

# God's Faithfulness



February 13 – February 24, 2022  
Led by The Rev. Peter Frank

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*We will travel through the land, from coast to desert to mountains, to visit the places where important Biblical events took place and dig deep into the Scriptures in their original context to learn about God's faithfulness to His people, in the past, present, and future. Our tour includes sites from the Old and New Testaments as well as the history of modern Israel. In addition, we will learn about God's work amongst believers in the land today. Jesus will always be the center of our studies, as we seek a better understanding of His ministry, His place among the Jewish people, and the application of His teachings in our lives.*



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TRAVEL INC.



**\*IMPORTANT\***

**ALL DEPOSITS ARE DUE NOVEMBER 6, 2021**

**FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE DECEMBER 16, 2021**

**\$3,005** - Land Price

Website will be updated once airfare group block from IAD is confirmed.

For individual airfare email tours@mvti.us

**\$500** – Land Deposit (due at registration)

**\$750** – Land & Air Deposit  
(Direct Deposit or Check)

IF PAYING WITH CREDIT CARD (3.5% fee):

**\$517.50** – Land Deposit

**\$776.25** – Land & Air Deposit

Price is based on two persons sharing a double room.

***\*Land price is based on a group of 15 people or more\****

**Booking:** Prices are good for **three weeks from the date they are quoted**. If not confirmed by the tour leader within three weeks, prices may have to be updated. In general, hotel prices cannot be guaranteed more than 6 months in advance. Shoresh reserves the right to amend prices of tours without prior notice in case of devaluations of the dollar, or in case of receiving new updated contract rates from suppliers.

Detailed cancellation information is listed in Terms and Conditions Document but please keep in mind that a minimum cancellation fee of \$175 applies for cancellation due to ANY reason. Additional COVID19 screening will be required at travelers' expense, emails with additional detailed information will follow.

- Accommodation - Half-board (breakfast & dinner) in en-suite shared twin rooms, taxes & portage.
- Transportation - Bus and driver for touring and group transfers to and from airport.
- Guide - Licensed Christian/Messianic guide.
- Tips - Driver, Guide, Hotels.
- Guest speakers - (if specified).
- Entrance fees - Historical sites, museums, parks, etc.
- Study Materials.
- Services of US Travel Agent – Mission Valley Travel

**\*Not Included:** Airfare, visas, Travel Insurance (mandatory, rates listed below); lunches & snacks; individual activities on free days; individual transfers to/from the airport apart from the main group; wheelchairs; discretionary gift for guide and driver; personal discretionary spending.

Single Supplement: **\$819** (additional single room cost, limited availability)

### **Approximate Travel Insurance Pricing for US residents:**

Trip Cost (Covers Up To)	Age Up to 30	Age 31-59	Age 60-70	Age 71-75	Age 76-79	Age 80+
<b>\$3000</b>	<b>\$177</b>	<b>\$209</b>	<b>\$299</b>	<b>\$376</b>	<b>\$470</b>	<b>\$624</b>

***Travel Insurance Quote is APPROXIMATE.  
Individual pricing is available upon request.***

# ITINERARY

## Day 1 Sunday February 13, 2022

### DEPARTURE FROM USA

## Day 2 Monday February 14

### ARRIVAL IN THE LAND OF PROMISE

We arrive at Ben Gurion Airport near **Tel Aviv**, where we will be met by our guide and bus driver for the trip. After our arrival at Ben-Gurion airport we take a short drive to **Beit Immanuel** in **Jaffa**, where we will hear about CMJ's ministry to the Jewish people over the past 160 year in Israel. From here we will travel to our hotel on the **Mediterranean Coast** for dinner, followed by a brief meeting for introductions, some orientation, and prayer.

Overnight: Kfar Maccabiah, Ramot Gan



## Day 3 Tuesday February 15

### THE LIVES OF THE PATRIARCHS

We begin our journey by climbing up through the strategic lowlands into the **Mountains of Judea**, to the burial **Cave of the Patriarchs** in **Hebron** (conditions permitting), where we will look at God's covenants with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Next we shall continue in the steps of the Patriarchs to the southern desert region called the **Negev** in the Bible (a name it still carries today). Here we will visit a **Bedouin site** where we examine their lifestyle in order to shed light on the lives of Abraham and the Patriarchs. You will have the opportunity to try your



hand at riding camels. Time permitting, our last stop will be **Tel Arad**, a pre-Abrahamic major city and later an Israelite fortress. We conclude our day travelling through the **Judean Desert** to our spa hotel on the **Dead Sea**, where we can enjoy a float in the therapeutic mineral rich waters.

