Jesus in the Galilee and Jerusalem 2011
10 Days of Biblical Discovery
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- Via Dolorosa

Join Central Florida Presbytery
depart October 31, 2011
from Newark for only $2148* - from Orlando for only $2298*

*Savings included: tips, taxes, etc.

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Day 1 Afternoon departure from Newark, New Jersey to the Holy Land.

Day 2 Arrive in Tel Aviv. On the way to the Galilee, visit Caesarea, Herod the Great's Roman capital, and see the theater, Herod's palace, and the ancient Roman aqueduct. Continuing to Tiberias, visit Mt. Carmel, where Elijah confronted the prophets of Baal (1 Kings 18). Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee.

Day 3 Visit Sepphoris, the cosmopolitan Roman capital of Galilee under Herod Antipas, constructed as Jesus was growing up in nearby Nazareth. See Nazareth Village, a living presentation of the life, times, and teachings of Jesus of Nazareth. Visit the Mount of Precipice where Luke describes how Jesus was taken by those in the Nazareth synagogue "to the brow of the hill where their city was built, in order to throw him down the cliff." (Luke 4:29). Travel to Mount Arbel and walk along its peak for a stunning view of the Sea of Galilee and the Evangelical Triangle where Jesus ministered, or walk on the Via Maris at the base of Arbel, the Roman road often taken by Jesus.

Day 4 Travel to the northern border of Israel, to Tel Dan. See the beautiful nature park, the ancient walled city, the mud brick city gates constructed by the Canaanites and visited by Abraham, and the high place where Jeroboam built an altar with a golden calf to rival Jerusalem's temple (1 Kings 12:25-30). Visit Caesarea Philippi, where Jesus traveled with His disciples and Peter made his great confession to Jesus, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matt. 16:16). Visit the slopes of Mount Hermon, probable site of the Lord's Transfiguration (Matt. 17:1-9), and view the Syrian valley where Paul met Jesus on the road to Damascus. Returning to Tiberias, visit Bethsaida, with the original streets and homes of Jesus' day, where the Apostles Peter, Andrew, and Philip grew up.

Day 5 Visit the Mount of Beatitudes which overlooks the Sea of Galilee. On this hill, Jesus preached the Sermon on the Mount, and went apart for prayer. Stand on the beach where Jesus met the disciples after the resurrection, forgiving and restoring Peter as a shepherd leader of the church. Explore Capernaum, Jesus' adopted town after leaving Nazareth. Visit the synagogue which stands on the site where Jesus taught. Recall His teaching, preaching and miracles which proclaimed the gospel of the Kingdom (Matt. 4:13,23). Travel to the "other side" of the sea, to Kursi, where Jesus cast out evil spirits from a demon-possessed man and sent them into a group of swine which ran violently down a steep hill and drowned in the sea (Mark 5:1-13). Visit Kibbutz Ein Gev, where St. Peter's fish is served. Return to the Galilee, to Chorazim, and discover the meaning of "In my Father's house..." (John 14:2-3) and see the Moses seat in the synagogue (Matthew 23:2-3). At Kibbutz Nof Ginnosar, see the restored first century boat like the one Jesus and the disciples would have used. Cruise on the Sea of Galilee and reflect on the story of Peter getting out of the boat to come to Jesus. (Matthew 14:22-33)

Day 6 Begin at the Yardenit Baptismal Site, situated where the Jordan River flows out of the Sea of Galilee on its way to the Dead Sea, and participate in a renewal of baptism service, recalling when Christ was baptized by John the Baptist (Mark 1:9-11). Travel the ancient caravan route to Tel Megiddo, overlooking the Valley of Armageddon (Revelation 16:16). In this amazing tell, 20 different cities are layered upon each other. See Solomon's chariot stables and walk through the water tunnel built to protect the city during siege. See the ancient tel of Beit Shean where the bodies of Saul and his sons were displayed on its walls after they died on Mt. Gilboa (1 Sam. 31:10,12). Walk through the amazing ruins of Roman Beit Shean, one of the cities of the Decapolis, and a large and active archeological site. Sit in the best preserved Roman theater in Israel with its outstanding acoustics.

