



Christ Church and Guesthouses, Old City, Jerusalem



Patriarchs, Prophets, High Priest and Coming King

A Shores Study Tours Itinerary | November 14-28, 2021

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People from many nations will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of Jacob's God. There he will teach us his ways, and we will walk in his paths." For the Lord's teaching will go out from Zion; his word will go out from Jerusalem.

– Micah 4:2, NLT

We will travel through the land, from coast to desert to mountains, to visit the places where important Biblical events took place, and dig deep into the Scriptures in their original context to learn about God's faithfulness to His people, in the past, present, and future. Our tour includes sites from the Old and New Testaments as well as the history of modern Israel. In addition, we will learn about God's work amongst believers in the land today. Jesus will always be the center of our studies, as we seek a better understanding of His ministry, His place among the Jewish people, and the application of His teachings in our lives.

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Rev. Sharon – Garden Tomb

Itinerary

Day 1/2: Sunday/Monday 14/15 November, 2021

Travel from Canada to Israel, (AC Connection via Toronto)

Day 3: Monday, November 15, 2021

Morning Arrival (10:00) in Israel – Light to the Nations

We arrive at Ben Gurion Airport near **Tel Aviv**, where we will be met by our guide and bus driver for the trip. Time permitting, we begin our day at **Beit Immanuel**, where we will hear about CMJ's ministry to the Jewish people over the past 160 years. Next we will visit the ancient port of **Jaffa**, the location of Simon the Tanner's house and the point from which Jonah tried to escape his calling to the people of Ninevah. From here we will travel in the steps of the Patriarchs to the southern desert region called the **Negev** in the Bible, a name it still carries today. We will arrive at our hotel in Beersheva in southern Israel. After dinner we will have a brief meeting for introductions, some orientation, and prayer. (D)

Overnight: Leonardo Hotel, Beersheva

Day 4: Tuesday, November 16

The Lives of the Patriarchs

We begin our journey discussing God's covenants with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob at our first site, **Tel Beersheva**, one of the most impressive and ancient fortified cities of the Kingdom of Judah. From here we will travel to a Bedouin site where we will have the opportunity to ride camels! Our last stop will be the **Fountain of Tears** created by a Canadian by the name of Rick Wienecke. This sculpture explores the relationship between Jesus and the victims of the Holocaust. We conclude our day travelling through the **Judean Desert** to our spa hotel on the **Dead Sea**, where we can enjoy a float in the therapeutic mineral rich waters. (B, D)

Overnight: David Hotel, Dead Sea

Day 5: Wednesday, November 17

The Judean Desert & Jordan Valley—Seeking Refuge in the Wilderness

We travel early along the shores of the Dead Sea to **Masada**, the most impressive desert palace-fortress built by Herod the Great. In the course of visiting the site we will consider the man Herod and how his personality casts its shadow through the New Testament. Masada is also famous as the last stronghold of the Zealot resistance against Rome. We will discuss their theology and its relevance to our understanding of Jesus' teaching. From Masada we drive north to the beautiful subtropical oasis of **Ein Gedi**, where David hid from Saul. Depending on conditions, we can walk into the nature reserve and possibly to the waterfalls. We may see some wildlife, including the furry rock badger and the graceful ibex. We will also discuss the temptation of Jesus in the Wilderness. We will then visit **Qumran**, likely the home of the Essenes, a First Century Jewish sect which may have influenced early Christianity, and the site of the most exciting archaeological discovery ever made in Israel – the Dead Sea Scrolls. Later in the day we will travel north up the spectacular **Syrian African Rift Valley**. At the end of the day, we will arrive at our hotel on the shores of the **Sea of Galilee**. (B, D)

