

Join us on this trip of a lifetime to



ISRAEL and JORDAN

with

*Rev Donald N Martin
(Gardenstown)*

16 - 26 October 2012

11 day / 10 night Tour

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Pray for the peace of Jerusalem. Say, "May those who love you be secure.
May there be peace inside your walls. May your people be kept safe." Psalm 122:6,7



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DAY 1 - Tuesday 16 October

Israel and Jordan - Here we come!

Depart from Aberdeen to Amman in Jordan via London Heathrow... Transfer to the **Geneva Hotel** situated in West Amman. This hotel is modern, contemporary and very comfortable - we stay for two nights.



DAY 2 - Wednesday 17 October



After breakfast we leave our hotel for **Madaba** with its ancient map of the bible lands. Afterwards we ascend **Mt Nebo** to see the spectacular view into the Promised Land as Moses saw it. Visit the genuine **baptismal site of Jesus at Bethany** (Beyond the Jordan). Our next visit is to the **Brook Kerith**, where Elijah was fed by the ravens 1 Kings 17). This is the area across the Jordan from which Elijah ascended to heaven. To round off our day we visit the **Dead Sea** for a time of relaxation and a swim (float), before returning to our hotel.

DAY 3 - Thursday 18 October

After an early breakfast, we transfer to the **Allanby Crossing** to visit nearby **Jericho, the city of palms**, and said to be the oldest inhabited city in the world. It lies 850 ft below sea level. Outside the city we will see some of the oldest walls in the world, which are believed to be the **Walls of Jericho** (Joshua 6). From there we shall view the **Mt of Temptation**. Next we drive north to **Beit She'an**, where King Saul's body was displayed on the walls after his defeat by the Philistines. (1 Samuel 31:10) The city was destroyed by an earthquake in 749 AD. From there we drive through the **Jezreel Valley** past **Meggido (Armageddon)**,



and onto **Mt Carmel** where we have a stunning view of the spot where Elijah contested with the prophets of Ba'al. Time permitting we visit **Safed**, before heading for the HaGoshrim Kibbutz Hotel, in the heart of the Hula Valley, and from which we see the snows of **Mount Hermon**.



DAY 4 - Friday 19 October

The day starts at **Caesarea Phillipi**, where Jesus asked, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" Then to the **Banias Falls**. Afterwards we visit the main sites around the Sea of Galilee, **Mount of Beatitudes**, **Tabgha (feeding of the 5000)**, **Mensa Christi ("Feed my sheep")** and **Capernaum**. The tour of the lake is completed with a **boat trip on the Sea of Galilee**. Overnight we stay at Ma'agan on the southern edge of the Sea of Galilee.



DAY 5 - Saturday 20 October



Today we visit **Nazareth Village**, a working reconstruction of the village in Jesus' time. At **Mt Precipice**, (Luke 4) we see where the people of the city wanted to throw Jesus. If time permits we will visit the **synagogue church** where Jesus read from Isaiah 61 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me..." Then we drive to **Caesarea** where we shall see some of Herod the Great's constructions, before going on to **Jaffa (Joppa)**, **Abu Ghosh (Emmaus Road)**, and to **Mt Scopus** for our first view over **Jerusalem**, before arriving the Grand Court Hotel, only a few minutes walk from the Damascus Gate. This shall be our base for the next four nights.



Day 6 - Sunday 21 October

Start the day with a visit to **Bethlehem** and worship at the **Baptist Church** where Naim Khoury is Pastor. While in Bethlehem we shall pass by the **Field of Boaz**, on our way to the **Shepherds Fields**. After lunch we walk the **Via Dolorosa** (*The Way of Sorrows*) with a stop at **St Anne's**, a church with amazing acoustics. There we see the **Pool of Bethesda**, then onto the **Austrian Hospice** for a break and roof-top views. We continue to **St Marks** (thought to have been built over the first meeting place for Christians ... the real **Upper Room?**). Beginning at 5.00 p.m. we have an opportunity to join the **King of Kings Messianic Fellowship** for worship. We return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.



