NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL **PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND** 13 DAYS: APRIL 24-MAY 6, 2023

Visiting

JEZREEL VALLEY * TIBERIAS * NAZARETH * SEA OF GALILEE BETHLEHEM * JERUSALEM * JERICHO * SHEPHELAH

Hosted by

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Mauldin

\$4749 per person from Atlanta

(Air/land tour price is \$3999 plus \$750 government taxes/airline surcharges)



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Dear Friends,

Linda and I are delighted to again host a trip to the biblical land of Israel, April 24- May 6, 2023. Our tour begins with a visit to Caesarea on the coast and makes our way to Tiberius of the Sea of Galilee, stopping at Mt. Carmel and Megiddo along the way. We will see many

along the way. We will see many other sites in Galilee, where so much of Jesus' ministry took place, as far north as Caesarea Philippi. A high point included is the Nazareth Village at Nazareth. Sailing on the Sea of Galilee creates memories you will always treasure. Sites of OT significance, such as Dan, where Jeroboam installed the golden calf with its system of apostate worship are included. We will spend three nights in the Galilee region!

Going down the Jordan Valley we will see Beth Shean, where the Philistines fastened Saul's body and those of his three sons following Israel's defeat at Gilboa (1 Sam. 31). We'll make brief stops at Jezreel, and well as the Spring of Harod, where Gideon's army was trimmed down to a mere 300 men. Then we will be based in Jerusalem for the remainder of the tour; our itinerary is packed with sites to visit there; also, to the south we will include Jericho, Qumran, En-Gedi, the Dead Sea and Masada. In fact, we will go as far south as Beersheba.

Conditions permitting, I have scheduled a day in the West Bank, including Shiloh, Samaria, Jacob's Well, Shechem, Mt. Gerizim and Mt. Ebal, Tirzah, Dothan, then en route to TLV, Antipatris and Joppa!

I have worked with NAWAS for years and they provide the best hotels and guides. Our safety and security is their first concern. The tour includes round trip airfare from Atlanta, accommodations at first class hotels, Israeli breakfast and dinner daily, comprehensive sightseeing throughout and all entrance fees per the itinerary. We have excellent prices! The 13- day tour price is \$3999 plus government taxes/airline surcharges for a total of \$4749 per person. (Tips in the amount of \$175 per person will also be collected prior to departure), round trip from Atlanta International Airport.

A trip to Israel is truly "A Trip That Will Change Your Life." You will never read the Bible the same; there's nothing like onsite Bible study. This is true whether this it's the first time or a return trip!

Contact me at leon.mauldin@gmail.com for further information. You may call me at 256-339-0755. Kindest Regards,

Leon Mauldin

TOUR FEATURES:

- Round trip airfare from Atlanta
- \$750 government taxes & airline surcharges
- Accommodations in first class/select hotels based on 2 persons sharing in twin-bedded rooms with private bath
- Most meals
- Services of a professional English-speaking local guide
- Comprehensive sightseeing throughout
- All admission fees, porterage, hotel taxes and service charges
- Transfers to/from airports by private motorcoach including meeting/assistance and porterage.

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

ATLANTA/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

MON, APR 24

You will rendezvous with your tour group at the international airport in Atlanta and begin your journey to Tel Aviv airport.

ARRIVE TEL AVIV/NETANYA

TUE, APR 25

Our exciting journey to the Land of the Bible begins as we arrive in Tel Aviv, a very modern city which is quickly becoming one of the technological capitals of the world. We will be met and escorted to our waiting motor coach for the transfer to our hotel in Netanya on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea. (D)

NETANYA/CAESAREA/TIBERIAS

WED, APR 26

Our first destination of the day will be the coastal city of Caesarea Maritima on the coast of the "Great Sea", the home of Cornelius and the city where Paul was imprisoned for two years awaiting trial. From there we will arrive at the top of Mount Carmel where the prophet Elijah competed with the prophets of Baal. This will offer us our first view of the expansive Jezreel Valley. A visit to Megiddo will highlight its strategic importance. On the northern side of the valley, our tour of Nazareth will include a visit to a reconstructed first century village. This village is always a highlight for Bible class teachers as it offers tremendous opportunities to better understand the customs of the Bible. Our first day will end with our arrival at the Sea of Galilee. **(B,D)**

TIBERIAS

THU, APR 27 & FRI, APR 28

Since there are so many things to see in the region of Galilee, we are going to take two full days. On one day, we will travel to the Upper Galilee region and visit the cities of Hazor, Dan, and Caesarea Philippi. This area usually provides some beautiful views of Mount Hermon. On our return back to the Sea, we will travel through the Golan Heights, which will include a view of the Syrian plains in the direction of Damascus, where Paul received his vision. Our second day will be spent entirely around the Sea itself, beginning with a boat



ride across the Sea. You will be able to understand the way that the narratives are written when you can see the locations for yourself. We will visit Capernaum, Tiberias, Magdala, the Mount of Beatitudes, Chorazin, Bethsaida, the Cove of the Sower, and an actual boat from the first century. (B,D)

TIBERIAS/JERUSALEM

SAT, APR 29

As we travel along the way, we will visit Beth Shean, the Spring of Harod, and Jezreel. We will be able to see the Hill of Moreh where Gideon attacked the Midianites, Mount Tabor where Deborah and Barak fought against Sisera, and Mount Gilboa where Saul died. We will continue to Jerusalem. (B,D)

JERUSALEM – DEAD SEA

SUN, APR 30

This morning, we will provide an opportunity for worship before we leave the hotel. Then we will visit Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, Ein Gedi where David hid from Saul and King Herod's summer palace of Masada. On our return trip to Jerusalem, we will make a stop in the city of Jericho, where Joshua marched with the Ark of the Covenant, until the walls came down. Jericho is thought to be the oldest continually inhabited city in the world! At the end of the day, we will arrive at one of the most famous cities in the world, Jerusalem. (B,D)