Day 7 Transfer to Jerusalem via the Jordan River Valley route often taken by Jesus and other Galileans headed to Jerusalem. Visit Jericho, the lowest city on earth, and see the ancient Tel Jericho, Elia's Spring, and the Mount of Temptations. Explore Qumran, overlooking the Dead Sea where the Dead Sea scrolls were discovered in 1947, and learn about the Essene community there. On the way to Jerusalem, pass by Bethany where Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, and take the Palm Sunday journey down the Mt. of Olives, where crowds greeted Jesus with palm branches and where Jesus wept over Jerusalem. Enter the Garden of Gethsemane, where Jesus went to pray after the Last Supper, and was arrested (Matthew 26:36-56).

Day 8 Travel to Bethlehem, passing through the "Wall" separating Israel/Palestinian Authority territory. Visit the cave where Jesus was born, located under the Church of the Nativity, built in 325 AD by Emperor Constantine (Matt. 1:18-25; Luke 2:1-7). Nearby, view the Shepherds' Field where the Good News was first proclaimed. Experience some of the issues dividing Israel and Palestine. Return to Jerusalem's Old City, visiting the Southern Wall Excavations including the Teaching Steps leading up to the Temple, where Jesus taught during Holy Week, and Peter preached at Pentecost (Acts 2). Spend time at the Western or "Wailing" Wall, a section of Herod's Temple Mount retaining wall adjacent to the former Holy of Holies.

Day 9 On Mount Zion, visit St. Peter's Church in Gallicantu, built over the ruins of the house of Caiaphas, the high priest, where Jesus was tried (Luke 22:54-71). See the dungeon where Jesus was beaten and imprisoned and the courtyard where Peter betrayed his Lord. Entering St. Stephen's Gate to the Old City, view the Pool of Bethesda (John 5:1-31) where Jesus performed the Sabbath miracle, and enter the Crusader Church of St. Anne, with its exceptional acoustics. Visit Herod's Antonia Fortress where Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate (Luke 23:1-11). Walk the Via Dolorosa, the "Way of the Cross", ending at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Visit the Jewish Quarter and Muslim Quarter Bazaar on the way to the Garden Tomb. See the place of the skull and enter the empty tomb, followed by celebrating communion, with gratitude for the power of the Cross and the reality of the Resurrection.

Day 10 Return to the USA November 9, or begin an additional two day Jerusalem stay.
Information from Tour Director/Lecturer: Dr. Larry Selig

There are two ways to visit the Holy Land. Some visit as TOURISTS. They come to see the sites, take pictures, buy souvenirs, and then go home to share their adventures. Others come as PILGRIMS, and their lives are transformed in the process. TOURISTS visit places as spectators, but PILGRIMS come as participants. Over the last 33 years, I have taken many people to the Holy Land. It has been wonderful to observe them encountering the Living Lord in His Land!

If this appeal to you, I invite you to join Central Florida Presbytery October 31, 2011 as you depart for the Holy Land. The 10 day basic trip described in this brochure covers most of the places where Jesus lived and ministered. If you can stay for 2 additional days, there are several options to choose: shopping in the Old City of Jerusalem; or visiting the Dead Sea, Masada, the Holocaust Memorial, the Israel Museum with the Dead Sea Scrolls and the model of 1st Century Jerusalem.

As you follow the footsteps of Jesus in the Galilee and Jerusalem, you will not only visit Biblical sites, but also read relevant passages of the Bible on location. A tour guide will share historical background as you learn how each location gives deeper insight into the Bible. There will be opportunity to celebrate the Lord’s Supper and renew your baptism vows at the Jordan River. Educational lectures will provide background about the Holy Land and the daily sites being visited.

Interested? You can return the registration form on the back page by mail or online to Educational Opportunities with the deposit. Note the incentives for early registration. EO will provide first class transportation, buses, guides and hotels, all at very reasonable cost. The basic tour returns November 9. Those who are staying the 2 extra days must check the “2 day Jerusalem stay” box on the registration form. PLEASE NOTE: This entire trip is physically challenging, and not handicapped accessible. Those going must be in excellent physical condition!

Is it safe in the Holy Land? You are as safe or safer in the Holy Land as you would be in our major American cities. Security on flights to and from Israel is the strictest in the world. In the last 30 years, there have been no major incidents I am aware of affecting those staying with their tour groups. Every precaution is taken both by Israelis and Palestinians to protect tourists, one of their major sources of income. Tour groups from the USA are visiting the Holy Land safely every week, in spite of the perception of danger seen on TV. There are areas, of course, which we know we must avoid. That’s true in our own cities as well. More information on safety is available from Educational Opportunities. We hope that you will seriously consider joining us for this journey of a lifetime.