Overnight: Nof Ginosar, Sea of Galilee

Day 6: Thursday, November 18

The Sea of Galilee – Daily Life and Religion in the Time of Jesus

Our day will be spent visiting various sites around the Sea of Galilee as we try to picture daily life and religion in the First Century, and seek to better understand the miracles and teachings of Jesus in His original Jewish context. We will start the day at the **Mount of Beatitudes**, the traditional site of the Sermon on the Mount, where we will consider the Kingdom of God in Jesus' teachings. After a short walk or drive down the hill we will arrive at **Capernaum**, the town where Jesus lived during the majority of His ministry. At **Tabgha**, which commemorates the multiplication of loaves and fish, and where Jesus met the disciples after the resurrection, we will enjoy a contemplative time on the shore of the Lake. After lunch we will go to **Magdala** which is located next to an ancient crossroads and where archaeologists found the remains of a first century synagogue. Later in the afternoon we will visit Kibbutz Ginosar to see the **"Jesus Boat"**, a Galilean fishing boat from the First Century. From here we will set sail for a **boat ride on the Lake** to enjoy the views and some worship, prayer and reflective time. (B, D)

Overnight: Nof Ginosar, Sea of Galilee

Day 7: Friday, November 19

Northern Israel – "Who Do Men Say That I Am?"

Today we explore Northern Israel, one of the most beautiful regions of the country. We will seek to understand what the Jewish people of 2,000 years ago expected of the Messiah, and how that was fulfilled in Jesus. We begin by climbing up to the magnificent **Golan Heights**. In the morning we will visit a reconstructed Talmudic village at **Katzrin**, where we will take another close look at life in New Testament times and the use of everyday imagery in Scripture. Next we will travel along the lower slopes of **Mount Hermon** - Israel's highest mountain, and the most likely site of the Transfiguration. Next stop is **Caesarea Philippi**, the region where Peter made his famous confession that Jesus is the Messiah. We will pass **Druze Villages** before coming to Mt. Bental, a lookout spot near the border with Syria and the area of the **road to Damascus** where the Apostle Paul met the Lord. Our final stop is the **Dan Nature Reserve**, where we see the incredible archaeological remains of the **OT city of Dan**, including the city gate from the time of Abraham, and consider ancient Israel's apostasy. We will also enjoy a pleasant walk by a stream and discuss the meaning of "living water" in the Hebrew Scriptures and Jesus' teaching. (B, D).

Overnight: Nof Ginosar, Sea of Galilee

Day 8: Saturday, November 20

Light to the Nations – Jews, Gentiles, and the Messiah

Today we travel west and then down the coast, visiting a number of Biblical sites that testify to God's faithfulness to His word, past, present, and future. We continue along the route of the ancient **Via Maris** to **Megiddo**, one of King Solomon's cities and by some believed to be the location of the Armageddon where the last battle will take place. We then travel up the coast to **Mount Carmel**, with a spectacular view over the North of Israel, near the spot where Elijah confronted the prophets of Baal. We complete our day at the fabulous ruins of the Herodian city of **Caesarea Maritima**, the site of the conversion of Cornelius and the location from which Paul left the shores of Israel and set sail on his journey to Rome. (B, D)

Overnight: Seasons Hotel, Netanya, Mediterranean Sea

Day 9: Sunday, November 21

Samaria: Ancient Israel

Today we journey into the northern homeland of the Patriarchs, of the Israelites under Joshua, and later the breakaway Kingdom of Israel. Sites visited will likely include **Shiloh, Mt. Gerezim, Mt. Kabir**, and an overview of **Bethel**. We will focus on our roots in the Old Testament, which are vital to our understanding of the New Testament. Next we will have a tour of a local winery and a chance to taste the wine if we choose. In the late afternoon we will enter **Jerusalem**, the City of the Great King. After dinner we will be treated to a short stroll for a **rooftop panorama of the Old City** and talk with the Director of Shoresh Study Tours. (B, D)

Overnight: Christ Church Guesthouse, Old City Jerusalem

Day 10: Monday, November 22

Jerusalem in the Time of Jesus – The Temple at the Center

Today will be devoted to learning about Jerusalem in Jesus' day, when the Temple in Jerusalem was the center of Jewish life. We will study how worship was performed in the temple, the Sadducees and Jesus' attitude towards them, and generally enrich our insight into many important events in the gospels and book of Acts. An early start will take us up to the **Temple Mount**, where we'll consider some of Jesus' activities there, as well as the claims of Islam. After a visit to the **Western Wall** place of prayer, Judaism's most holy site, we will take a trip to the subterranean **Western Wall Tunnels** to walk at what was street level in the time of Jesus. We complete our day at the excavations near the base of the Temple Mount and discuss Pentecost on the **Southern Steps** where Jesus walked. (B, D)

