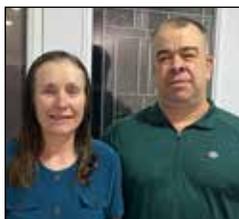


# THE HOLY LAND

*Past and Present Journey*

23 February - 05 March, 2027



*Hosted by Johan & Maria Peters*



*Tel Aviv, from the ancient port of Jaffa*



*Sea of Galilee, viewed from the Mount of Beatitudes*



*Boat Ride and Fellowship on the Sea of Galilee*



*Temple Mount, viewed from the Mount of Olives*



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*“Väle Velkja woaren oppstonen un sajen: Komt, well wie opp däm Harn sien Boajch nopp gonen, no däm Tempel fa dän Gott dän Jakob deend; dee woat ons believen, daut wie soo haundlen un soo läwen woaren, aus hee daut haben well. Daut Jesaz woat von Zion komen, un däm Harn sien Wuat von Jerusalem.” Jesaja 2:3 PB*

*“Many people will come and say, “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the temple of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths.” The Law will go out from Zion, the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.” Isaiah 2:3 NIV*

#### **DAY 1: Tuesday, February 23**

Depart from Toronto on our overnight flight to Tel Aviv. Dinner and complimentary inflight service will be provided during the flight.

#### **DAY 2: Wednesday, February 24**

**Hotel: Tal Hotel, Tel Aviv**

Upon arrival in Tel Aviv, our tour guide will assist us with luggage. We will board our luxury touring coach and spend time relaxing and enjoying the Mediterranean coastline for the evening.

Before we go to our hotel, we will visit the port City of Joffa – the site of the story of Jonah as well as Peter’s vision and calling to go to the Gentiles with the Gospel.

Tonight, we will enjoy our ‘Welcome to Israel’ dinner at the Tal Hotel, located by the shores of the Mediterranean Sea. **(B, D)**

#### **DAY 3: Thursday, February 25**

**Hotel: Caesar Hotel, Tiberius (Sea of Galilee)**

After our first Israeli breakfast, we head north along the ‘Via Maris’ towards the Galilee, stopping at the following:

**Caesarea** – The ancient Roman seaport capital of Israel where Pontius Pilate had his base. It is also where the apostle Paul landed during missionary journeys and where he was imprisoned and placed on trial.

**Mount Carmel** – Stand where the Prophet Elijah called on the fire of God to conquer the prophets of Baal and overlook the Valley of Armageddon.

**Megiddo (Hebrew for Armageddon)** – See the giant fortress and city built by King Solomon.

Our dinner and overnight stay will be at the Caesar Hotel Tiberius, home for the next three nights. Situated by the shores of the Sea of Galilee, there is no better location to enjoy Galilee while at our hotel. **(B, D)**

#### **DAY 4: Friday, February 26**

**Hotel: Caesar Hotel, Tiberius (Sea of Galilee)**

After our buffet breakfast, we spend our full day touring around the Sea of Galilee visiting:

**Magdala**- Located within one kilometer from our kibbutz, we have one of the latest Biblical excavation digs. We have the chance to visit what has been unearthed so far for the ancient seaside town of Magdala. (Luke 8:1-3)

**Kursi** – The site of Gergesa (Kursi) was identified as the site where Jesus cast demons into the swine.

**Bethsaida** – Also known as ‘The House of The Fisherman’ this is the home of Peter, Philip and Andrew and also the place where Jesus fed the five thousand and healed the blind man. Here, we will see recent excavations of this old city.

**The Mount of Beatitudes** – While looking south at the Sea of Galilee, sit on the hill where Jesus delivered His Sermon on the Mount and told His disciples “You are the light of the world”.

**Capernaum** – The center of Jesus’ Galilee Ministry. Jesus lived here for a substantial period, healing the sick, preaching in the synagogue and performing miracles.

**Tabgha** – Located at the foot of the Mt. of Beatitudes, this is the site of the Miracle of The Loaves and the Fishes.

**Ginosar** – Here, we will visit the **Jesus Boat Museum** exhibit. Discovered by accident during the drought of 1986, this fishing boat would have existed at the time of Jesus.

**Sea of Galilee Boat Ride** – Today ends with boat ride and worship on the Sea of Galilee.

Tonight, dinner will be at our hotel in Tiberius.

