



# Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands of Jordan & Israel

# 15 Days

## Fully Escorted

### 14th – 28th April 2020



**TOUR PACKAGE PRICE** **\$5,990\*** per person (twin share)

**OPTIONAL SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT ADDITIONAL \$1,695**

\* Price is based on minimum group size of 25 paying participants. Conditions apply. Subject to change



## Escorted by The Rev'd Jonathan Chamberlain

I invite you to join me on a spiritual pilgrimage in the Holy Land. To be held in the 2020 Easter season, this pilgrimage visits Israel, Jordan and the West Bank. As the journey aims to inspire and enrich your relationship with God, this will be a pilgrimage into God. The itinerary, which includes inspiring spiritual activities, will also be great fun, as we travel around with our expert guides and drivers. So please do read on and join me on this spiritual pilgrimage to the Holy Land at Easter time in 2020...

*Rev Jonathan Chamberlain*

### BASED ON FOLLOWING HOTELS (or similar):

<b>Petra</b>	Petra Panorama Hotel	2 nights
<b>Amman</b>	Amman International	1 night
<b>Galilee</b>	Sea of Galilee Hotel	3 nights
<b>Bethlehem</b>	St Gabriel's Hotel	2 nights
<b>Jerusalem</b>	Gloria Hotel	4 nights

### PRICE INCLUDES

- Return economy airfares with Emirates Airlines from Melbourne - Dubai - Amman.
- Current airport and departure taxes.
- Visa Fees: Jordan Visa is free for groups that arrive and depart together, Israel Visa is free for Australian passport holders.
- 12 nights' hotel accommodation in shared twin rooms.
- Breakfast and dinner daily, from dinner on first day to breakfast on last day. All meals at hotels unless otherwise specified.
- Transport by deluxe air-conditioned motor-coach
- All guiding and entrance fees
- Sightseeing as per confirmed itinerary
- Whisperer headsets
- All tips, portage and gratuities

### PRICE EXCLUDES

- Entrance/sightseeing/meals other than those in the itinerary
- Lunches
- 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'd Jonathan Chamberlain or the team at Olive Tree Travel
2. To secure your place, a booking deposit of \$350 per person will be required by 31st May 2019
3. The balance payment is required by 11th February 2020



**DAY 1: APRIL 14 TUESDAY Depart Australia**  
Depart Melbourne this evening on our Emirates flight to Dubai.

**DAY 2: APRIL 15 WEDNESDAY**  
**Arrive Amman, Mt Nebo, Madaba, Petra**

On arrival into Dubai we transfer to our onward flight bound for Amman, Jordan. Upon arrival into Amman this morning we will be met and assisted through immigration by our tour guide and driver. We drive to Mt Nebo, where Moses first saw the Promised Land across the Jordan Valley. Continue onto the mainly Christian town of Madaba to see the famous mosaic map of the world with Jerusalem at its centre. We then transfer to our hotel in Petra for dinner and overnight. (D)

**DAY 3: APRIL 16 THURSDAY Full Day Petra**

Today we will tour Petra, the rose red city half as old as time. We will commence our visit of the ancient Nabatean Capital walking through the ciq, a long narrow fissure between two overhanging cliffs. The tour then proceeds to gradually unfold the mysteries of the red rose city with its spectacular treasury, royal tombs, burial chambers and high places of sacrifice. Dinner and overnight at Petra. (BD)

**DAY 4: APRIL 17 FRIDAY Petra, Baptismal site, Amman**

We depart Petra this morning and proceed north to Bethany on the Jordan River, a Baptismal site. This afternoon we head to Amman for an orientation tour before arriving to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (BD)

**DAY 5: APRIL 18 SATURDAY**

**Allenby Bridge, Jericho, Tiberias, Mt of Temptation**

After breakfast we proceed to the nearby Allenby Bridge border crossing point to Israel. After border formalities we visit Jericho, one of the oldest cities in the world and see the excavations there. Ascend the Mt of Temptation by cable car and then take the scenic drive up through the Jordan Valley to our hotel in the Galilee. Dinner and overnight is at our hotel on the shores of the Sea of Galilee near Tiberias. (BD)

**DAY 6: APRIL 19 SUNDAY**

**Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, Mt of Beatitudes, Tabgha**

After breakfast, enjoy a morning boat ride across the Sea of Galilee. We will then visit the ancient fishing boat dating from the 1st century that was found in the seabed at Nof Ginosar Kibbutz. Driving up the Mt of Beatitudes, we will visit the beautiful church where the Sermon on the Mount is remembered. From there, we continue onto Capernaum to see the synagogue and Peter's House, centre of Jesus' preaching ministry. See the Church of Tabgha with its famous mosaic of the Loaves and Fishes, and the Church of Primacy where Jesus said to Peter "Thou art the rock". Return for dinner and overnight at our hotel in the Galilee. (BD) Prayer service at Mt of Beatitudes.

