

## ITINERARY | DAY-BY-DAY



CAREER ENRICHMENT



### SLP & Audiology Journey to Israel, Palestine & Jordan

October 7-17, 2023

9 Nights / 11 days

\$6,499 (Incl Flights. Based on double occupancy)

\$1,099 (Single supplement)

Join us to explore Israel, Palestine & Jordan, a region steeped in history, diversity, and local traditions. Examine the range of healthcare services and education provided in each country while experiencing the unique opportunity to connect with families and community members from a broad cross-section of multicultural backgrounds.

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#### Program Highlights

- ✓ Smaller group size and private guided journey will allow for a high level of interaction with your peers and time for networking with your travel companions and meeting hosts.
- ✓ **Optional post-program extension** in Amman, Jordan

#### Education Interaction

- ✓ The goal of the professional visits is to learn about the **state of speech-language pathology** and **audiology** in relation to the health care systems, research, and rehabilitation in both Israel & Jordan.
- ✓ Interact with **speech-language pathology and audiology professionals** from a variety of facilities and academic institutions.
- ✓ Learn about the cultural, policy, political and humanitarian issues that influence the development of the profession and services in Israel and Jordan; and explore what early intervention services are available to children with complex medical conditions.
- ✓ Visit facilities like **Tel Aviv University School of Communication Disorders, Israeli Speech Hearing & Language Association, Micha Haifa Center**, and the **Haddasah Academic College Clinic of Communication Disorders**.

#### Community and cultural Interaction

- ✓ Gain authentic cultural insight during an evening spent enjoying a **home-cooked meal with a local family** in Jerusalem.
- ✓ Visit a family-owned coffee mill called **El-Babo**; meet the owner and learn about coffee making in the region.
- ✓ Explore Jerusalem including a visit to the **Jewish Wailing Wall**, a walk along the **Via Dolorosa**, the **Church of Holy Sepulcher**, **King David's tomb**, the **Room of the Last Supper** and much more.
- ✓ Explore the world's foremost **Holocaust Memorial Museum**, and archival center in Jerusalem.

#### What's Included:

- Superior accommodations throughout
- All transportation and activities outlined in the itinerary
- Group transfers to and from the international airport
- International air (set tentatively out of DC/Dulles area)
- Local English-speaking guides
- Meals as mentioned and most tips

#### Not Included:

- Personal expenses at the hotel
- Meals and beverages not specified
- Tips for national guide
- Domestic flight to gateway city



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📍 Washington Dulles

### DAY 1, Saturday, October 7, 2023

#### Depart for Israel today

Depart from Washington DC/Dulles (surrounding area) and make your way to Tel Aviv today.

📍 Tel Aviv

### DAY 2, Sunday, October 8

#### Arrival in Tel Aviv

Arrive in **Tel Aviv** today at the Ben Gurion International Airport. Upon arrival, the group will be met and transferred to your local hotel. Relax this evening and settle into your hotel.

**Tal Hotel** is just a minute's walk from Metzizim Beach. Combining upscale style and design, the beautiful property offers guests a superb Israeli buffet breakfast, in addition to lunch and dinner options, a range of seminar halls, a breezy rooftop and a gym and sauna. They have free Wi-Fi and a 24-hour front desk for your convenience.

All travelers will gather this evening with your national guide and receive further information on the program during a **welcome briefing**.

Enjoy a **welcome dinner** this evening.

**Overnight: Tal Hotel (or similar)**

**Included meals: Dinner**

📍 Tel Aviv

### DAY 3, Monday, October 9

#### Introduction to Israel

Begin your professional exchange to get an overview of the medical system in Israel related to speech language pathology and audiology issues during a visit to a local academic facility *like Tel Aviv University Department of Communication Disorders*.

Lunch will be provided this afternoon.

This afternoon the group will meet with staff at a local organization like the **Israeli Speech Hearing & Language Association**. Learn about their organization and role in the leading, representing, guiding, and educating the community of speech therapists and audiologists in Israel. Discuss topics of mutual interest including clinical research.

**Guest Program:** *Guests will visit the Peres Center for Innovation this morning. Stop for lunch before heading to the Old Jaffa Port. In 1954, Jaffa became an integral part of the Tel Aviv municipality. Explore the boutiques and galleries in the old city including a stop to see Clock Tower Square with buildings dating back to before the Ottoman period. Drive on to the Old Train Station, the central hub that once connected the holy land with its neighboring countries. End your tour with a visit to Neve Tzedek, first Jewish neighborhood to be built outside the old city of the ancient port of Jaffa.*

Dinner is on your own this evening.

**Overnight: Tal Hotel (or similar)**

**Included meals: Breakfast & Lunch**





📍 Tel Aviv

**DAY 4, Tuesday, October 10**

**Day Trip to Haifa**

This morning you will spend the day exploring **Haifa**. The group will visit a facility *like* **Micha Haifa Center** that provides treatment, education, and rehabilitation for hearing impaired children.