#### **DAY 5: Saturday, February 27**

**Hotel: Caesar Hotel Tiberius (Sea of Galilee)**

After breakfast, we spend our day in upper Galilee:

**Tel Dan** – This national park and archeological site allows us to experience a Canaanite city visited by Abraham.

**Caesarea Philippi** – “On this rock, I will build My Church”. It was here that Jesus revealed to the Disciples His purpose, His Church, and where Peter first identifies Jesus as the Messiah.

**Golan Heights** – Today, we have the opportunity to view Israel from both Mt. Bental and the Golan Heights. This parcel of land plays a significant role in the security of those living in the Jordan Valley and Upper Galilee.

**Yardenit**- In this river, where Jesus was Baptized, you have the opportunity to be Baptized or have your Baptismal vows reaffirmed.

Dinner will be at our hotel. **(B, D)**

#### **DAY 6: Sunday, February 28**

**Hotel: Enjoy Hotel, Dead Sea**

After our buffet breakfast, we begin to make our way towards the Dead Sea while enjoying some amazing biblical sites.

**Nazareth** – Here is where Jesus spent his childhood with Mary and Joseph. Nazareth is also the site of The Annunciation and where the Nazarenes attempted to throw Jesus over the cliff.

**Jericho**- We visit Old Testament **Jericho**, home of Rahab the harlot and where the walls came tumbling down. In the New Testament, Jericho is close to where **Jesus healed Bartimaeus**.

**Mt. of Temptation**- Overlooking Jericho, it is this area of the Judean wilderness that Jesus was tempted by the devil. (Matthew 4:8)



This afternoon, we shall arrive at our Dead Sea hotel for dinner and overnight stay. (B, D)

**DAY 7: Monday, March 01**

**Hotel: Grand Court Hotel, Jerusalem**

After breakfast, we have a free morning to enjoy the facilities of the hotel and float in the Dead Sea.

**Dead Sea** – No visit to the Dead Sea would be complete without experiencing the unique buoyancy of these waters. Cover yourself in therapeutic black mud and float your aches and pains away!

After our unique experience, we take the short ride to our first visit of the day, Masada!

**Masada** – This UNESCO World Heritage site was once Herod's mountain top palace and fortress. Here, we ascend to the site by cable car and learn about the last Jewish stand against the Romans and the mass suicide of the 960 Jewish defenders.

**Ein Gedi** – This national park and oasis hosts the caves of David's Gorge where David hid from Saul and his army.

After another fascinating day, we make our way 'up' to Jerusalem. Dinner will be served at our hotel this evening. (B, D)

**DAY 8: Tuesday, March 02**

**Hotel: Grand Court Hotel, Jerusalem**

Following our buffet breakfast, we travel outside of Jerusalem into the Judean hills and visit the following:

**Bethlehem** – Where we shall visit: Manger Square, the Church of the Nativity, Star of Bethlehem and Shepherd's Fields.

**Herodium** – Located south from Jerusalem, this was one of Herod's favourite palaces and fortresses. Herodium is the location of the recently discovered site of Herod's tomb. From this vantage point, we can look across the Dead Sea to Mt. Nebo.

Once back in Jerusalem, we shall visit:

**Western Wall Tunnels**- It is here that we can observe the Orthodox Jews as they pray relentlessly along with many Christians. Some of us may wish to leave a hand written note placed in the crevices of the Western Wall. Then, we will go underground to explore the tunnels that have been built and explore the unseen parts of the Western Wall.

This evening, dinner will be back at our hotel in Jerusalem. (B, D)

**DAY 9: Wednesday, March 03**

**Hotel: Grand Court Hotel, Jerusalem**

After breakfast, we will spend our first full day in Jerusalem visiting:

**Temple Mount** – Pending access to the site, we will see the al-Aqsa Mosque and the Dome of the Rock.

**Davidson Centre and southern wall excavations**- This new facility uses state-of-the-art technology to bring the Temple Mount to life. This will give us a better understanding of the magnitude of Herod's construction versus what we see today.

**City of David** – This afternoon, we will be guided through the site and new excavations of the City of David. You will have the opportunity to walk through Hezekiah's tunnel and re-surface at the pool of Siloam

**Yad Vashem** – The national museum and memorial to the holocaust!

**Shrine of the Book museum** – Here, we can see many original fragments of the Dead Sea scrolls plus a replica of the great Isaiah Scroll.

**Scale Model of Jerusalem** – This fabulous reconstruction of the old City of Jerusalem gives us a chance to better understand the importance of the second temple and the city during King Herod's time.

This evening, we will enjoy a buffet dinner together at our hotel. (B, D)

**DAY 10: Thursday, March 04**

**Hotel: Grand Court Hotel, Jerusalem**

After breakfast, our final day of touring will retrace many of the final moments in the life of Jesus – concluding in a celebration of His resurrection.

