

In the Footsteps of Jesus

An Alternative Tour to Palestine & Israel

January 29-February 9, 2016

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Conditions on the ground and availability of speakers can dictate changes in the itinerary. Times for group worship & reflections vary each day.

Two of Siraj's awards:



Manger Square Hotel, Bethlehem

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Villa Nazareth Hotel, Nazareth

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Golden Walls Hotel, Jerusalem

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Friday, January 29

Depart the U.S.

Saturday, January 30

Arrive Tel Aviv, transfer via motor coach to Bethlehem

After settling in at the Manger Square Hotel (located near the Nativity Church), we will meet our guide, and have lunch at Afteem's. A tour of the Nativity Church (presumed site of Jesus' birth), Jerome's Cave and Manger Square...

Early dinner and overnight at the Manger Square Hotel

Sunday, January 31

Early risers may visit the Manger Church or watch Bethlehem awake around Manger Square.

Breakfast at Manger Square Hotel

Bus to Jerusalem to visit Al Aqsa Mosque (the Temple Mount) and begin tour of Old City: Via Doloroso, Church of the Resurrection, Western Wall (Wailing Wall).

Attend worship at St. George Cathedral (a Global Ministries partner).

Lunch

Continue tour of Old City, Kidron Valley, Gethsemane and more.

Dinner at local restaurant & overnight at Manger Square Hotel

Monday, February 1

Breakfast at Manger Square Hotel

Visit Shepherds Fields, Beit Sahour.

Visit Wi-am, the Palestinian Conflict Resolution Centre.

Visit Aida Refugee Camp in Bethlehem.

Lunch

Bus to Jerusalem to visit B'tselem (a Global Ministries partner)

Meet with The Parents Circle

Dinner at local restaurant & overnight at Manger Square Hotel

Tuesday, February 2

Breakfast at Manger Square Hotel

Drive south to Hebron, tour the old city including the Tomb of the Patriarchs.

Lunch

Visit Tent of Nations and plant olive trees.

Dinner at a local restaurant & overnight at Manger Square Hotel



Wednesday, February 3

Breakfast at Manger Square Hotel

Free Day in Bethlehem (for those who want, visit YWCA in Jerusalem, (a Global Ministries partner)

Late afternoon, meet with Kairos Palestine staff (a Global Ministries partner).

Dinner in a local restaurant & overnight at Manger Square

Thursday, February 4

Breakfast at Manger Square Hotel

Bus to Jericho. Experience the Judean wilderness. Hike in the Wadi Qelt or tour Jericho. Cable car to lunch on Mt. of Temptation and monastery. Visit Elisha's Spring and the traditional baptismal site and swim in the Dead Sea.

Bus through Jordan Valley to Nazareth

Dinner and overnight at Villa Nazareth, Nazareth

Friday, February 5

Breakfast at Villa Nazareth Hotel

Bus to I'billin to meet with Melkite Catholic Archbishop Elias Chacour (author of *Blood Brothers*).

Picnic lunch near Sea of Galilee. Visit Capernaum, Mt. of Beatitudes, Church of Loaves and Fishes.

Dinner and overnight at Villa Nazareth Hotel

Saturday, February 6

Breakfast at Villa Nazareth Hotel

Tour Nazareth (Basilica of the Annunciation, Mary's Well and more).

After lunch, travel to East Jerusalem to meet with the Sabeel Ecumenical Theology Center (a Global Ministries partner).

Dinner and overnight at Jerusalem's Golden Walls Hotel (across from Damascus Gate through the old city wall)

Sunday, February 7

Breakfast at Golden Walls Hotel

Worship at Redeemer Lutheran Church, Jerusalem (a Global Ministries partner).

Meet with a politically conservative Jewish voice. Lunch in the Armenian quarter of the Old City of Jerusalem. Tour Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum.

Dinner and overnight at Golden Walls Hotel

Monday, February 8

Breakfast at Golden Walls Hotel

Visit Rawdet el Zuhur School (a Global Ministries partner)

Bus to Ramallah to meet with Jean Zaru (author of *Occupied with Nonviolence: A Palestinian Woman Speaks*) in the meeting house of the Friends International Center (a Global Ministries partner).

Lunch on the street near the meeting house.

Meet with Omar Barghouti, Palestinian researcher and founding member of Palestinian BDS movement.

Enjoy a cultural dinner (with debka dancing) as guests of our hosts, the Siraj Center.

Depart for airport, then depart for the U.S. late tonight

Tuesday, February 9

Arrive in the U.S. early a.m. to meet connecting flights to your final destination.