Arrive in Haifa and ascend **Mt. Carmel** for a view of Haifa Bay and then enter and walk through the beautiful **Bahai Gardens** with its amazing Shrine.

Proceed to **Wadi Nisnas**, a unique Arab neighborhood, known locally for its delicious culinary delights.

Enjoy lunch at one of the restaurants in the area on the footsteps of the spectacular Bahai Gardens.

Visit **Beit Hagefen**, an Arab-Jewish Cultural Center. Founded in 1963, their mission is to establish shared spaces that contain the diversity of identities and cultures in Israel and worldwide.

Return to Tel Aviv with dinner on your own.

**Overnight: Ramada Hotel (or similar)**

**Included meals: Breakfast & Lunch**



📍 Jerusalem

**DAY 5, Wednesday, October 11**

**Explore Bethlehem and Jerusalem**

Check out of your hotel and drive to **Bethlehem**. Visit the **Church of Nativity** and shepherd's fields. Located in Palestine, the basilica is in the West Bank. The grotto is of great religious significance to Christians as the birthplace of Jesus. It is the oldest site used as a place of worship in the faith and is the oldest major church in the Holy Land.

Stop at **Mount Zion** to visit *King David's Tomb* and *Cenacle*, the room said to be where the Last Supper took place and the apostles gathered to pray after Jesus ascended into heaven.

After lunch in the **Old City** walk through the Jewish quarters to the recently excavated and restored **Cardo**, the Roman Road. See the Jewish Wailing Wall and the Kotel. The **Western Wall** is a place of pilgrimage and sacred to the Jewish people as the only remains of the Second Temple.

Continue to the Christian Quarter to walk along the **Via Dolorosa** to follow in the footsteps of Jesus before his crucifixion. Head onward to tour the **Church of the Holy Sepulcher**, the location of the crucifixion and tomb of Jesus of Nazareth.

This evening after checking in at your local hotel, the group will enjoy dinner followed by a night spectacular show at the **Tower of David**.

**Overnight: Harmony Hotel (or similar)**

**Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**



📍 Jerusalem

### **DAY 6, Thursday, October 12**

#### **Holocaust Remembrance & Professional Program**

After breakfast, the group will have a moving visit to **Yad Vashem**, the world's foremost Holocaust Memorial Museum, and archival center. Hear about this dark time in the history of the Jews, be moved by stories of heroism and bravery, and experience special moments in the various memorials and exhibits. End the visit at the very moving exhibit at the **Children's Pavilion**.

Lunch will be provided at a local restaurant.

This afternoon is set aside for a meeting with a local clinic like **Haddasah Academic College Clinic of Communication Disorders** to learn more about treatment options for people with language disabilities, speech delay, and other disorders.

**Accompanying Guests:** *This afternoon guests will visit Machane Yehuda Market with a local guide. Enjoy some time to explore as you take in the local Israeli flavors, colors, and atmosphere. Learn about important Jerusalem families that have lived in the neighborhood throughout the years and visit some of the market.*

This evening the group will enjoy a farewell dinner over a home-cooked meal with a local family.

**Overnight: Harmony Hotel (or similar)**

**Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**





📍 Dead Sea

## DAY 7, Friday, October 13

### Drive to Dead Sea, Jordan

Check out of your Jerusalem hotel and make your way to Jordan. Cross the border at Allenby Bridge where local representatives will assist in the visa formalities.

The group will head directly to the Dead Sea Spa Hotel for lunch. Check in formalities will be a bit later this afternoon giving you some time to relax and enjoy the hotel amenities or float in the Dead Sea.



Dinner will be provided at the hotel this evening.

**Overnight: Dead Sea Spa Hotel (or similar)**

**Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**

📍 Petra

## DAY 8, Saturday, October 14

### Cultural Exploration

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and make your way to **Petra** via the desert highway. Lunch will be provided this afternoon at the Basin Restaurant.

**Petra Canyon Hotel** is very close to the entrance gate to Petra and has an outdoor swimming pool and a terrace. This 4-star hotel offers a concierge service and a tour desk. The property has a 24-hour front desk, room service and currency exchange for guests.