Overnight: David Hotel, Dead Sea

### Day 4 Wednesday February 16

#### THE JUDEAN DESERT - Seeking Refuge in the Wilderness

Our theme today is the wilderness and what it signified to the ancient Israelites. We begin our morning by driving to the beautiful subtropical oasis of **Ein Gedi**, where David hid from Saul. Depending on conditions, we can walk into the nature reserve and possibly to the waterfalls. We may see some wildlife, including the furry rock badger and the graceful ibex. We will also discuss the temptation of Jesus in the Wilderness. Our last site will be **Qumran**, likely the home of the Essenes, a First Century Jewish sect which may have influenced early Christianity, and the site of the most exciting archaeological discovery ever made in Israel – the Dead Sea Scrolls.



Our last stop as we drive up the Jordan Valley will be **Tel Jezreel**. Jezreel was the capital of the Northern Kingdom of Israel at the time of Ahab and Jezebel. After our visit we continue our drive to our hotel in the Galilee.

Overnight: Nof Ginosar Sea of Galilee

### Day 5 Thursday February 17

#### AROUND THE SEA OF GALILEE – Daily Life and Religion in the Time of Jesus

Our day will be spent visiting various sites around the Sea of Galilee as we try to picture daily life and religion in the First Century, and seek to better understand the miracles and teachings of Jesus in His original Jewish context. Today we will visit the **Mount of Beatitudes**, traditional site of the Sermon on the Mount, where we will consider the Kingdom of God in Jesus' teachings. After a short walk or drive down the hill we will arrive at **Capernaum**, the town where Jesus lived during the majority of His ministry. Other sites may include **Chorazin**, the well-preserved ruins of a typical Galilean village, where we study village life, Jewish religion, and the Pharisees. At the newly excavated **Magdala**, the home of Mary Magdala, we will visit the remains of an ancient synagogue from the time of Jesus or the lovely **Tabgha**, which commemorates the multiplication of loaves and fish, and where Jesus met the disciples after the resurrection. Later in the afternoon we will visit Kibbutz Ginosar to see the "**Jesus Boat**", a Galilean fishing boat from the First Century. From here we will set sail for a **boat ride on the Lake** to enjoy the views and some worship, prayer and reflective time. After dinner we will meet with a local believer.

Overnight: Nof Ginosar Sea of Galilee

### Day 6 Friday February 18

#### LIGHT TO THE NATIONS – Jews, Gentiles, and the Messiah

Today we travel west and then down the coast, visiting a number of Biblical sites that testify to God's faithfulness to His word, past, present, and future. Our first visit of the day will be ancient **Nazareth**, Jesus' boyhood home and place of His early ministry. From Nazareth we travel to **Sepphoris**, the possible birthplace of Mary and the home to ancient churches and synagogues. We complete our day at the fabulous ruins of the Herodian city of **Caesarea Maritima**, the site of the conversion of Cornelius and the location from which Paul left the shores of Israel and set sail on his journey to Rome.



Overnight: Seasons Netanya

### Day 7 Saturday February 19

#### SAMARIA: ANCIENT ISRAEL

Today we journey into the northern homeland of the Patriarchs, of the Israelites under Joshua, and later the breakaway Kingdom of Israel. Sites visited may include: **Mt. Gerazim** (the "Mount of Blessing" from Joshua's time and scenic overlook and one of Abraham's campsites), **Jacob's Well**, **Beit El** and **Shiloh** (long-time location of the Tabernacle and the ark of the covenant). We will focus on our roots in the Old Testament, which are vital to our understanding of the New Testament. In the late afternoon we will enter Jerusalem, the City of the Great King. After dinner we will be treated to a short stroll for a **rooftop panorama of the Old City** and talk with the Director of Shores Study Tours.

Overnight: Christ Church Guesthouse Jerusalem

### Day 8 Sunday February 20

#### FREE DAY IN JERUSALEM

This morning we will worship together with Christians from around the world at **Christ Church**, the oldest Protestant Church in the Middle East. Celebrate the Anglican liturgy and Eucharist while learning more about the Jewish roots of the faith. The afternoon is free for rest, reflection, shopping, or for the energetic, perhaps a walk on the walls of the Old City. You can visit the **Christ Church Heritage Centre** to learn about CMJ's 200-year history of ministry to the Jewish people. *Shoresh will provide a list of interesting options for those who want to explore on their own.*

Overnight: Christ Church Guesthouse Jerusalem

## Day 9 Monday February 21

### JERUSALEM IN THE TIME OF JESUS – The Temple at the Center

Today will be devoted to learning about Jerusalem in Jesus' day, when the Temple in Jerusalem was the center of Jewish life. We will study how worship was performed in the temple, the Sadducees and Jesus' attitude towards them, and generally enrich our insight into many important events in the gospels and book of Acts. An early start will take us up to the **Temple Mount** (conditions permitting), where we'll consider some of Jesus' activities there, as well as the claims of Islam. After a visit to the **Western Wall** place of prayer, Judaism's most holy site, we will take a trip to the subterranean **Western Wall Tunnels** to walk at what was street level in the time of Jesus. We then make our way through the **Jewish Quarter** of the Old City and time permitting will visit the **Herodian Villas**, the palatial mansions that were the home to the Sadducees, the ruling priesthood at the time of Jesus. We complete our day at the excavations near the base of the Temple Mount and discuss Pentecost on the **Southern Steps** where Jesus walked.