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Day 11: Tuesday, November 23

Free Day in Jerusalem

Today is free for rest, reflection, shopping, or for the energetic, perhaps a walk on the walls of the Old City. *Shoresh Tours will provide a list of interesting options for those who want to explore on their own.*

This evening we will expand our understanding of the role of the Lamb of God by celebrating a **Jewish Passover Seder** meal together, making Biblical connections to the "last supper" that Jesus shared with his disciples. (B, D)

Overnight: Christ Church Guesthouse, Old City Jerusalem

Day 12: Wednesday, November 24

The Hope of Restoration & to the Ends of the Earth

This morning, we will enjoy a tour of the **Christ Church Heritage Centre** to learn about CMJ's 200-year history of ministry to the Jewish people and the miraculous restoration of the Jewish people to the Land of Israel. We will then spend the rest of the morning at the place where it all began – the **City of David**. Here we will learn about King David's conquest of the Jebusite city, and walk through **Hezekiah's Tunnel** to the **Pool of Siloam**. In the afternoon, we will visit the **Israel Museum** to see the Old City model and the Shrine of the Book showcasing the Dead Sea Scrolls.

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Day 13: Thursday, November 25

In the Steps of Jesus – Crucifixion, Death, Burial and Resurrection

Today we focus on sites related to the Biblical passages concerning Jesus' last week in Jerusalem. Our goal is to understand why He was crucified, how He was buried, and what it meant to the Jewish people of the First Century that He was raised from the dead. We begin our day with a panoramic overlook of Jerusalem from the **Mount of Olives**, the site of Jesus' ascension to heaven and His future second coming. After viewing a **tomb from the time of Jesus**, we will walk down the Mount of Olives to **Gethsemane**. Next we cross the **Kidron Valley** and enter the Old City through **Stephen's Gate**, stopping to examine the remains of the **Pool of Bethesda**. Depending on the group's interest, we may walk parts of the **Via Dolorosa**, stopping at several of the places mentioned in the Bible, and arrive at the **Church of the Holy Sepulchre**, the most likely site of the burial and resurrection of Jesus. We end our tour with a reflective time at a site that wonderfully illustrates Jesus' burial and resurrection, the peaceful **Garden Tomb**. (B, D)

Overnight: Christ Church Guesthouse, Old City Jerusalem (B, D)



Tour Group – Mount of Olives

Day 14: Friday, November 26

The Restoration of Hope – A Garland Instead of Ashes

Today we study both great tragedy and the wonder of the Lord's redemptive power. We will examine the systematic annihilation of six million Jews in the Nazi genocide, God coming to earth in the form of a man to save His people from their sins, and the loving witness of Christians committed to the Biblically prophesied physical restoration and spiritual rebirth of the Jewish people. We travel to **Yad VaShem**, the Israel Memorial Museum to the Holocaust. Here we examine the spiritual and theological roots of the most notorious genocide in history and the connection between the Church, Jesus and the Jewish people. From here we take the short drive to **Bethlehem**, where we will visit the Church of the Nativity, which marks the probable site of the birth of Jesus, and the "Shepherd's Fields" where the angels heralded the advent of Messiah. From here we will travel to our Retreat Center for the weekend at the lovely Ashdod on the beach of the Mediterranean Sea.

Overnight: Leonardo Hotel, Ashdod (B, D)

Day 15: Saturday, November 27

Retreat Day

Today we will reflect & rest; teaching.

Overnight: Leonardo Hotel, Ashdod (B, D)

Day 16: Sunday, November 28

This morning we say goodbye to Israel as we make an early start to the airport to catch our flights home via Toronto, arriving home the same day.

Tour Price* (Canadian Dollars):

Tour Package Price – Sharing	\$ 5,481
Land Only Price – Sharing	\$ 4,333
Single Supplement	\$ 1,404

Additional 4% charge for credit card payments.

