

**Holy Land Pilgrimage – Led by Pastor Jerome L. Warfield,
Sr.
Feb. 27 – March 9, 2023**



Two Options - 11days/9 nights

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- ▶ Round trip airfare, JFK/TLV/JFK on EL AL non-stop flights
- ▶ Nine-night hotel accommodations in first class (four star) hotels, 1-night in Tel-Aviv 3 nights in Tiberias, 5 nights Jerusalem
- ▶ Israeli buffet breakfast and dinner daily
- ▶ Seven days of sightseeing
- ▶ One free day for shopping
- ▶ Headsets throughout the stay in Israel
- ▶ Services of an English speaking guide throughout
- ▶ All entrance fees to places visited
- ▶ Porterage of one suitcase per person throughout
- ▶ All transfers

ISRAEL & JORDAN

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- ▶ Nine- night hotel accommodations in first class (four star) hotels, 1-night in Tel-Aviv, 1 night in Amman, 1 Night in Jordan, 2 nights in Tiberias, 4 nights Jerusalem
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- ▶ Eight days of sightseeing
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- ▶ Services of an English speaking guide throughout
- ▶ All entrance fees to places visited
- ▶ Porterage of one suitcase per person throughout
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Cost of the Pilgrimage

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- ▶ Cost of the pilgrimage is \$3,698 (double occupancy)
- ▶ Single Supplement \$1,048
- ▶ \$100 discount if \$500 deposit is received by May 27, 2023
- ▶ Our travel agents are Tony Tannousis of Tri Star Tours (in the States) and Sammy & Dafna of Legends Tours of Israel (in Israel)
- ▶ May pay in installments monthly, quarterly, or in full
- ▶ Balance is due on or before January 10, 2023

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Not Included

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- ▶ Airport/security taxes of **\$102** per person (subject to change)
- ▶ Tips to the guides, drivers and hotel personnel of **\$110**, payable to Unity Baptist Church
- ▶ All lunches
 - ▶ Average cost for lunch is \$20 US dollars or about \$72 in Israeli Shekel
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Deposit and Payment Plans

- ▶ \$500.00 deposit secures your seat. Seat is not secured until the full deposit is received. Those who pay their deposit before May 27 will receive \$100.00 discount. Deposits will be accepted until December 27, 2022 (If there is an available seat)
- ▶ Payment Plan:
 - ▶ Monthly installment of 359.80 (April – January – AL1 Israel) \$379.80 (April – January Israel & Jordan) if deposit is paid in May.
- ▶ Final payment is due on or before January 10, 2023
- ▶ May pay any amount toward the cost of the trip at anytime.
- ▶ Airport Tax is due on January 10, 2023, as well, please include this amount with your final payment.



Detroit to New York

- ▶ The flight to Israel departs from **JFK International Airport on Monday, February 27, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Return to New York on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 5:45 a.m.**
- ▶ Must be at the airport 3 hours before departure – 2:00 p.m.
- ▶ You may secure a flight to New York the same day, but must arrive by 12:30 p.m. to allow time to retrieve your luggage and to return to the El Al ticket counter by 2:00 p.m.
- ▶ You may also travel to New York the night before and stay in a hotel, you will need to arrive at the El Al ticket counter by 2:00 p.m.
- ▶ I will check multiple airlines and share the costs with the group
- ▶ If we have enough interest in an overnight stay, I will work to secure a group rate at a hotel near the airport

Flight to Tel Aviv

- ▶ I will arrive at JFK by 1:30 p.m. and I will mark you present and line you up for check-in
- ▶ You must arrive three hours before the flight – no later than 2:00 p.m. (This is non-negotiable)
- ▶ The flight is a direct flight from New York to Tel Aviv (approximately 10 hours.) State of the art plane (Dreamliner) . We arrive in Tel Aviv at 10:00 a.m. on February 28.
- ▶ El Al will ask very specific questions related to our travel. We will prepare a sheet of standard answers for each person.
- ▶ You may walk the aisle as needed – there is no limitation on movement (You should be aware that on occasion Jewish people will pray together on the flight as they are embarking on a spiritual journey)
- ▶ Seat selection will be handled by El Al, although I will send Tony a list and request that individuals be allowed to seat with/near each other.
- ▶ Tickets – El Al will not issue individual tickets. There will be one group ticket that will contain all ticket numbers and seat assignments. Upon receipt of the group ticket, I will email your ticket number and seat assignment.

Flight to Tel Aviv Continued



In flight entertainment and USB ports are available

There will be two meals provided – dinner and breakfast

Please let me know of any dietary restrictions by **August 23, 2019**

Feel free to bring snacks

Passports

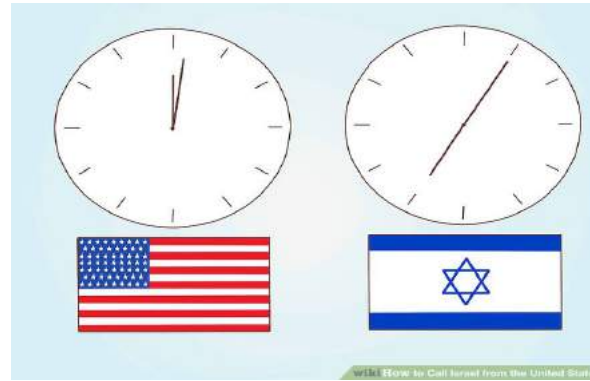
- ▶ Each individual is required to have a valid passport
- ▶ I will need a copy of your passport by July 27, 2022. I will provide one copy to Tony of Tri Star Tours and I will keep one in a binder with me.
- ▶ You should have at least two copies of your passport. The original should be locked in the safe at the hotel and you should keep at least one copy on your person at all times.
- ▶ I have the forms to obtain a passport should you need to do so.

