

Journey to Jordan & Israel

16 Days

Fully Escorted

28th August – 12th September 2020

ATTEND AN INFORMATION EVENING

WHEN: Thursday 7th November, 7:30pm

WHERE: Christ Church Gladesville, 4 Jordan St. Gladesville

* Enjoy a full briefing * Meet your fellow travellers

* Have all your questions answered

RSVP to Katrina at Olive Tree Travel by Monday, 28th October



Escorted by Rev David Mears Christ Church Gladesville

Come and join me in August/September 2020 to visit some of the key Biblical and historical sites of Israel and Jordan including some of the most significant historical places on the face of the earth. View the Promised Land from Mt Nebo as Moses did, visit the world's oldest inhabited city, Jericho, sail the Sea of Galilee, visit Nazareth and Bethlehem, enter Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives and explore the Garden of Gethsemane. We will also visit the spectacular UNESCO World Heritage sites of Petra & Masada.

Local expert guides and Sydney pastor and Bible teacher David Mears, will help bring the Bible alive for you as you deepen your understanding of the life and ministry of the Lord Jesus.

BASED ON FOLLOWING HOTELS (or similar):

Petra	Marriott Hotel	2 nights
Amman	Amman International	1 night
Tiberias	Kibbutz Nof Ginosar	4 nights
Jerusalem	Grand Court Hotel	6 nights

PRICE INCLUDES

- Return economy class airfares from Sydney - Dubai - Amman with Emirates
- 13 nights hotel accommodation in shared twin rooms
- Daily buffet breakfasts & dinners at hotels
- 1 lunch in Nazareth
- Whisperer headsets in Israel
- Comprehensive sightseeing tours as outlined in the itinerary with the services of local professional English speaking guides throughout the tour
- Airport meet and assistance and transfers and transportation throughout in a luxury air-conditioned coach
- Entrance fees to all sights and museums as mentioned in the itinerary
- Tips, portage & gratuities throughout

PRICE EXCLUDES

- Lunches (except Nazareth as noted)
- Beverages with meals
- Headsets in Jordan
- Entrance/sightseeing/meals other than those in the itinerary
- Single supplement
- Travel insurance
- Incidental expenses of a personal nature such as phone calls, laundry, room service etc.
- Any services not listed in 'Price Includes' above

WHAT TO DO NEXT

1. Register your interest and obtain a booking form from Rev David Mears or the team at Olive Tree Travel
2. To secure your place on the trip, a deposit of \$350 per person is required by 25th November 2019 (unless sold out prior)
3. Full payment will be required by 26th June 2020

DAY 1: FRIDAY 28 AUG Depart Sydney
Depart Sydney this evening on our Emirates flight to Dubai.

DAY 2: SATURDAY 29 AUG Arrive Amman, Petra
We arrive into Dubai this morning and transfer to our connecting flight for Amman. Upon arrival into Amman we proceed to Petra for hotel check in and a restful afternoon. (D)

DAY 3: SUNDAY 30 AUG Petra
Enjoy a full day to explore "the rose - red city" of Petra which, from 300 BC, was inhabited by Nabateans. Take a horse ride through the dramatic "ciq" or canyon and see the Treasury carved out of the pink stone. Continue past the Roman Theatre, the Corinthian Tomb and Palace Tomb to the Roman road. If time permits, climb up to the Monastery. Return to our nearby hotel for dinner and overnight. (BD)

DAY 4: MONDAY 31 AUG Mt Nebo, Madaba, Jerash, Amman
Drive up the desert highway to Mt Nebo from where Moses viewed the Promised Land and is buried. Visit Madaba to view the ancient mosaic of Jerusalem. This afternoon visit Jerash, another of the Decapolis cities with extensive archaeological excavations. Drive back to Amman for dinner and overnight. (BD)

DAY 5: TUESDAY 01 SEPT Allenby, Jericho, Qasr El Yahud, Beit Shean, Tiberias
Cross the Allenby Bridge into Israel. Visit Jericho to see the excavations of the oldest city in the world. View the Mt of Temptation and visit the Qasr El Yahud Baptismal site before we drive up the Jordan Valley to the Galilee region. Visit Beit Shean (in biblical times, Scythopolis) to view the Roman theatre, paved road and the excavations. Dinner and overnight is at our hotel on the Sea of Galilee near Tiberias. (BD)

DAY 6: WEDNESDAY 02 SEPT Sepphoris, Cana, Nazareth
We start with a visit to Sepphoris, home town of Anne, mother of Mary. Visit Cana, scene of the first miracle and visit the Church of the Wedding. Then to Nazareth and see the oldest Church of the Annunciation as well as the Synagogue Church. Proceed to Nazareth Village for a visit and lunch. This is an excavated village dating from around 1 AD. The excavations have carefully renovated the synagogue and houses to give a unique insight into village life and agriculture, as it would have been at the time of Jesus. Return to the Sea of Galilee for dinner and overnight. (BD)