* Prices based on a minimum of 20 tour participants. A larger group will result in a decrease in price at time of final payment. Fluctuations in the foreign exchange rates can result in a price increase or decrease, adjusted at time of final payment.

Tour Package Includes:

- Airfare: Toronto – Tel Aviv return (in flight service)
Add-on fares are available from other Canadian cities
- Accommodation: Tourist class en suite, shared twin rooms, taxes and portorage
- Transportation: Bus and driver for touring, group transfers to and from airport
- Meals: Breakfast (B) and Dinner (D)
- Guide: Licensed Christian/Messianic guide
- Tips: Driver, Guide, Hotels
- Entrance fees: Historical sites, museums, parks, etc.
- Study Materials

Not Included:

- Out of country medical insurance (mandatory); cancellation insurance (recommended). Ensure COVID is included in your medical insurance. Contact The Travel Desk for a quote.
- 13 lunches (L) and snacks (approximately \$20 CAD per day)
- Individual activities on free days
- Transfers to and from the airport apart from the main group
- Discretionary gift for guide and driver
- Personal discretionary spending

Please Note:

- Itinerary and accommodations subject to change if weather or other conditions necessitate.
- Some days involve a significant amount of walking and/or steep climbing. Many sites are unpaved. Every effort will be made to enable all tour members to fully participate at every site, but in some cases that may not be possible.

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Your Tour Hosts

Melodie Greyeyes & Gavin Howell



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Old City - Jerusalem

TOUR FEATURES & CONDITIONS

Read all Tour Features and Conditions carefully. Payment of tour deposit constitutes acceptance of these conditions. Prices are in Canadian dollars, unless stated otherwise.

Air Transportation: Air transportation is restricted to the services of any IATA carrier in economy class based on nonrefundable fare.

Travelers are responsible to provide their names as they appear in their passport. Ticketing will be made 30-45 days prior to departure, after which there will be a charge for name corrections. Tour price includes current airline taxes and fuel surcharges, which are subject to change until ticketed. Tour participants are responsible for any increase in airline taxes or fuel surcharges imposed by the airline.

Seat Assignments: Group seats are assigned at the airline's discretion. Please advise your travel consultant of any special seating needs due to health or mobility.

Accommodations: Based on two persons sharing a room in accommodations listed in itinerary, or similar. Single rooms are subject to availability at an additional charge. If a passenger cannot supply a roommate, the passenger is responsible for the additional charge.

Meals: In-flight meals and snacks are served according to airline policy. Personal preferences are not guaranteed with group fares. Breakfast and dinner will be provided daily during land portion.

Transfers & Baggage: Group transfers between airports and hotels upon arrival and departure are included in the tour price, including handling of one medium-sized suitcase per person not exceeding 158 linear (length plus width plus height) cm (62 linear in.) or weighing more than a maximum of 23 kg (50 lb.). Due to limited luggage storage space on motor coaches, it is important that each person bring only ONE piece of checked baggage. In addition, a flight bag or overnight case may be taken, which must be handled by the passenger at all times. Baggage allowance is subject to change according to airline policy.

Sightseeing & Entrance Fees: Are included as indicated in itinerary, using private motor coach or other conveyance, with local guides where necessary.

Tips & Taxes: Service charges and taxes on accommodations and tips to guides, drivers, and hotel staff are included. Tips for lunches and personal services are not included.

Not Included: Lunches and lunch tips, beverages with dinners, passport fee, travel protection insurance, checked baggage fees, and expenses of a purely personal nature are not included. Transportation from your home to departure city and return is not included.

Deposit & Payment: Reservations can be secured with a deposit of CAD\$500 per person (\$520 by credit card) by **July 14, 2021**. You will be invoiced for the final payment, which is due **September 8, 2021**.

The Travel Desk Cancellation Conditions: The cancellation conditions outlined below apply to all passenger initiated cancellations. Should circumstances require that the passenger cancel, written notice of cancellation must be received by The Travel Desk a minimum of 90 days prior to departure to secure refund of deposit. All pricing is in Canadian dollars.

