### A wonderful tour to



# ISRAEL

Tuesday 2nd - Friday 12th May 2023

## Led by Mark & Sharon Roberts and Professor Julian Evans OBE

Optional 4 nights in Netanya at the end of the tour returning on Tuesday 16th May





Visit the ancient and vibrant city of Jerusalem, tracing the footsteps of Jesus. Travel back 3000 years to the City of David and the times of the Biblical Kings. Visit the Garden of Gethsemane, Golgotha and Caiaphas' house. Stand on the ruins of Jericho and scale the heights of Fortress Masada. Relax at the waterfront Ron Beach Hotel, sail on lake Galilee and visit Capernaum, Korazin and Bethsaida among many others.

#### Your tour guides will be Mark and Sharon Roberts

Mark is the Managing Director of DayOne Christian Ministries. He is married to Sharon and they have three grown up children.





Mark & Sharon Roberts Professor Julian Evans

#### **Professor Julian Evans OBE**

Julian Evans is a forest scientist, and currently a Forestry Commissioner, who became a Christian in his early 20s. He is a member of an FIEC church in Alton and was on the board of Tearfund for many years. He has written several books including *God's Trees - trees, forests and wood in the Bible (DayOne)*. He is married to Margaret and has three grown-up sons and three granddaughters.

There is an optional stay with no planned excursions at the Seasons Hotel in Netanya for an extra 4 nights at £495 per person. Netanya is now known as Israel's French Rivera partly due to its wonderful Mediterranean sandy beaches. Returning on Tuesday 16th May.

#### Day 1 - Tuesday

Early flight from Heathrow to Tel Aviv where we will be met and transferred by air-conditioned coach to the Grand Court Hotel in Jerusalem. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

#### Day 2 - Wednesday

We visit the Shrine of the Book and the WW2 cemetery in Jerusalem. Drive to the top of the Mount of Olives and walk down the Palm Sunday Road to Dominus Flevit recalling Jesus weeping over Jerusalem, and also understand the significance of burial in a Jewish context. Visit the Garden of Gethsemane, before walking through the Western Wall Tunnel (Kotel) and hear about the significance and location of the Temple. Coming out onto the Via Dolorosa, the coach picks us up below the Lion Gate (St. Stephen's Gate). Drive to St Peter in Gallicantu which we will visit seeing "Caiaphas' house" and the prison cell - and remembering Peter's denial of Jesus.

Lunch outside the city. Drive to the Garden Tomb and share in the Lord's Table together, then a brief time to to learn about the trees and shrubs, rest and/or visit the shop.

Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

#### Day 3 - Thursday

Go up onto the Temple Mount area and gain an understanding of the Biblical history of Moriah, and Araunah's threshing floor and Jesus' many visits to this incredible place. Walking tour of the Old City from the Pools of Bethesda – understanding John 5. Visit the Roman Pavement

/ Lithostratos, Herod's Cistern, and Ecce Homo. Visit the Jewish Quarter, see Nehemiah's broad wall. Lunch near the Cardo.

Walk through the Dung Gate down to the City of David archaeological centre and see the 3D presentation of the history of David's city. We then make our way down noting the importance of recent archaeological discoveries, arriving at Warren's Shaft and the entrance to Hezekiah's tunnel. Walk through Hezekiah's Tunnel (appropriately prepared with torches and water shoes) to the Pool of Siloam or a dry walk through an older Canaanite tunnel. Visit the Herodian Street.

Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

#### Day 4 - Friday

Visit Jerusalem Botanic Gardens and the special Kew Biblical trail. Return through and have a brief stop in the Valley of Elah. Continue to Bethlehem, visiting the Shepherds fields.