DAY 7: THURSDAY 03 SEPT Magdala, Golan Heights, Banias, Tel Dan, Kursi, Korazim
This morning we visit the recently excavated first century synagogue at the Magdala Centre before we head up to the Golan Heights and to the Springs of Banias, also known as Caesarea Philippi where Peter said "Thou are Christ". Continue to Tel Dan before returning towards the Sea of Galilee to visit Kursi and Korazim. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at leisure. Meet back at the hotel for dinner and overnight at the Sea of Galilee. (BD)

DAY 8: FRIDAY 04 SEPT Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, Tabgha, Mt of Beatitudes, Jordan River
Visit the first century "Jesus Boat" found at Kibbutz Nof Ginosar and enjoy a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee from Tiberias to Capernaum, where we will see an ancient synagogue and St. Peter's house which was later converted into a church. We also visit Tabgha, site of the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes. Continue to the Mt of Beatitudes where the Sermon on the Mount is remembered. Return to our hotel on the Sea of Galilee for dinner and overnight. (BD)

DAY 9: SATURDAY 05 SEPT Megiddo, Muhraka, Haifa, Caesarea, Jerusalem
Drive to Megiddo overlooking the Jezreel Valley and considered the Armageddon of the New Testament. Proceed to Mukhraka, the site of Elijah's contest with the prophets of Baal. Continue to Haifa and also to Mt Carmel for a wonderful view of the area. Drive to Caesarea, once the capital of the Roman province, and see the aqueduct, theatre, Herod's Palace and the harbour from which St. Paul was taken to Rome. Drive to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight. (BD)

DAY 10: SUNDAY 06 SEPT City of David, Temple Mount, Jewish Quarter, Israel Museum
After breakfast we will spend the morning beside the Old City. Visit the City of David to enjoy an interesting walk to the Siloam Pools and Hezekiah's Tunnels. View the Temple Mount and have a close observation of the mosques. Walk through the Jewish Quarter and visit the palatial Herodian Mansion and Burnt House, which form part of the Wohl Museum. Then visit the Davidson Centre and the Western Wall. We finish the day with a visit at the Israel Museum to view the Model of Jerusalem as it was at the time of Jesus. Return to the hotel in Jerusalem for dinner and overnight. (BD)

DAY 11: MONDAY 07 SEPT Mt of Olives, Herodion, Bethlehem
Drive to the Mt of Olives for a wonderful view of Jerusalem. See the Place of Ascension and the Pater Noster Church and view the Palm Sunday Road. At the foot of the hill see the Garden of Gethsemane with its ancient olive trees and the Church of All Nations. Visit Herodion and then continue to Bethlehem to the Nativity Church, the birth place of Jesus Christ. Return to our hotel in Jerusalem for dinner and overnight. (BD)

DAY 12: TUESDAY 08 SEPT Old City of Jerusalem, Mt Zion, Citadel, Garden Tomb
Enter the Old City once again. See the Pool of Bethesda where the angel ruffled the water, and St. Anne's Church, the traditional birthplace of Jesus' mother. Visit the Convent of the Sisters of Zion and pass the Stations of the Cross along the Via Dolorosa ending at the Church of The Holy Sepulchre. Leaving the Old City through the bustling souk (bazaar), we visit the Tomb of the Kings on Mt Zion and visit the Tomb of David, the Upper Room and the Church of St Peter in Gallicantu, the home of Caiaphas. Continue with a visit to David's Citadel at the Jaffa Gate. We end the day with a Communion Service at the Garden Tomb. Return to our hotel in Jerusalem for dinner and overnight. (BD)

DAY 13: WEDNESDAY 09 SEPT Bethany, Masada, Qumran, Dead Sea
Start the day with a visit to Bethany, home of Martha, Mary and Lazarus, and see the wine-press. Continue to Masada the last stronghold of Jewish resistance to the Romans, and then to Ein Gedi for a visit. Drive on to Qumran, where the Essene enclave was and see the caves where the Dead Sea Scrolls were hidden and later discovered. We will also have time for a dip in the salty waters of the Dead Sea. Return to our hotel in Jerusalem for dinner and overnight. (BD)

DAY 14: THURSDAY 10 SEPT Free day in Jerusalem
Enjoy the day for some free time to relax or to wander at leisure through the Old City. Final dinner and overnight in Jerusalem. (BD)

DAY 15: FRIDAY 11 SEPT Depart Amman
Depart Jerusalem early this morning and journey to the Allenby Bridge for the crossing back into Jordan and onwards to Queen Alia International Airport for our Emirates flight to Dubai. Arrive Dubai this evening and transfer to our connecting flight back to Sydney.

DAY 16: SATURDAY 12 SEPT Return to Australia
Arrive Sydney late this evening with wonderful memories of our trip!

Itinerary subject to change

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TOTAL ESTIMATED PACKAGE PRICE: \$7,190*
per person (twin share)

OPTIONAL SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT ADDITIONAL \$1,995

* Based on minimum of 20 paying participants. Price is subject to change. Conditions apply.

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