**Mount of Olives** – We begin our day by viewing Jerusalem from the Mt. of Olives. Photo opportunities abound at this time with the Golden Dome of the Rock prominent. From here, we shall walk down to The Garden of Gethsemane along the same path as that Jesus took when entering the city on Palm Sunday.

**Garden of Gethsemane** – The site where Jesus is betrayed and prayed at the Rock of Agony in the Garden – “My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done”.

**House of Caiaphas** – the traditional site where Jesus was imprisoned and where Peter denies Jesus.

**Via Dolorosa** – The one mile long route through the Old City of Jerusalem from the point of condemnation by Pontius Pilate to Golgotha, Calvary Hill.

**Holy Sepulcher Church** – Stations X- XIV on The Via Dolorosa.

**Garden Tomb** – Preserved by The Garden Tomb Association, these beautiful gardens surround the traditional site of The Garden Tomb. Many believe that this was the actual garden of Joseph of Arimathea.

**Communion Service** – following our time at the Garden Tomb, we will have a Communion Service to remember the death and resurrection of our Lord.

This evening, we will enjoy our last dinner together in Jerusalem. A wonderful time to share and reflect on what this journey has meant to you. (B, D)

**DAY 11: Friday, March 05**

This morning, we depart for our flights back to Canada, arriving in Toronto in the late afternoon. Lunch and complimentary in-flight service will be provided onboard. (B, D)

**B = Breakfast L = Lunch D = Dinner.**

**ITINERARY SUBJECT  
TO ALTERATION BY YOUR LEADERSHIP TEAM**



**INCLUDED**

**Air travel:** Airfare from Toronto.

Tal Hotel, Tel Aviv  
Caesar Hotel, Tiberius  
Enjoy Hotel, Dead Sea  
Grand Court Hotel, Jerusalem.

**Meals:** Full buffet breakfast and dinner daily with tea and coffee (some Israel hotels don't serve coffee with dinner).

**Transportation:** Air conditioned luxury coach service throughout the tour.

**Sightseeing:** Comprehensive program as per itinerary, including all entrance fees.

**Tour Guides:** Government licensed Tour Managers throughout the journey to accompany the group.

**Porterage:** One large suitcase per person. Each person is responsible for his/her other luggage.

**Bottled water:** 2 per person per day.

**Headsets:** 1 wireless set per person to listen to guide.

**Embarkation package:** An informative package will be mailed one month prior to departure.

**Departure taxes/Fuel charges:** Currently Cad \$xxx.

**Gratuities:** Equivalent to USD\$200.

**NOT INCLUDED**

**Lunches.** (Unless mentioned in the itinerary.)

**Comprehensive Travel Insurance:**

Christian Journeys requires that you must have – “out of country” emergency medical insurance, equivalent to (or greater than) \$250,000. We have many insurance policy options to offer which include cancellation and interruption coverage. Please contact our office for policy details and premiums.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Passport:** Tour participants must be in possession of a valid passport which does not expire before 03 September 2027. Canadian and USA

passport holders do not currently require a visa for Israel.

**Currency surcharge:** Christian Journeys reserves the right to introduce a currency surcharge. If applicable, this would be assessed 90 days prior to departure.

**Fuel surcharge:** At time of print, the airline still implements a fuel surcharge on all of its flights. The current fuel surcharge is approx \$585. This is included in the departure taxes/fuel charges amount. The final fuel related charges will be reassessed at 90 days prior to departure.

**Reservations:** Telephone and email reservation requests will be taken but only upon receipt of deposit and completed tour booking form will your place be confirmed.

**Deposit and final payment:** A deposit of \$400 is required along with the signed booking form. Bookings within 60 days of departure require full payment and are 100% non-refundable.

**Travel Insurance:** The Comprehensive Travel Policy includes ‘trip cancellation’ coverage to protect you against all monies paid, except the insurance premium.

**General Health:** All tour members should be in sufficient good health to enjoy the tour in its entirety.

**11 DAY JOURNEY PROGRAM**

<b>JOURNEY LAND PRICE:</b>	<b>\$ 4999</b>
<b>**GROUP AIRFARE:</b>	<b>\$ 1800</b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 6799</b>

**(Based on 20 paid passengers)**

**(\*\* Group airfare rate and schedule will be confirmed in April)**

<b>SINGLE SUPPLEMENT:</b>	<b>\$ 1599</b>
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