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Touching the Past

Israel, and the region, are fully opened for tourists! Join us on your next adventure as you travel through history, which speaks directly to our faith

Throughout the centuries, people have longed to experience the lands of the Bible, enriching their faith and gaining knowledge of the history and culture in which Jesus lived. Somehow, touching the past arouses the faith within us.

The vision of Alpha 2 Omega Travel was to offer something much more than your average tour to Israel and other biblical destinations. We sought to add a personal touch, and be certain that each and every person traveling would feel as if they were part of the family. As part of our daily work routines, we pray for our tour groups, from the beginning to the end of the tour process. We ask God that each person would be richly blessed, with an experience beyond anything they could possibly imagine, and that their daily walk with God would be strengthened. We seek to be a ministry, not simply a business.

And with another tour season approaching, we move forward with that same vision, asking that the Lord would richly bless all of those who travel, and that their lives will be profoundly touched by His presence. We continue to offer tours which are Christ centered, with devotions. prayer, and opportunities for Bible study and fellowship. Many tour groups meet and visit with Christian families, which broadens their cultural perspective with regard to Christians around the world.

As a company, we want you to have the best experience possible while traveling with us. That is why we visit every hotel in which our groups will be booked, to make a determination if the facilities will be acceptable. We also visit local restaurants to select menus and arrange fair pricing, in order to help reduce costs to our groups. It is expensive to travel, and we want to make sure that you receive the best, without overpaying and hidden costs. We want you to have a worry-free adventure as you learn more about the Bible,

and grow in your knowledge of Him.

God has richly blessed those of us at Alpha 2 Omega Travel. We are blessed by serving tour groups each year, and blessed by getting to meet so many wonderful people, and making lasting friendships. We cherish the memories, and the time spent with each group, getting to know each person, and sharing experiences that will only be once in a life time.

As part of our newsletter, we always include a message from one of our tour hosts. Please read further to see what our tour hosts and participants have to say.

If you have never traveled with us or are interested in organizing a biblical tour, take a look at our website: www.alpha2omegatravel.org to see our newest itineraries. We have dates available for groups, as well as existing tours which individuals may join. We look forward to serving you in the future.

Linda Miller Tour Operator, M.A., owner

beginning to the end, you'll enrich your faith and experience the best!

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A message from our tour host...

Embarking on my second journey with Alpha to Omega, I found the service and organizational prowess to be nothing short of stellar and flawlessly executed. Linda, along with her adept team of tour guides, extended a warm and welcoming embrace, ensuring that our entire group's needs were met with unwavering care. As we explored the captivating landscapes of Israel and Jordan, I was reminded of the importance of discerning truth beyond the mainstream media's lens.

Contrary to sensationalized reports, Israel remained as safe in 2024 as it was during my previous visit in 2016. The very areas I toured, bustling with tourists and locals, stood in stark contrast to the alarmist claims of rocket launches propagated by Western news outlets. Israelis candidly shared their frustration at the undue impact on their small businesses and the distorted global perception of their nation.

The opportunity to walk in the footsteps of Jesus should not be missed due to misinformation. Israel's diverse citizenry, representing a myriad of religions from around the world, warmly welcomes curious visitors. Cultural and historical enrichment abounds, revealing eye-opening insights that extend beyond the expected. The well-informed tour guides, adept in all facets of the sites we explored, breathed life into biblical narratives.

Undoubtedly, this extraordinary pilgrimage belongs on every bucket list. As I eagerly plan my third trip, I remain grateful for the chance to delve deeper into the tapestry of history and faith."



Michelle Wilson, First Presbyterian Church, Upland CA



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A message from our tour guests...

This trip was amazing, and we are so happy we got to share this adventure with all of you! We took over 3,000 pictures and are still working on organizing them!

For us, Petra was the grand finale to an amazing 10 days visiting so many of the historical and biblical sites in the Holy Land. As we look back on our trip, we will always remember the beautiful churches, mosques and synagogues, touching the Wailing Wall, exploring Jerusalem at night, floating in the Dead Sea, taking a boat trip on the Sea of Galilee, walking the Way of the Cross, riding a camel in front of the Treasury at Petra and enjoying many unexpected lunches and treats!

We loved seeing the sheep, camels and Bedouin tents in the countryside and having pita bread and hummus daily! The guides were so knowledgeable and excited to share with us the history of the places we visited along with the cultural challenges Israel faces. This is a trip we have been wanting to take for a long time and we are so happy we were able to join Linda's Alpha 2 Omega Travel group. The itinerary was so well organized, and we will be recommending this tour to all our friends who want to visit Israel and Jordan!

Sharon Tipple, North Tustin CA



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It was the most incredible trip. Everything worked so well: small group, tourism down, and a most excellent guide. Oh, and the food. Still working it off.

There were too many highlights to begin listing them lest I leave one out.

I take away the experience of being at so many biblical events that I have read about but could not frame. Now as I go back and read them and new ones, I'll picture where that was. For example, I grin now when I read how Jesus, overwhelmed by the pressing of the crowd, had his disciples sail him across Galilee to the other side because I can see the other side and how fast in a boat that would be, but see how impossible it would have been for the crowd to catch up.

If you were there to see the smile on Michelle's face as she was on the Sea of Galilee and singing spiritual songs, you would know one of her favorites.

