

Discover the Land of the Bible

ISRAEL TOUR

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Saturday 9th - Tuesday 19th October 2021



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John is currently Pastor of Tyndale Baptist Community Church which serves the Yate and Chipping Sodbury area. Previously John and his wife Ruth served in two churches, in Worthing and in Bath, before spending the best part of 3 years working at the Garden Tomb in Jerusalem when they got to know the land of Israel very well.

On their return to the UK they helped run an evangelical retreat centre near Oxford before returning to the pastoral ministry.

After a much appreciated tour in 2019, they are looking forward to showing another group around the country they love.

Day 1

Fly Easyjet from Luton to Ben Gurion, then on to our hotel in Jerusalem for overnight.

Day 2

We will start our tour from the Mount of Olives, just to take in the view and get a panoramic perspective of the city before visiting the City of David which includes a walk through Hezekiah's Tunnel carved out of solid rock to bring water into the city in 716 BC. It is wet and dark but great fun. The tunnel finishes at what is thought to be the Pool of Siloam where Jesus told the blind man to wash his eyes and he would see. For those who prefer not to get their feet wet, there is the Canaanite tunnel which is dry and well lit.

We will then go on to Bethlehem for lunch, then visit Church of Nativity and the Shepherd's Fields. We may also be able to visit a local shop which sells olive wood items. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 3

We will begin the day again at the Mount of Olives, but this time we will take in the view before walking down the Palm Sunday Road visiting Dominus Flevit and the Garden of Gethsemane. We will then go to the church of St Peter in Gallicantu which was built over the site of the house of the High Priest Caiaphas and the dungeon where Jesus was imprisoned before his trial. From there we will enter the Old City through the Zion Gate to have lunch in the Jewish quarter. We will then walk through the Jewish Quarter picking out various points of interest including the Cardo,

the Broad Wall and the Churva Synagogue on our way to Davison Centre to see the Southern Steps of the Temple area where Jesus would have taught the crowds, and the remains of the Roman shopping street. We will end our day at the Western Wall before returning to our hotel. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 4

We will leave the city and drive to Masada. This fortress city was built by Herod and is one of the most important historical sites in Israel. The cable car will take us to the plateau with its stunning views across the Dead Sea to Jordan and the Land of Moab. We will then head to a regional hotel where we can have lunch and swim in the Dead Sea and perhaps use the hotel swimming pool. On the return journey we will stop at En Gedi and stroll up to the waterfalls to appreciate the kind of terrain in which David hid when he was on the run from King Saul, and which inspired some of the Psalms he wrote. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 5

We will enter the Old City to visit St Annes Church and Pool of Bethesda, and continue on to Ecce Homo. We will walk most of the Via Dolorosa finishing at the Church of Holy Sepulchre. We will have lunch at Christchurch then have a brief visit to their Heritage Centre before picking up the coach to take us to Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust Memorial Museum. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 6

This morning we will visit Shiloh where the Tabernacle was pitched until King Solomon built the Temple in Jerusalem, then we will visit Bethel, where Jacob had his dream, and Jeroboam set up an idol to be an alternative place of worship to Jerusalem for those living in the Northern Kingdom of Israel. We will return to Jerusalem and have lunch and shopping time around Ben Yehuda/Jaffa Streets before heading to the Garden Tomb where we will have a Tour followed by a Communion Service. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

Day 7

We will start our day by a visit to view the Menorah and Knesset building. We will then go to the Israel Museum where we will visit the Shrine of the Book exhibition which houses information and displays some fragments of the Dead Sea Scrolls. While we are at the museum we will also see a model of the city of Jerusalem as it may have looked in Jesus' time. We will then drive to Qumran for lunch, and learn about the community of Essenes who lived there and to explore the site where the Dead Sea scrolls were found. We will then travel to Tiberias via the Jordan valley. Dinner and overnight in Tiberias.

Day 8

Today we will tour the Galilee region including Capernaum, Tabgha where Jesus is thought to have fed the 5,000, St Peter's Primacy and the Church of the Beatitudes. We will have lunch in Magdala before seeing the excavations there, then visit the 'Jesus Boat', finishing our day with a boat ride on Galilee. Dinner and overnight in Tiberias.

Day 9

We will drive to Tel Dan then continue to Banias (Caesarea Philippi) before travelling back to Tiberias via the Golan Heights and driving back to the hotel via the Eastern shore of Lake Galilee. Dinner and overnight in Tiberias.

Day 10

We will head to Nazareth where we will visit Nazareth Village which depicts everyday life as in the time of Jesus then we will visit

the Church of the Annunciation. After lunch in Nazareth we will return to Tiberias via a short stop at the Mount of the Precipice and passing by Mount Tabor which is thought to be a possible site for the transfiguration. Dinner and overnight in Tiberias.

Day 11

This morning we will leave Tiberias and drive to Mount Carmel to see the area where Elijah challenged the prophets of Baal, then we will begin to head towards Ben Gurion Airport ready for our homeward flight.

Price £2235

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 speaking guide
- Travel by air-conditioned coaches
- Entrance fees, gratuities, service charges and portorage
- Airport taxes
- ATOL Protection Contribution*

Not included in the price

- Travel between home and UK airport
- Single supplement £590 per person
- Lunches and drinks
- 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 £1 = US\$1.3194 as published in the Financial Times on 31st December 2019

* APC (ATOL Protection Contribution) which 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:

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for travel but you may wish to consult your own doctor for advice concerning this. If you have any queries regarding the above, we will be happy to help.

Travel Advice

For the latest travel advice please visit 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 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.

Travel Insurance

It is compulsory to have travel insurance for your booking. Holiday Extras have a range of policies available at very competitive prices.

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Gratuities

Our normal procedure is to deal with tips on a group basis and these are included in the price. The tour leader will distribute them to the guide, driver and hotels on your behalf. Individual tipping is not recommended unless the circumstances are exceptional.

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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