- From date of deposit to and including July 14, 2021: \$100 per person service fee applies (see exception*).
- From July 15 up to and including August 13, 2021: \$300 per person plus any unrecoverable fees apply.
- After **August 13, 2021**: No refund.

Cancellation policies apply when cancellation occurs for any reason. No refund for any unused services or portion of the tour package.

***Exception:** If the tour is cancelled by the tour host, due to government COVID restrictions or otherwise, a \$25/person service fee will apply.

If there would ever be a serious security situation or war, where the traveler's government issues an advisory against all but essential travel to Israel, CMJ Canada/The Travel Desk would refund the Land Only Tour Cost minus USD\$300 per person administration fee.

Protect Your Investment: Medical insurance is mandatory and trip cancellation insurance is recommended. Call Alison at The Travel Desk 780-968-1173 or (toll-free): 1-877-674-1689, for your personalized insurance quote.

Passport, Visa, & Health Requirements: A passport valid until May 28, 2022 is required. If you do not have a passport, you should apply for one immediately. Information on obtaining or renewing a Canadian passport can be found at <http://www.ppt.gc.ca/info/index.aspx?lang=eng>. A visa is not required for Canadian citizens. Non-Canadian citizens are responsible to fulfill entry requirements for countries to be visited by contacting the appropriate consulates. Inoculations are not required at this time; please reconfirm & check with your physician for his or her recommendation.

Rates & Fares Information: Rates are based on a minimum of 20 persons travelling together. Additional tour participants may result in a decrease in price. The quoted tour price is based on the current rate of exchange as of April 1, 2021. Fluctuations in the foreign exchange rates can result in a price increase or decrease, adjusted at time of final payment.

Deviations: Individuals making a change in travel arrangements apart from this group program will be charged a service fee of \$100 per person, plus any additional air or land costs incurred. If you choose to make your own travel arrangements (not through The Travel Desk), we are not responsible for any charges or cancellation fees you may incur at any time. The Travel Desk and Shores Tours must be advised of your itinerary.

Tour Operator Itinerary Changes: The itinerary as outlined is an indication of sequence and sites to be included in the tour program. The tour operator reserves the right to alter or change the itinerary and/or the sites included should it be deemed necessary due to local conditions, time restrictions, or other circumstances.

Traveler Safety: In the ever-changing world situation, The Travel Desk recommends personal monitoring of news about your destination. For the latest country information from the Government of Canada, visit <http://travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories/>.

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Israel Study Tour Reservation and Deposit Form

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Questions? Contact Melodie at 1-780-991-6800 or director@cmjcanada.ca

*Space is limited and reflects group rates. \$500 deposit per person is due by **July 14, 2021***

To make a reservation, forward: 1) this completed form, 2) a clear photocopy of the photo and signature page of your passport, and 3) a deposit of \$500 per person to:

Melodie Greeyes: 42-1316 Twp Rd 533, Parkland County, AB T7Y 0G2 or email: director@cmjcanada.ca

Enclosed is my/our deposit cheque of \$ _____ (\$500 CAD per person - payable to **The Travel Desk**)
or

E-transfer: alison@thetraveldesk.ca, (Note: CMJ Israel Tour) made _____ (Date)

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Name 1 (as it appears on passport):

Name 2 (as it appears on passport):

Preferred name on name badge:

Preferred name on name badge:

Address: _____

City, Province, Postal Code: _____

Phone (Evening): _____

Phone (Day): _____

Email: _____

Email: _____

Birthdate: _____

Birthdate: _____

Passport Copies: Please provide a clear photocopy of the photo and signature page of your passport. This is required for all international tours. Passport must not expire before May 28, 2022.

Room Type: Single Twin/Double/Triple (circle choice) Rooming with: _____

Please apply deposit to: Land only Land & Air I need add on air to Toronto from: _____

Travel Insurance – Check One:

- I/we wish to be covered by out-of-country medical and travel cancellation insurance through The Travel Desk. Contact Alison at The Travel Desk for a quotation. 780-968-1173, 1-877-674-1689
- I/we will obtain medical travel and cancellation insurance independently.

I have read the Tour Features and Conditions for this tour and agree to the terms listed therein.

Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

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