We also enjoyed the excursions that were after hours. Our guide treated us, and it was most appreciated.

Thank you, Linda, for a great trip and pass on our thanks to our guides.

Mike and Michelle Johnston, Orange CA

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Messages from our tour guests...

What a joy and a blessing! I thank God I made the decision to take this trip to the Holy Land. Yes, Israel. Of course, family, church family, and friends questioned my going (with loving concerns), if this was the right time; especially after the mascara on the 7th of October. Through prayer, listening to Ms. Linda's own experiences, and my husband's quiet approval, I got more and more excited to be on my way to experiencing the most amazing trip. What a totally, complete and memorable time I will never forget.

My greatest memories cannot be expressed in a short, detailed description. But here are some of my favorite places we visited in Israel: standing on Mt. Nebo (Moses gave his farewell speech before God took him), visiting Jesus' birth, life, death, and resurrection, to look down where some say Armageddon will take place, and given so much familiar Biblical information on the Kidron Valley. There was so much more historical data that made our heads spin.

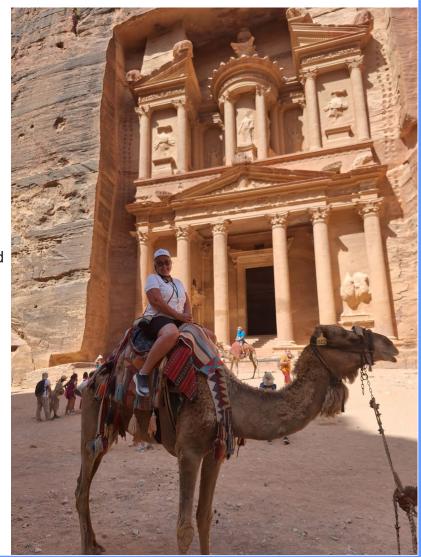
God sent the most amazing drivers and guides, who not only did their job, but spoiled us with overflowing water bottles, food, and care. I give a standing ovation for each one. I am grateful to

them. Also, the friendships that were established; our group clicked. I enjoyed the personal and funny stories shared that brought us even closer.

Last, but not least, I am humbly appreciative of a wonderful, talented leader, Ms. Linda. Thank you for sharing and passing on your compassion in putting together our unforgettable trip to the Holy Land, Israel.

It has been exciting to share with family, church family, and friends my own experience of the Holy Land. God willing, I hope to return to Israel. Be in prayer in following the footsteps of previous travelers.

Carolyn Heyward, Hesperia CA



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Tour Hosts!

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During the next few months, we are actively seeking tour hosts for the 2025-2026 tour seasons. If you have hosted a tour in the past, please give us a call to schedule dates for your next tour. If you haven't traveled with us before, or haven't traveled to the Holy Lands, we welcome the opportunity to speak with you. You can contact our office directly at (760) 985-3540 or email us at office@alpha2omegatravel.org.

Join one of our scheduled tours:

Israel is Open for Tourists!

Host a tour - Discounted - Israel 2025 Jan 6-15, Jan 13-22, Jan 20-29, Jan 27-Feb 5 Complete package starting at \$3599 Land only package starting at \$2799

Host a tour - Israel - Custom Pricing 2025
Feb 3-13, Feb 19-Mar 1, Feb 27-Mar 9, Mar 17-27, Mar 25-Apr 4
Apr 2-12, Apr 21-May 2, Apr 30-May 10, May 8-18, May 19-29, Jun 2-12
Jun 10-20, Jun 18-28, Jun 26-Jul 6, Aug 28-Sept 7
Sept 1-11, Sept 9-20, Oct 2-11, Oct 9-19, Oct 20-30, Oct 28-Nov 7, Nov 5-15,
Nov 13-23, Nov 24-Dec 5, Dec 3-13

Host a tour - Discounted - Israel 2026 Jan 5-14, Jan 12-21, Jan 19-28, Jan 26-Feb 4 Complete package starting at \$3599 Land only package starting at \$2799

Host a tour - Israel - Custom Pricing 2026
Feb 2-11, Feb 9-18, Feb 16-25, Marc 9-18, Mar 16-25, Apr 13-22, Apr 20-29
Apr 27-May 6, May 4-13, May 11-20, Jun 1-10, Jun 8-17, Jun 15-24, Jun 22-Jul 1
Aug 31-Sept 9, Oct 5-14, Oct 12-21, Oct 19-28, Oct 26-Nov 4, Nov 2-11
Nov 9-18, Nov 16-25, Nov 23-Dec 2, Nov 30-Dec 9, Dec 7-16, Dec 14-23,
Dec 21-30

Join an existing tour- Space Available
If you have a small group, join with one of our existing tours!
Israel - October 29-November 8, 2024 - \$4399
Israel - November 8-19, 2024 - \$3839
Israel - Feb 11-21, 2025 - \$4099.00
Israel and Jordan - February 20 - March 5, 2025 - \$4199
Israel - March 4-14, 2025 - \$3999

Save \$\$\$\$ when purchasing a complete package!

Song of Ascent; Psalm 122:6-8



Pray for Jerusalem's peace! Prosperity to all you who love Jerusalem!

Friendly insiders, get along!
Hostile outsiders, keep your distance!

For the sake of my family and friends, I say it again, live in peace!