Overnight: Christ Church Guesthouse Jerusalem

## Day 10 Tuesday February 22

### THE RESTORATION OF HOPE – A Garland Instead of Ashes

Today we study both a great tragedy and the wonder of the Lord's redemptive power. We will examine the systematic annihilation of six million Jews in the Nazi genocide, God coming to earth in the form of a man to save His people from their sins, and the loving witness of Christians committed to the Biblically prophesied physical restoration and spiritual rebirth of the Jewish people. We travel to **Yad VaShem**, the Israel Memorial Museum to the Holocaust. Here we examine the spiritual and theological roots of the most notorious genocide in history and the connection between the Church, Jesus and the Jewish people. From here we take the short drive to **Bethlehem**, where we will visit the **Church of the Nativity**, which marks the probable site of the birth of Jesus, and the "**Shepherd's Fields**" where the angels heralded the advent of Messiah.

Overnight: Christ Church Guesthouse Jerusalem

## Day 11 Wednesday February 23

### IN THE STEPS OF JESUS – Crucifixion, Death, Burial and Resurrection

Today we focus on sites related to the Biblical passages concerning Jesus' last week in Jerusalem. Our goal is to understand why He was crucified, how He was buried, and what it meant to the Jewish people of the First Century that He was raised from the dead. We begin our day with a panoramic overlook of Jerusalem from the **Mount of Olives**, the site of Jesus' ascension to heaven and His future second coming. After viewing a **tomb from the time of Jesus**, we will walk down the Mount of Olives to **Gethsemane**. Next we cross the **Kidron Valley** and enter the Old City through **Stephen's Gate**, stopping to examine the remains of the **Pool of Bethesda**. From here we walk to the **Church of the Holy Sepulchre**, the most likely site of the burial and resurrection of Jesus for a time of reflection at the end of the tour.

Overnight: Christ Church Guesthouse Jerusalem

*(For those groups with a late-night flight, rooms will be held until departure for the airport.)*



## Day 12 Thursday February 24

### TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

Depending on flight departure time, there are several options for this day.

#### Early Morning Departure: Straight Home

We say farewell to Jerusalem and descend through the mountains of Judea to the airport on the coastal plain to catch the flight home.

#### Afternoon Departure – Option A: THE HOPE OF RESTORATION

This morning, we focus on the miraculous restoration of the Jewish people to the Land of Israel. We begin our day at **Beit Immanuel**, the CMJ ministry center in Jaffa. Here we will learn of CMJ's ministry to the Jewish people over the past 160 years. Time permitting, we may also visit the ancient port of **Jaffa**, the point from which Jonah tried to escape his calling to warn the people of Nineveh and the location of Simon the Tanner's house. From here we go the airport. *If your group has already done these sites as part of a morning arrival on Day 1, we can visit other interesting site(s) along the coast, Sharon Plain, or Judean Hills.*

### **Afternoon Departure – Option B: NATURE IMAGERY IN SCRIPTURE**

This morning we will visit the Biblical landscape reserve of **Neot Kedumim** in the Judean lowlands. Walking on the beautiful hillsides, we will discover some of the rich symbolism of the cedar, hyssop, olive and other trees and plants, as well as trying our hand at herding sheep and goats. We will drive across the Sharon Plain to the airport in plenty of time to catch the flight home. *If your group has already done these sites as part of a morning arrival on Day 1, we can visit other interesting site(s) along the coast, Sharon Plain, or Judean Hills.*

**Please register online via e-registration.**

[https://shoresh.mvti.net/Church\\_Epiphany-2022](https://shoresh.mvti.net/Church_Epiphany-2022)

#### **IMPORTANT - PLEASE NOTE:**

- *Most days on this itinerary involve a regular amount of walking and/or climbing. Therefore, this trip cannot generally accommodate those who have significant difficulty with climbing stairs or walking a half a mile at a time. Please be in contact with the trip leaders if you have any concerns about this.*
- *Itinerary and accommodation subject to change if conditions necessitate.*
- *It is **mandatory** for each participant to have travel insurance to cover medical costs or trip cancellations.*