

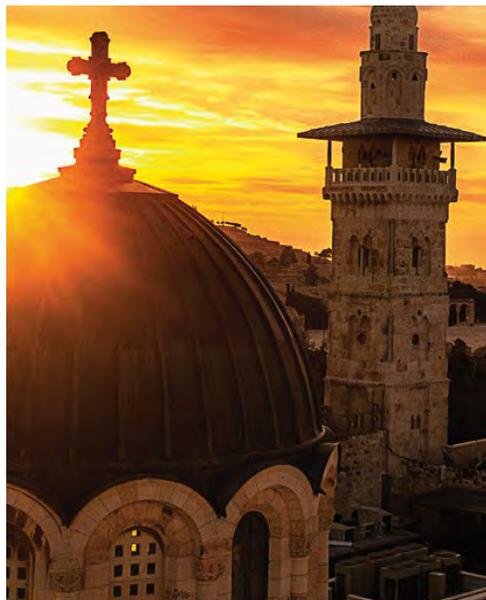
Israel Mission Trip

A Shoresh Study Tours Itinerary



May 23 – June 6, 2018
Led by Rich and Judy Hastings

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.



Wednesday, May 23

Depart Kansas City for the overnight flight to Israel.

Thursday, May 24

We arrive in the afternoon Israeli time and will be spending the night at **Gilgal Hotel** near the beach of **Tel Aviv**. You will have time to take a dip in the **Mediterranean** and watch your first Israeli sunset. Dinner at our hotel.

Friday, May 25

SUPPORTING MINISTRIES

After breakfast at our hotel, we will stop at the **Independence Hall** where the modern nation of Israel was born just 70 years ago. Before leaving Tel Aviv, you will have a unique opportunity to meet some individuals who head some of the most dynamic and effective ministries in Israel. The details on these visits will be announced as our planning progresses. We then head north to **Netanya** where we will meet yet another ministry; **Israel College of the Bible**. Their ministry is not only to provide advance degrees for both Jewish and Arab believers but also utilize social media and television in evangelism. If you want a sample of their production, check out "One for Israel" and "I Met the Messiah" on the web. After this busy day, we'll check into the Seasons Hotel, Netanya and you can swim or walk on the beach. Dinner at our hotel



Saturday, May 26

JOURNEY TO GALILEE

We will begin the day by traveling along the ancient coastal highway called the Via Maris and shortly arrive in **Caesarea**, visiting the extensive Roman ruins there. It is here that Cornelius was converted and the location from which Paul left the shores of Israel and set sail on his journey to Rome. After a brief stop at an ancient aqueduct, we will then travel to **Mt. Megiddo** where we will have lunch and then overlook the **Jezebel valley** as we study the significance of this sight in history and in prophecy. Our final stop will be **Nazareth Village** which is a representation of a 1st Century town. You will be able to imagine what life would have been like for Jesus as a child through the beginning of his ministry. We will get to also meet with Arab believers while in Nazareth. We'll then head to **Ma'agan Kibbutz Holiday Village** on the shore of the Galilee. Pool hours are 10:00-7:00 and dinner is served from 6:30-8:30



Sunday, May 27 WORSHIPING AROUND THE SEA

It is unusual that we are at the Sea of Galilee on a Sunday, so we will take advantage of this opportunity by worshipping together as we walk in the footsteps of Jesus, listening to His teachings and celebrating His ministry. Our first stop of the day will be overlooking the **Sea of Galilee** from the **Mount of Beatitudes**, where Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount. From there we will go down to the shore of the Sea. We will provide time for quiet reflection at the church of **Primacy of St. Peter** where Jesus appeared after the resurrection, cooking fish for the disciples. After a lunch of Saint Peter's fish, we will walk the streets of **Capernaum**, where the ministry of Jesus was based. We will take a **boat ride** on the Sea of Galilee and conclude the day by visiting the "**Jesus Boat**" exhibit containing a 2000 year old boat. On the way back to the hotel we will have baptisms in the Jordan for those who want. Overnight at Ma'agan.