Currency



- ▶ The official currency is the shekel. At this time \$350 is worth approximately \$1,123 shekels.
- ▶ This is the amount we suggest you bring to cover your lunches and small purchases (soda, candy bar, water, etc.)
- ▶ The shekels can be ordered from your bank and should be ordered at least two weeks prior to departure
- ▶ You may also purchase shekels from the foreign currency exchange at the airport
- ▶ If you intend to shop, I would suggest you bring US currency as the shop owners prefer us currency and are more willing to negotiate if you have us dollars
- ▶ How much should you bring?
 - ▶ Depends on how much shopping you intend to do

Time Difference



- ▶ Israel is seven hours ahead. I have several handouts on the best way to prepare for the time zone change.
- ▶ Hydrate – water is your friend. I suggest you bring a water bottle to Israel. You can fill it up at breakfast. In addition, there is water that can be purchased on the bus for \$1 a bottle.
- ▶ Eat pasta before you fly
- ▶ Set your clock to Israel's time zone when you get on the plane
- ▶ Avoid coffee

Travel Insurance

- ▶ Tri-Star Tours

- (1) Covers preexisting conditions (should be purchased within 14 days of the deposit)

- (2) Coverage for a specific listed reason – covers cancellation for a reason listed in the policy

- (3) Covers cancellation for any COVID related reason

- Tony will provide the cost for these policies (less expensive than cancel for any reason coverage)

- ▶ You may secure your own travel insurance with a company you select

Travel Tips

- ▶ Weather – In February the average temperature is:
 - ▶ Tel Aviv - 65/50
 - ▶ Tiberias - 68/56
 - ▶ Jerusalem - 61/48
- ▶ Pack an umbrella, hat, gloves, and a winter/spring jacket.
- ▶ Attire:
 - ▶ Comfortable and casual. Jeans, khakis, capris, t-shirts, sweater, sweatshirts, and excellent walking shoes. (do not over pack – laundry service is available)
 - ▶ Ladies are not required to wear special garments or head coverings at the holy sites. Only requirement is that the ladies cover their shoulders and knees, which will be covered with your pants and t-shirts.



Travel tips Continued

- ▶ Allowed one bag and one carry-on item (backpack) and the ladies may have a purse as well.
- ▶ Electricity – Will need a converter to charge phones, iPad, curling irons, etc. (may want to bring an electrical strip)
- ▶ Compression socks – utilize these to prevent swelling while flying

Meals in Israel - Keeping Kosher

- ▶ Israeli individuals adhere to a kosher diet based upon the Torah.
- ▶ **Animal Products**
- ▶ Certain animals may not be eaten at all, including pigs, [shellfish](#), rabbits, and reptiles
- ▶ **Meat and Dairy**
- ▶ Any meat (the flesh of birds and mammals) cannot be eaten with dairy. (no cream, or butter will be served during dinner)
- ▶ **Pareve Foods**
- ▶ The pareve foods are considered neutral and can be eaten with either milk or meat.
- ▶ All fruits, vegetables, grains, pasta, nuts, beans, and legumes are kosher.
- ▶ Eggs, fruits, vegetables, and grains are considered *pareve*, or neutral, and can be eaten with either meat or dairy. Fish is also considered *pareve*.
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Itinerary

- ▶ As the date draws closer, I will provide a draft itinerary. Please be advised it is subject to change.
- ▶ **Feb. 28** – Arrive in Tel Aviv at 10:00 a.m.– it is not the height of tourist season so hopefully the airport won't be crowded. After we clear customs we will be greeted by Sammie and our tour guide
- ▶ Some of the sites we will visit - Mt Beatitudes-Tabgha – Capernaum – Jesus Boat Ride and Museum on the Sea of Galilee, Baptism in the Jordan River, Swimming in the Dead Sea (where you will float due to the salt content) , Ein Gedi (natural preservation).
- ▶ If we opt to go to Jordan as well, we will visit Madaba – Mt Nebo and Drive to Petra for a Full day tour of Petra

Photos from prior pilgrimages







Petra



Walking

- ▶ There is a fair amount of walking, especially in Jerusalem. I suggest you start walking now – at the park or in the mall to get used to the rigors of walking.

Covid Protocol

- ▶ The protocols are constantly changing. I can only inform you of the protocols that are in place right now. They may change or be lifted all together before we leave.
- All tourists flying to Israel must take a PCR test 72 before flying to Israel and a rapid test again on landing at the airport. The results of the rapid test usually arrives in one hour.
- ▶ Must have a negative COVID test within 24 hours to return to the United States. The hotel will administer the test prior to our departure.

Flight from Tel Aviv to New York

- ▶ On March 8, 2023, we will eat dinner at the hotel in Jerusalem, check out of the hotel at 7:30 p.m. and depart for the Tel Aviv airport at 8:00 p.m.
- ▶ The flight departs Tel Aviv at 12:45 a.m. on March 9, 2023, and arrives in New York on March 9, 2023, at 5:45 a.m.