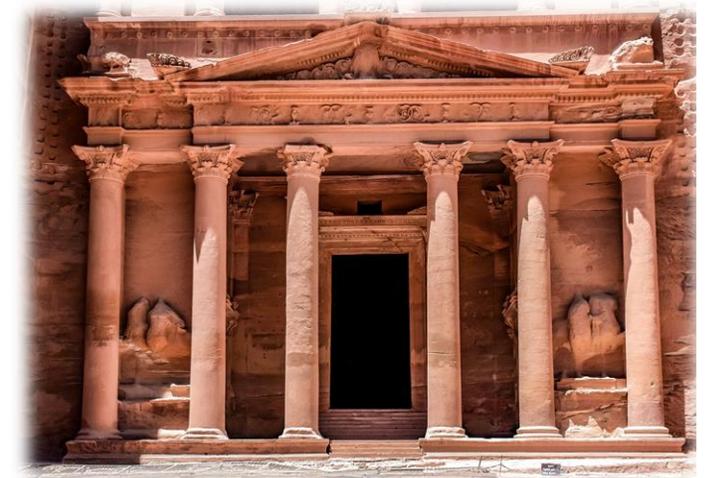
Explore **Petra** this afternoon! Perhaps the words of Dean Burgon's famous poem: 'Match me such a marvel save in Eastern clime / A rose-red city half as old as time...' reflect some truth about Petra. Yet words can hardly do justice to the true magnificence that is **Petra**.

Some archaeologists have ranked ancient Petra as the eighth wonder of the ancient world – a truly justifiable claim. This remote dead city is one of the great archaeological treasures in the world, undoubtedly; it is the most important and famous attraction of Jordan. Much of Petra's appeal comes from its awesome, multicolored sandstone high mountains; it is a secluded site of steep rocky slopes, towering craggy mountain tops and high cliffs, into which most of the celebrated tombs, facades, theatres, and stairways are carved. Nature and architecture combine to give a mythical aura to the site.

Dinner will be provided at the hotel this evening.

**Overnight: Petra Canyon Hotel (or similar)**

**Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**





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📍 Wadi Rum

### DAY 9, Sunday, October 15

#### Cultural Program and Head to Amman

After breakfast head to **Wadi Rum**. Enjoy 2-hour jeep tour in the stupendous, timeless place, virtually untouched by humanity and its destructive forces. Here, it is the weather and winds that have carved the imposing, towering skyscrapers, so elegantly described by T.E. Lawrence as “vast, echoing and god-like”. A maze of monolithic rock-scapes rises from the desert floor to heights of 1,750 meters creating a natural challenge for serious mountaineers. Hikers can enjoy the tranquility of the boundless empty spaces; explore the canyons and water holes to discover 4000-year-old rock drawings and the many other spectacular treasures this vast wilderness holds in store.

Lunch will be provided at Sinam Camp.

Head onward to Amman for check in at the **Landmark Amman Hotel**. The 5\* property has six restaurants and lounges with a variety of dining options. Guest rooms are spacious and have a large bathroom and work area. They have everything you will need for a comfortable stay including a mini bar, personal safe, free broadband internet, free daily paper, bottled water in your room, kettle for tea/coffee, and bathroom amenities.

Dinner will be provided this evening at the hotel.

**Overnight: Landmark Hotel (or similar)**

**Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**

📍 Amman

### DAY 10, Monday, October 16

#### Professional Program

Today professional members of the group will visit a **local hospital or clinic** in the morning. Later meet with a **local university or government representative** to learn about SLP/Audiology professionals in Jordan, policy, provision of service, access to care and other topics of mutual interest.

Lunch will be provided today at a local restaurant like Sufra with delightful traditional dishes.

***Accompanying Guests:** Today guests will enjoy a visit to the Royal Society for Conservation of Nature (Wild Jordan), with a quick explanation on reserves throughout Jordan and for those interested to pop into their gift shop. Pass through shops and the old downtown and reach to the most famous “Hashem” Restaurant. Of all foods, the varieties here cater to the poor, the middle class and up to the highly famous & rich. Head next to the gold market before visiting the Hussaini Mosque. Walk onward passing through the vegetable market before reaching the Nymphaeum & then onto the Roman Theatre. The visit of the Theatre will also include the Folklore Museum. Finish the day up at the Citadel. After lunch visit St. George Church: The Madaba to see the mosaic map that covers the floor. Head on the finish up your day with a visit to Mount Nebo, one of the most revered holy sites in Jordan and the place where Moses was buried. A small Byzantine church was built there by early Christians, which has been expanded into a vast complex*

Enjoy a farewell dinner this evening.

**Overnight: Landmark Hotel (or similar)**

**Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**

📍 Amman

### DAY 11, Tuesday, October 17

After breakfast say farewell to Jordan and fly back to the U.S., with arrival the same day.



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📍 Tel Aviv, Israel

### Tal Hotel

287 Hayarkon Street, Tel Aviv, Israel

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<https://www.atlas.co.il/tal-hotel-tel-aviv>



📍 Nazareth, Israel

### Ramada Nazareth

Derekh ha-Tsiyonut 29, Nazareth, Israel

Telephone: +972 4-887-8888

<https://en.ramadanazareth.com/>



📍 Jerusalem, Israel

### Harmony Hotel

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📍 Dead Sea, Jordan

### Dead Sea Spa Hotel

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Sweimeh 18168, Jordan

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📍 Petra, Jordan

### Petra Canyon Hotel

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Wadi Musa, Jordan

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📍 Amman, Jordan

### Landmark Hotel

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