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## **Christian Group Tours in Israel, 2023**

7 DAYS, 6 NIGHTS | 4 STAR HOTELS | Cost: \$1,700.00 USD

### **Day 1 - Arrival in Israel and travel to Jezreel Valley**

Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv in the morning. Our representative will meet you after luggage collection. They will direct you to your guide and bus. See the highlights of Tel Aviv before departing north to Tiberius, capital of the Galilee. Drive to Megiddo, where excavations have unearthed 20 layers of civilization, most likely the site of Armageddon as described in the book of Revelations, where the final battle between the forces of good and evil will take place. Drive along the Jezreel Valley and arrive in Nazareth, home of Joseph and Mary. Enter the Church of the Annunciation built over the traditional site of Joseph and Mary's home. Nearby is Mary's well. Continue to the Village of Cana, where Jesus performed his first miracle of converting water into wine at a wedding. Check into the hotel.

***Dinner and overnight:*** 4 Star Hotel in the Galilee

### **Day 2 - Galilee and Golan Heights**

Visit the Baptismal site on the Jordan River. Drive to Capernaum, hometown of St. Peter. Stop in Tabgha at the Church of the Multiplication and visit the Church of the Primacy of Peter, where Jesus prepared bread and fish for his disciples. Continue to the Church of the Beatitudes. Drive North to the Golan Heights, where Israel shares a border with Lebanon. Enter the Banias Springs' crystal-clear water, one of the three sources of the Jordan River. Enjoy a boat-ride on the Sea of Galilee.

***Breakfast, Dinner and overnight:*** 4 star hotel in the Galilee

### **Day 3 - Jordan Valley**

Check out of the hotel. Stop at Beit She'an, newly excavated and one of the largest archaeological sites in Israel. Continue to the Jordan Valley for a magnificent view. Stop for a panoramic perspective of the holy city of Jerusalem from The Mount of Olives. Check into the hotel.

***Breakfast, Dinner and overnight:*** 4 star hotel in Jerusalem

#### **Day 4 - Old City of Jerusalem**

Enter the Old City through the Dung Gate. View the Dome of the Rock, where King Solomon's Temple was located and the rock where Abraham stood to sacrifice Isaac. Stop at the Western Wall. Visit the Ecce Homo Arch and walk along Via Dolorosa to the Pool of Bethesda, house of Pontius Pilate. Visit the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Walk through the Jewish Quarter. Walk through the Garden of Gethsemane and enter the Church of All Nations, also called the Church of Agony. Visit the Chapel of the Ascension and the Pater Noster Church, where Jesus taught his disciples the "Our Father". Cross the Kidron Valley, pass the Tombs of Absalom and Zechariah. Arrive at Mount Zion to visit the Room of the Last Supper. Time will be available for a prayer service.

***Breakfast, Dinner and overnight:*** 4 star hotel in Jerusalem

#### **Day 5 - Bethlehem and Yad Vashem**

Drive to Bethlehem, viewing Rachel's Tomb. Enter the Basilica of the Nativity, built on the site of Jesus' birth. Visit the Model of the City of Jerusalem as it appeared at the time of the Second Temple. Depart to Mt. Herzl to visit the Holocaust Museum "Yad Vashem", a museum in memory of the six million Jews that suffered and died during the Second World War. End the day with communion service in the Garden Tomb.

***Breakfast, Dinner and overnight:*** 4 star hotel in Jerusalem

#### **Day 6 - Masada, Dead Sea, Jericho**

Drive South to the Arava Valley to reach Masada. Ascend by cable car and see the impressive historical site, the last stronghold of the Zealots in their struggle against the Romans. Travel along the water's edge below sea level to reach the shores of the Dead Sea. Enjoy the treasures of the Dead Sea in natural thermal springs, sculpture pools, mud baths and a "swim" in the Dead Sea. Drive via the Jordan Valley to Jericho, the oldest known city in the Western world. Observe the Monastery of Saint George in Wadi Qelt. See the Mount of Temptation from a distance.

***Breakfast, Dinner and overnight:*** 4 star hotel in Jerusalem

#### **Day 7 - Tel Aviv and Old Jaffa**

Check out of the hotel. Drive to Tel Aviv and walk through Jaffa, which is the biblical town of Joppa. In the late afternoon, enjoy a farewell dinner at a Tel Aviv restaurant.

***Depart for the airport.***