**DAY 7: APRIL 20 MONDAY**

**Cana, Nazareth, Nazareth Village, Mt Tabor**

Drive to Cana, the site of the First Miracle of turning water into wine, and then onto Nazareth to see the Church of the Annunciation and Mary's Well. We also visit Nazareth Village, a reconstructed site, capturing life in 1st century Nazareth. Drive to the foot of Mt Tabor, site of the Transfiguration, and take taxis up to the summit to visit the church. Return to our hotel in the Galilee for dinner and overnight. (BD)

**DAY 8: APRIL 21 TUESDAY Zippori, Caesarea, Bethlehem**

We start the day with a visit to the Roman remains of Zippori, which used to be a major town at the time of Jesus. See the ancient mosaics and other remains before passing by the ancient town of Megiddo and the Valley of Armageddon and take the coastal highway to Caesarea, once capital of the Roman province. There we will see the Roman and Crusader remains and the harbour from

which St. Paul was taken prisoner to Rome. Continue onto Bethlehem to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (BD)

**DAY 9: APRIL 22 WEDNESDAY Bethlehem, Israel Museum, Ein Karem**

Visit the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, built over the stable cave of Jesus' birth. Have MASS here. Then onto the Shepherds' Fields stopping at the church there with its blackened cave where shepherds' watched over their flocks. Visit the Shrine of the Book at the Israel Museum, where the Dead Sea Scrolls are kept. We will also visit the Model of Jerusalem at the time of Jesus and the Second Temple. Continue to the village of Ein Karem and see the Church of Visitation. Return to the hotel in Bethlehem for dinner and overnight. (BD)

**DAY 10: APRIL 23 THURSDAY Mt. Olives, Gethsemane, Western Wall**

Drive to the Mt of Olives for a wonderful view of the Old City of Jerusalem. See the Place of Ascension, commemorating Jesus' Ascension and the Pater Noster Church. We then follow the Palm Sunday Road stopping at Dominus Flevit, where Jesus wept over Jerusalem. At the foot of the hill see the Garden of Gethsemane with its ancient olive trees, and the Church of All Nations; then onto the Western Wall, the most holy place for Jews. Nearby is the Dome of the Rock and the Haram al Sharif, or Temple Mount. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem. (BD)

**DAY 11: APRIL 24 FRIDAY Masada, Qumran, Dead Sea**

This morning we drive on along the shores of the Dead Sea, the lowest point on earth to the fortress mountain called Masada, which was the stronghold of Jewish resistance to the Romans in the revolt of AD 75. Ascend by cable car to see the remains of Herod's Palace and many other archaeological excavations which were found there. Drive to Qumran to visit the remains of the Essene enclave and see the caves where the Dead Sea Scrolls were hidden and discovered. Stop by the Dead Sea for a float in its salty waters before returning to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight. (BD)

**DAY 12: APRIL 25 SATURDAY**

**Old City of Jerusalem, Mt Zion, Garden Tomb**

This morning we will start early to enter the Old City through St Stephen's Gate and walk along The Via Dolorosa and ending up at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. We visit St. Anne's Church, the home of the Virgin Mary and her parents Saints Joachim and Anne and pass the Ecce Homo where Pilate proclaimed "Behold the man". In the afternoon we drive up to Mt Zion to see the Upper Room, the Tomb of David and the Church of Dormition. Visit the Church known as St. Peter in Gallicantu, where Peter denied Christ. Also see Caiphas' House, where Jesus was held. This afternoon, we will visit the Garden Tomb for a communion service. Return to our hotel in Jerusalem for dinner and overnight. (BD)

**DAY 13: APRIL 26 SUNDAY Beer Sheba**

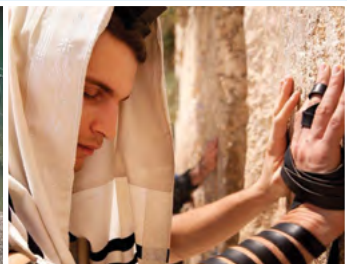
This morning after breakfast we attend the Sunday service at St George's Cathedral. We then drive to Beer Sheba to visit the Australian Lighthouse Charge and Battlefields sites. We return to our hotel in Jerusalem for final dinner and overnight at our hotel. (BD)

**DAY 14: APRIL 27 MONDAY Allenby Bridge, Depart Amman, Dubai**

This morning after check-out, we travel to the border at Allenby Bridge for our crossing back into Jordan. We transfer to Amman Airport to check-in for our flight departing for Dubai. On arrival into Dubai, we transfer to our connecting flight home. (B)

**DAY 15: APRIL 28 TUESDAY Arrive Australia**

Arrive back home this evening with wonderful memories of our pilgrimage!  
\*\*itinerary is subject to change\*\*



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