Day 7 - Monday 22 October



We have walking tour of the Old City, starting at the **Mount of Olives**, walk down the old road to the **Tear Drop Church** (*Dominus Flavit*). Continue down the hill into the **Kidron Valley** and **The Garden of Gethsemane**. We shall also visit the **Western Wall**, the **Garden Tomb**, from which we shall view **Golgotha**. While in the Garden we shall have a communion service. Afterwards we visit **St Peter in Gallicantu** (House of Caiaphas) where we can visit the dungeons thought to be where Jesus was held prior to his crucifixion. Return to the hotel for our dinner and overnight.

Day 8 - Tuesday 23 October

This morning we visit the **Israel Museum** (**Shrine of the Book** and **Model of the City**) Mary travelled from Nazareth to **Ein Karem**, which is our next site, and where John the Baptist was born. A visit to Jerusalem would not be complete without a visit to **Yad Vashem** (The Holocaust Memorial) Time permitting we visit **Bethany** where Lazarus was raised from the dead. The day ends at the Tower of David Museum of the History of Jerusalem Night Spectacular Sound & Light Show.



DAY 9 - Wednesday 24 October



Today we leave Jerusalem, drive south before visiting **Qumran** where the **Dead Sea Scrolls** were found and also **Masada**. Continuing south we visit **Timna Park** in the Negev containing a reconstruction of the **Tabernacle in the Wilderness**. This is near one of the few sites of the wandering tribes that we can identify for sure - Jotbathah, 'a land with streams of water' (Deut. 10:7).

We enter Jordan again, using the Arava border crossing for a late afternoon Jeep Safari in Magnificent **Wadi Rum**... a real Genesis Chapter 1 experience. Overnight at Beit Zaman, Wadi Mousa.

Day 10 - Thursday 25 October

Today we embark on a **full day tour of Petra**, surely one of the world's greatest sites and officially one of the 7 wonders of the modern world. The spectacular **RED ROSE CITY** includes the world famous **Al Khazneh** and the equally wonderful **El Deir**... the entrance walk and **exit through the Suq** is truly memorable. Overnight at Geneva Hotel, Amman.



Day 11 - Friday 26 October

Early drive to the airport for our return flight.

- There will be opportunities to meet with local believers during our visit.
- We will also have time to purchase gifts for families back home including Dead Sea skin products.

What is included in the price:

£1695 per person (for Single room supplement see below)

- Flights as follows: Aberdeen – Heathrow – Amman Return
- Meeting and assistance on arrival and departure at Amman Airport.
- 4* Half board hotel accommodation with private facilities in Israel and Jordan
- Private air-conditioned coach for all transfer.
- Touring and sightseeing as per your itinerary.
- All entrance fees including the Masada Cable Car, Nazareth Village, Boat Trip on the Sea of Galilee, and the Tower of David Museum of the History of Jerusalem Night Spectacular Sound & Light Show
- Israeli licensed guide throughout the tour in Israel and licensed Jordanian guide in Jordan.
- Border/Exit taxes (approximately £25)
- All hotel portorage in Israel and Jordan.

What is not included in the price:

- Fully comprehensive travel insurance premium
- Gratuities. We suggest an allowance of \$10 per day (normally collected by the group leader at the start of the tour))
- Single room supplements £395
- Visa charges (Free for EEC Citizens)
- Lunches

Visas and Passports

- British passports must be the full 5 or 10 year type and valid for at least 6 months after the date of LEAVING Israel. No visa is required.
- Non-British passport holders may require a visa and are advised to check with the Embassy. Jordanian Embassy (Tel: 020 7937 3685) Israeli Embassy, Consulate Section, (Tel: 020 79579574)

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*Flight prices

Please note: the group flight prices used in this quotation is correct at that time of the preparation of this quotation.

Actual prices at the time of booking are subject to confirmation by the airline at the time of booking.

*Prices based on an exchange rate of £1=\$1.59

Please note:

Every effort will be made to follow the itinerary as shown in this brochure. However, itineraries may be subject to change due to local prevailing conditions, such as weather, religious festivals or other unforeseen issues.