MON, MAY 1

JERUSALEM

We will start our day with a visit to the Mount of Olives. You will never forget this traditional view of Jerusalem. Walking through the Garden of Gethsemane and to the Kidron Valley will bring us to the City of David. Here, we will see the foundations of the ancient city, the Gihon Spring, and Hezekiah's tunnel. On the southern end of the hill, excavations are underway around the Pool of Siloam, where Jesus told the blind man to wash to receive his sight. After lunch, it is on to Bethlehem, and a visit to the Church of the Nativity. (B,D)

JERUSALEM

TUE, MAY 2

We will start our day on the Temple Mount, where Solomon built his temple and Peter preached to the crowd on the Day of Pentecost. We will walk through the Old City of Jerusalem on our way to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the traditional location of Golgotha. You will never forget your walk through this ancient city. The Western Wall of the Temple Mount is the holiest site in Jewish religion. We will end our day sitting on the southern steps of the Temple Mount, the same steps that Jesus walked up when he visited the temple as a child.

(B,D)

WED. MAY 3

JERUSALEM

Today we will spend the day with a tour of the Shephelah. We will visit the Sorek Valley where Samson lived, and the Valley of Elah to see the site where David defeated Goliath. From there we will travel to Lachish and Beersheva before returning to Jerusalem. (B,D)

JERUALEM – WEST BANK

THU, MAY 4

After breakfast, we will spend the day traveling through ancient Samaria. We will begin with a drive by Saul's hometown of Gibeah and continue to Michmash, Mount Ebal and Gerizim. In Nablus, we will visit Jacob's Well before walking around the ruins of Shiloh, where Samuel grew up and became the final judge of Israel. (B,D)

NOTE: If the situation does not allow us to travel to Samaria, we will spend our time visiting other sites in and around Jerusalem.

JERUSALEM

FRI, MAY 5

We will begin our day with a trip to the Garden Tomb, north of the Old City. From there, we will visit the Israel Museum. You will be able to view the original Dead Sea Scrolls and several artifacts that relate directly to many places we have visited. The large-scale model of first century Jerusalem will pull it all together for you. Our day ends by touring ancient Joppa and enjoying our last meal together while overlooking the Mediterranean Sea. After dinner, we will head to the airport to prepare for our overnight flight home. (B,D)

ARRIVE UNITED STATES/ATLANTA

SAT, MAY 6

We will arrive early this morning back in the United States remembering all of the things that we have learned and ready to share them with others.

(B) ~ Breakfast (D) ~ Dinner

Nawas reserves the right to amend the itinerary if there are any safety concerns.

Introducing the Tour Leader



Leon Mauldin has made numerous trips to the Bible lands, for research and photography for Biblical teaching. He has preached since 1972, and has served as minister at his current location Hanceville, in AL (Hanceville church of Christ), for the past thirty-three years. He has con-

ducted special series in several states and foreign countries on the History and Geography of the Bible, and related topics. He is one of the authors of the new Discovering God's Way Bible class curriculum (Religious Supply, Louisville, ed. Bob Harkrider), and writes articles on biblical archaeology in Truth Magazine. Mauldin holds associate membership in the Near East Archaeological Society and the Evangelical Theological Society.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Reservations may be secured upon payment of a deposit.

- A \$500 deposit is due with your reservation
- Final payment is due at NAWAS 100 days prior to departure date

TOUR-SPECIFIC INFORMATION

For terms and conditions please visit:

www.nawas.com/terms-and-conditions/

Airfare in effect on May 1, 2022, and Estimated Taxes/ Airline Surcharge of \$750 in effect on May 1, 2022.

Land Costs: Based on estimated 2023 tariffs, overseas gov't taxes and rates of exchange in effect on May 1, 2022 and a minimum of 32 or more participants per coach.

Hotel Service Charges/Taxes: In effect on May 1, 2022 (excluding hotel tourist taxes).

Customer Reviews

"It's been my extreme pleasure to benefit from your invaluable assistance with my tours—97 so far—for the past 28 years. I wouldn't dream of letting anyone else handle the many details involved in making these difficult, exotic itineraries a success, as evidenced by my many repeat clients and their referrals. Your superb attention to detail, your honesty, and your friendship are greatly appreciated. You can count on Nawas being my 'one and only' for many years to come."

Ms. M.B., California

"As always, the arrangements for our pilgrimage by Nawas were excellent. To a person, those on the tour were filled with praise for the trip. Everything was A+."

Monsignor R.S., Utah

"You people make this easy. Everything was outstanding. Those who have been on other trips have come to expect quality and they get it!"

Father P.T., Ohio

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Nawas International Travel was founded in 1949 by Mr. Yousef Nawas. He created our faith-based tour company with a vision of offering specially designed programs of spiritual enrichment and superior quality. Mr. Nawas made travel affordable so that the faithful of all walks of life could partake. Though Mr. Nawas has since passed on, Nawas International Travel remains under his family's guidance and continues to serve thousands of travelers every year. With our global network, affordable prices, and expert tour directors combined with years of group travel expertise, we guarantee the highest quality tour and services.



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ACCOMMODATIONS DESIRED:

□ double room sharing with □ single room (\$1200 extra per person)

Enclosed is my check for \$	as
Deposit (\$500 per person) for	_ person(s)

Please include a clear photocopy of your Passport with this Reservation Form Clearly print your full name (last/first/middle) as it appears on your passport:

Passenger #1	Passenger #2	
Name:Title	Name:Title	
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Middle	Middle	
Gender: Please check	Gender: Please check	
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Date

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