Monday May 28

NORTHERN ISRAEL

Today we will travel to the north along the **Golan Heights**. We will visit a reconstructed Talmudic village at **Katzrin** where we will take a close look at life in New Testament times. If conditions allow, our next stop is the overlook at **Ben Tal** which is a lookout spot near the border with Syria and the area of the road to Damascus where the Apostle Paul met the Lord. We'll stop at a Druze restaurant for the best falafels in Israel (cost approximately \$15) and then journey on to **Tel Dan**, important in biblical times and today a modern nature reserve. Here we enjoy not only the flora and fauna along this source of the Jordan River, but we visit the site of the ancient **Israelite city of Dan**, including the city gate from the time of Abraham. If time allows, we will finish our day with a visit to **Gamla**, a scenic nature reserve and site of battle in the Jewish Revolt against the Roman Empire. Overnight at Ma'agan.



Tuesday, May 29

THROUGH THE WILDERNESS

Saying goodbye to the Sea of Galilee, we begin the journey south through the wilderness. We will stop at the ruins of **Shiloh** which was where the Tent of Meetings and the Ark of the Covenant sat for over 300 years. We will continue our way south through the arid Judean Wilderness and finish our day by enjoying a float in the therapeutic mineral rich waters of the Dead Sea in our new spa hotel. After dinner we hope to have a special guest speaker. Overnight at Leonardo Plaza Hotel.



Wednesday, May 29

DEAD SEA

We will start early because of the heat at **Masada**, one of Herod the Great's magnificent fortresses and the last Jewish stronghold to fall captive to the Romans.



Here we will discuss the nature of the Herodian dynasty and Zealot ideology. From there we make our way to the beautiful subtropical oasis of **En Gedi** where David hid from Saul and wrote many of the Psalms. We have a short trip to the site of **Qumran** where we will lunch and also view the caves where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered. From there we make the exciting journey up to **Jerusalem**. Walking through the Jaffa Gate of the Old City you will find your home for the next 7 days, Christ Church Guest House.

Thursday, May 31

CITY OF DAVID

Today we will have an early start as we learn about Jerusalem. If the situation allows, we will take those who want up on the **Temple Mount** very early in the morning. Then we will visit the **Southern steps** of the Temple Mount. While sitting on the ancient steps to the temple, we will read the words spoken by Peter on the day of Pentecost. We'll visit the **City of David** which has exciting recent discoveries including the **pool of Saloam**. Those who desire can walk through **Hezekiah's tunnel** while the bus will take the rest back to the Guest House or you will be free to spend time in the Old City. After dinner we will tour the **Heritage Center** at Christ Church and learn of the amazing history of this unique church. Overnight at Christ Church Guest House, Jerusalem



Friday, June 1

YAD VASHEM

We will begin the day with a visit 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 prior to and during this period of time. After the museum, the bus will drop us off at **Ben Yehuda Street** for lunch. During your free afternoon, you can see the excitement in Jerusalem as the Jews prepare for Shabbat. Those who wish may walk through the **Jewish Shuk** (market). After dinner we will walk to the **Western Wall** to watch the orthodox Jews welcome in **Shabbat** with singing and dancing. Overnight at Christ Church Guest House, Jerusalem



Saturday, June 2

FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS

Our attention today is directed to the last days of the life of Jesus. On the **Mount of Olives**, we recall Jesus' triumphal entry into the city. We will walk down the Mount of Olives ending up at the **Garden of Gethsemane**. We will then reboard the bus which brings us to Jaffa gate for lunch. Meeting after lunch, we will take a short walk to **Mount Zion** where we will visit **David's tomb** and the **Upper Room**. The bus will then take us to the **house of Caiaphas** where Jesus was tried by the Sanhedrin. The day ends with the Lord's Supper at the empty tomb of Jesus at **Garden's Tomb**. If time allows, we will stop at the Jerusalem Prayer Centre which has a unique history of Baptist prayer support of Israel. Overnight at Christ Church Guest House, Jerusalem