Our Lady of the Ark of Covenant at Kiryat Yeaarim. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

#### Day 5 - Saturday

An early drive south through the Judean Hills past the Inn Of The Good Samaritan to Masada the historic site of Jewish last stand against the Romans. Then to Qumran for lunch before visiting the ruins to understand the biblical significance of the Dead Sea Scrolls. Visit En Gedi National Park to see the waterfalls, then onto The Dead Sea with an opportunity to float in the world's lowest sea, 423m below sea level. Travel to Bethabara, the site where Jesus was baptised before ending the day visiting the

site of Old Testament Jericho, 'Zaccheus's' sycamorefig tree, and also Elisha's spring. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

#### Day 6 - Sunday

Morning Service at the Hotel.

Rest of the morning free.

Afternoon join us for an optional walk. Evening service at the hotel.

Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

#### Day 7 - Monday

Early drive up through the Jordan Valley to visit Samaria, Nablus and the vineyard. Continue to Beth Shean where the Philistines hung the bodies of King Saul and his sons on the city walls, stopping for lunch at an appropriate place. Visit Gideon's spring at the foot of Mount Gilboa.

Overnight at the Ron Beach Hotel in Tiberius on the shores of Lake Galilee.

#### Day 8 - Tuesday

Today we will gain an overview of the northern towns and Jesus' ministry within the 'gospel triangle' of Capernaum-Korazin-Bethsaida, also noting the significance of the Horns of Hattin. We begin with an early morning sail on the Sea of Galilee, observing the geography of the lake. Then visit Nof Ginossar to see the Galilee Boat, before visiting Magdala en route to Capernaum to see the significance of the archaeological remains there and of particular interest the Via Maris milestone. We will stop for lunch near the Lake.

Drive to the Mount of Beatitudes for a visit and to consider the importance of the Sermon on the Mount. Then drive to visit St Peter's Primacy / Tabgha where the Lord Jesus met with his disciples by the shore, before driving to Korazin to see the ruins, noting the importance of the Mikveh. Dinner and overnight in Tiberius.

#### Day 9 - Wednesday

Drive to Tel Dan Nature Reserve, seeing Mount Hermon in the distance. We walk through the park, stand under the 'great spreading tree', to the site of the altar which gives background to the idolatry at Dan in Biblical history. Then onto the ancient gate of Tel Dan where we will understand the structure and significance of the 'Gate' of the city in those days. Visit Caesarea Philippi (Banyas) gaining some background in Greek mythology, and the significance of "Gates of Hell" and Peter's confession of Jesus in context. We visit Tel Hazor, conquered by Joshua and later a main city of King

Solomon, a UNESCO world heritage site and travel back from the other side of Lake Galilee to visit Kursi and recalling Jesus healing the demonpossessed man.

Dinner and overnight in Tiberius.

#### Day 10 - Thursday

Drive to Nazareth, passing through Cana and noting the significance of Jewish weddings and the importance in Christ's ministry. Visit the Biblical village. Drive to Megiddo through the plain of Armageddon, passing Mount Tabor, the traditional site of Jesus' transfiguration. Stop for lunch before visiting Megiddo and then walk through the tunnel to meet the coach. Go up the Mount Carmel range and visit Muhraqah where we will understand Elijah and the significance of 1 Kings 18. See one of the finest views across the Jezreel plains. Visit Caesarea by the sea, the place of Paul's departure, and see the ancient Roman amphitheatre and ancient aqueduct. Overnight at Hotel in Netanya.

#### Day 11 - Friday

Morning visit to the Neot Kedumim - the remarkable 625 acre Biblical Landscape Reserve near Tel Aviv.

We transfer to Ben Gurion airport Tel Aviv for our return flight to Heathrow.

Itinerary subject to change

#### Tour price- £2595 per person

Optional 4 night extension - £495 per person

#### What the price includes

- Return flights from London Heathrow to Tel Aviv (Details of flight numbers and times have not yet been finalised)
- Accommodation in good quality 4\* 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 porterage
- Airport taxes
- ATOL Protection Contribution

#### Not included in the price

- Single supplements: £740 per person for the main tour and £188 per person for the extension
- Travel insurance (see back page)
- Lunches en-route

#### How to Book

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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. Checkin times are usually between 2pm and 3pm, checkout 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 you 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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