.

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### Gratuities

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### Room check in and check out times

The standard international practice is to let rooms from midday to midday. However times do vary. Check-in times are usually between 2pm and 3pm, check-out times between 11am and 12 noon on the day of departure. Therefore, if you check-in immediately after a night flight this would normally count as one night's accommodation. Similarly if your return flight is at night you will normally be required to vacate your room at 12 noon prior to leaving for the airport. Day rooms are subject to availability/cost and should be arranged locally with the accommodation management.

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