Sunday, June 3

WORSHIP AND THE DIG

This will be a special day of worship at historic **Christ Church** which is the oldest Protestant church in the Middle East. After lunch in the Jewish Quarter, we'll be taken to the **Emek Tzurim Dig**, where from



1-3 you can help the archeologists sift through the soil recently taken from the temple mount. On past trips we have discovered 2,000 year old coins, Roman glass, and mosaics. After dinner we will take a night walk (8:00) through the tunnels under the Western Wall plaza, affording us an exciting opportunity to walk in Jerusalem at what was street level in the time of Jesus. Overnight at Christ Church Guest House, Jerusalem.



Monday, June 4

Burial of the Patriarchs and Birthplace of Jesus

In the morning we begin our journey by traveling south into the mountains of Judea to the **burial Cave of the Patriarchs in Hebron** (tombs of Abraham,



Isaac, and Sarah), where we will look at God's covenants with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. After lunch we will 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 birth of the Messiah. Our final stop will be at the Olive wood shop to discover the unique Bethlehem carved wood. After dinner we will have a speaker from Honest Reporting who will help explain the complicated nature of life in Israel. Overnight at Christ Church Guesthouse.

Tuesday, June 5

FREE DAY

Today is free for you to take care of last minute sightseeing or shopping and packing. We will have a number of options that you might want to visit, depending upon your interests. You will keep your rooms at Christ Church Guest House so that you may freshen up before our departure for the airport. Departure will be late evening or in the middle of the night.

Wednesday, June 6

ARRIVAL IN KC

PLEASE NOTE:

- Itinerary and accommodation subject to change if conditions necessitate.
- Some days involve a **significant amount of walking and/or steep climbing**. Every effort will be made to enable all tour members to participate at their own level but that might not be possible at all locations.
- Travel Health Insurance is required by every tour participant. You will receive Travel Insurance information upon receipt of registration form and deposit.

Family members, friends and everyone interested are welcome to join us!

Are you interested in holding space on the **ISRAEL MISSION TRIP** with Rich and Judy Hastings May 23 - June 6, 2018?

Please email directly to Judy and Rich Hastings: jhast10248@aol.com for further information or please send the attached registration form along with your deposit to: First Baptist Church Raytown, 10500 E. 350 Hwy. Raytown, MO 64138 Attn. Israel Mission Trip

Price: approximately \$5000

A \$500 deposit per person is required at time of registration (deposit due Dec 15). Price is based on two persons sharing a double room.

The Price of Your Tour Includes:

- 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.

Not Included: travel insurance (mandatory); 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: \$719 This is the additional cost for a single room.

“ SHORESH HOLY LAND STUDY TOUR AND MISSION”
Wednesday, May 23, 2018-Wednesday, June 6, 2018

Full Name: _____
(as appears on passport)

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Home Phone:(____) _____

Business or cell Phone:(____) _____

E-Mail: _____

Passport Number: _____
(If unknown, can be supplied later)

Name of roommate: _____ **Request single** _____
(Single supplements is approx. \$719)

Frequent Flyer Number _____

Airline seating preferred: _____ (actual seat assignments will not be confirmed until arrival at the airport)

Payment Schedule:

\$500 Deposit.

Check payable to First Baptist Raytown and registration form can be mailed or turned in at the church receptionist. Envelope should say “ISRAEL MISSION TRIP”. Deposit refundable up until Feb, 23, 2018.

\$1500 due Jan 17, 2018

\$1500 due March 7, 2018

\$1500 due April 11, 2018 (This price may be reduced when adjusted to cost of airfare.)

***The Estimated Departure taxes and Fuel Surcharge is included in this price but it is subject to increase by the airline without notice until final invoicing which is 30 days prior to departure. Travel Insurance of approximately \$300 is mandatory Checks payable to: First Baptist Church Raytown ,10500 E. 350 Hwy.**

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