## A wonderful tour of the

# HOLY LAND

# Led by the Rev'd Alan Munden

Monday 24th September - Monday 1st October 2018



## Worldwide Christian Travel

Visiting the Holy Land is always a special experience. We see places already known to us through our Bible reading eg Jerusalem, Jericho, Galilee and Capernaum; and significant sites such as Sepphoris, Masada and Qumran.



The combination of three world faiths, history, geography and politics provides an interesting background to our own Christian faith and worship.

Alan Munden is currently on the staff team at Jesmond Parish Church, Newcastle upon Tyne having previously served in Anglican churches in Cheltenham and Coventry. This will be his seventh visit to Israel.

His main interests are biblical archaeology and the history of Protestant mission.

### Monday

We leave Manchester on a direct flight to Tel Aviv, where we will be met on arrival for transfer to our hotel in Netanya for dinner and overnight.

### Tuesday

We drive to Caesarea (the Roman capital) to see the amphitheatre and aquaduct and then continue to Megiddo, Sepphoris, and Nazareth Village (depicting life as in the times of Jesus), we continue to Tiberias for dinner and overnight.

## Wednesday

We start the day with a visit to the 2000 year old ancient boat at a nearby kibbutz. We sail across the

Sea of Galilee on a replica of this boat, pausing during this for worship. We visit sites associated with Jesus' ministry: Migdal (where a 1st century synagogue has recently been found); Visit Chorazim, Capernaum (Jesus' home town, with its ancient synagogue and Peter's house); and Tabgha (possible site of the feeding of the 5000, and a lakeside resurrection appearance of Jesus) and the Mount of Beatitudes (the setting of the Sermon on the Mount). Dinner and overnight in Tiberias.

## Thursday

We travel south, visiting Beth Shean, Qasr al Yahud (place of John's baptisms); Jericho (one of Herod's palaces), Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, possibly associated with John the Baptist; arriving in Jerusalem, we view the Old City from the Mount of Olives. We see the Western Wall; and explore the Western Wall tunnels. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

## Friday

We visit the Herodion (Herod's palace and burial place) and drive along the shore of the Dead Sea (the lowest place on the earth's surface), and visit the ancient fortress of Masada (another of Herod's fortresses, and the famed site of Jewish resistance); Depending on the weather, it may be possible to "float" in the Dead Sea.

Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

## Saturday

Visit the Bethlehem and the Church of the Nativity and the Shepherds Fields. Return to Jerusalem for a walking tour of the Old City. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

## Sunday

We join the 9.30 am service at Christchurch. We then trace the Palm Sunday path down from the Mount of Olives into the city, pausing at the Dominus Flavit church (recalling Jesus weeping over Jerusalem). We see Gethsemane and then visit the Pool of Siloam.

Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

## Monday

Visit Yad Vashem and the Bible Lands Museum and then a free afternoon until we travel to Tel Aviv for our return flight to Manchester.

## Itinerary subject to change

## Price £1675 per person

## What the price includes

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

## Not included in the price

- Travel from home to UK airport
- Single supplement £378 per person
- Travel insurance (see back page)

Please note that the cost of the tour may be subject to surcharges - please see the booking conditions. Currency exchange rates used  $\pounds 1 = US\$1.351$  as published in the Financial Times on 2nd January 2018.

\* APC (ATOL Protection Contribution) provides passenger protection via the ATTF (Air Travel Trust Fund). For further information visit www.caa.co.uk

#### How to Book

You can book this tour by completing the attached booking form and sending it together with your deposit of £200 (full payment if within 10 weeks of departure) to:

#### Worldwide Christian Travel 36 Coldharbour Road, Bristol BS6 7NA

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#### **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 10 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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#### **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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