

# HOLY LAND

The Beginning Meets The End

Led by Rev. Mark Pugh and Rev. Roger Rowland

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Mark & Nita Pugh have been in Christian ministry for 25+ years and now lead Rediscover Church in Exeter – a contemporary city church with a region wide gospel vision. They love helping people encounter the presence of God and are excited to co-lead this experience of the Holy Land.

Having previously visited Israel and been deeply impacted to walk through many of the bible accounts, they look forward to helping fellow pilgrims encounter God afresh in Jesus' homeland.

Mark & Nita have been married over 30 years and have three adult children.

# Rev. Roger & Janice Rowland

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To be able to visit the place where the stories of the Old Testament will come to life and where Jesus lived and taught His followers is a very special adventure and spiritual experience. Add to this the fantastic opportunity to make new friendships and enjoy learning about culture and history, together with a lot of fun, will make this a very special tour!

Roger and Janice have over 40 years experience as Church leaders and have had the privilege of leading and visiting the Holy Land on several occasions. They are skilled communicators and negotiators and have good experience of managing travel experiences.

Roger has travelled extensively throughout the UK and other countries of the World teaching, preaching and mentoring. Roger is a visionary and energetic leader who will bring the Word of God alive as you travel this land and together they have extensive pastoral experience.

## **Day One**

Flight from Luton Airport to Tel Aviv and onward to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight at the Dan Hotel.

**(Hotel Tel No. +972 2-533-1234)**

## **Day Two**

This morning we visit Shiloh then continue to the Valley of Elah. In the afternoon we drive to Bethlehem, Church of the Nativity, and Shepherd's Fields. End the day with a walk through Hezekiah's tunnel.

## **Day Three**

Today we visit Bethany before driving to the top of the Mount of Olives for a panoramic view of the city. Walk down the "Palm Sunday Road" we visit the beautiful little church, Dominus Flevit - "The Lord wept." It was here that Jesus wept over Jerusalem [Luke 19:41] as He foresaw the destruction of the Temple. At Gethsemane Jesus' spent his final night. The Garden contains trees, the roots of which go back 2000 years. Visit the private garden. Visit the Church of All Nations built over a section of bedrock identified as the place where Jesus prayed alone in the garden on the night of His arrest. From there He was taken up the Kidron valley to be interrogated and imprisoned at the house of the High Priest Caiaphas, now called the Church of Peter in Gallicantu. At the Antonia Fortress, Jesus was condemned to death by Pontius Pilate and taken through the city to be crucified.

## **Day Four**

We visit the Temple Mount, the Pool of Bethesda, and St Anne's Church. Continue along the Via Dolorosa which leads us to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre; here visit Calvary and the empty Tomb of Christ. Some free time to enjoy browsing the Old City and Souk. Visit the Western Wall (also known as the Wailing Wall) We finish the day at the Garden Tomb.

## **Day Five**

After breakfast drive down to the Jordan Valley to Phasaelis (Mount of Temptation) followed by a visit to Qumran, located on the Dead Sea's northern shore, and the place where the Dead Sea scrolls were found. Now a national park, the caves were used for storage purposes by the Essenes, the sect that produced the Dead Sea Scrolls. In 1947, a young Bedouin shepherd discovered manuscript fragments in the caves hidden for centuries in airtight jars. The fragments from the Books of Exodus, Isaiah and Psalms are now on exhibit in the Israel Museum in Jerusalem. Then to Masada, where you take the cable car up to the last stronghold of the Zealots who held out for three years against the invading Roman army before taking their own lives to avoid capture and enslavement. Many of their fortifications, originally built by King Herod, still stand. Visit the Oasis of Ein Gedi, where King David fled when pursued by King Saul. There will be an opportunity to swim in the Dead Sea and enjoy the mud.

## **Day Six**

Travel from Jerusalem to Galilee. Today we visit Jericho and then head north through Samaria, a land rich in Old Testament history. See the twin peaks of Mt Gerizim and Mt Ebal, known in the Old Testament as Mt. Blessing and Mt Cursing. Stop at Jacob's Well, hewn out of solid rock and over 100 feet deep, it is the place where Jesus met the Samaritan woman, and many visitors drink the water from this very well from which Jesus drank. Continue to Galilee with a visit to the Valley of the Doves and Magdala. Dinner and overnight at the Caesar Premier Hotel, Nazareth. **(Hotel Tel No. +972 4-672-7272)**

## **Day Seven**

Leave Tiberias and drive through the Jezreel Valley, referred to as Armageddon in the Bible. We visit Nazareth, the boyhood village of Jesus, now a bustling city and the Church of the Annunciation.

Continue to Nazareth Village depicting life as in the times of Jesus. Continue to Mount Carmel ridge where we see Muhraqa, site of the confrontation between Elijah and the prophets of Baal.

### **Day Eight**

Begin the morning enjoying a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, where you can recall Jesus calming the waters. The day continues at the Mount of Beatitudes to mark the Sermon on the Mount. A short distance away is the site known as “Peter’s Primacy,” the site where, after His resurrection, Jesus met with His disciples and told Peter to “feed my lambs; feed my sheep.” [John 21:9] From here visit Capernaum where Jesus began His Galilean ministry, to see the synagogue where He taught, and the church built over the site of Peter’s home. Visit to Chorazim.

### **Day Nine**

We visit Tabgha where Jesus fed the crowd of 5,000 before travelling north to Caesarea Philippi, also known as Baniyas, which was a major town and sacred place during the Hellenistic, Roman, Byzantine and early Moslem eras. It was here that Peter recognised Jesus as the Messiah. Baniyas is also the source of the River Jordan. Biblical Dan, Israel’s Northern Capital through which the Jordan River flows. Visited by Abraham to rescue Lot and where Jeroboam erected the “golden calf”. Visit to Cana followed by a Visit Geresá (Gaderene demoniac) site.

### **Day Ten**

Visiting Caesarea Maritima where we stop to see Herod’s major seaport and capital where Peter preached, Paul was imprisoned, and Cornelius became the first Gentile convert. Visit the impressive Roman Amphitheatre, walk by the seashore excavations, and stop by the Aqueduct. Continue to Tel Aviv for our return flight to London Luton.

*Itinerary subject to change*

# **Price £2395 per person**

## **What the Price Includes**

- Return flights from London Luton airport to Tel Aviv using ELAL (subject to availability)
- Accommodation in hotels listed in itinerary (or similar) in twin bedded rooms with private facilities on half board basis
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## **Not Included in the Price**

- Items of a personal nature
- Lunches and drinks
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