For further information, contact Central Florida Presbytery coordinator:
The Rev. Frank Kinney (frankk1943@yahoo.com, 407-951-3810)

About Dr. Selig: A graduate of Dartmouth College, Princeton Seminary and Luther Seminary (D.Min.), Larry served Presbyterian churches in W. Hartford, CT, Saranac Lake, NY, Willmar, MN, and Pittsburgh, PA, taking early retirement in 1998 to work with churches and seminaries in Brazil and elsewhere throughout the USA and Canada. He has guided groups and lectured in Israel since 1976. He and his wife Ida now live in Winter Springs, FL near their two children and eight grandchildren. Their son-in-law, the Rev. Bryan Wenger, was a member of Central Florida Presbytery until moving to the Indian River Presbyterian Church, Ft. Pierce, FL.

Jerusalem 2-day extended stay, $248: Your extended stay costs include hotel as well as buffet breakfasts and dinners. Some modest costs for travel and entrance fees will be needed in Jerusalem, depending on your optional choices. Return to the USA on Friday morning, November 11.

The chart above reflects pricing and not flight routings.

If you depart from a different city than your group, or take an extension, you may fly on a different scheduled flight. Prices are based on 10 or more travelling from a domestic city and are subject to change without notice.
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INCLUDED IN PRICE: Roundtrip Airfare, Deluxe Motorcoaches, First Class Hotels, Guided Sightseeing, Entrance fees to sites visited, Breakfast and Dinner daily.

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE: Will appear on your invoice:
1) Gratuities: $59 Basic Trip, $39 for Extended Tours.
2) Taxes, Facilities Charge and Security Fees, Deposit, Immigration and Customs Fees: $395 Non-refundable Administrative Fee.
3) Optional Travel Protection Program (see box); 2) Extensions and Optional Sightseeing as listed in the brochure; 3)Miscellaneous fees such as Individual Transfers; Passports, Laundry, Beverages, Excess Baggage and items of Personal Nature (which may be imposed by airlines and other suppliers. If applicable, fuel surcharge will be paid by the passenger; 5) Voluntary “Love Offering” for Guide and Driver. 6) Any increase in taxes and/or fees imposed after the printing of this brochure;
7) $100 Document fee for non-US and non-Canadian residents.

PAYMENT: A full deposit of $300 per person is required. Final payment for trip, including optional travel protection premium if applicable, is due 60 days prior to departure. Thereafter, a late fee payment of $100 will be assessed. EOT reserves the right to add a surcharge if the dollar declines by more than 5% against the Israeli Shekel based on foreign exchange rates in effect on MAY 1, 2010.

Savings: Early registration discounts are not available to Hosts/Co-Hosts and are deducted from the balance of your bill. An additional $44 for each month rebate that full payment is received via check, credit card or electronic deposit.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Price is based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. While EOT will try to match roommates, EOT cannot guarantee a roommate will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 35 days prior to departure and, if not available or you request a single room, the following charges apply: $498 during the week; $718 for Jerusalem Extended Stay.

ITINERARY CHANGES: If itinerary changes necessitate extra overnight stays, you will be charged $90 per night; single rooms $150 per night. Meals for extra nights are not included.

CANCELLATION FEE: 100% of Cancellation Fee are covered by the optional Travel Protection Program provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is insurable. Those who do not take travel protection coverage can deduct their paid premium from your paid deposit.

TRAVEL REGISTRATION FORM

Travel Registration Form

Legal Name: ____________________________
Title: ____________________________
Street Address: ____________________________
PO Box: ____________________________
Home Phone: ____________________________
Work Phone: ____________________________
Church: ____________________________
Email Address: ____________________________

Phone: ____________________________
Relationship: ____________________________

Please try to match me with a Roommate: 

I want a single room (availability limited)

Travel Protection Plan:

✓ We Accept the Travel Protection Program
✓ We Decline the Travel Protection Program

Important Information Regarding the Travel Protection Program:

1) Travel Protection coverage cannot be added after you have paid in full.
2) Premium is based on TOTAL cost of trip and is non-refundable.
3) Coverage begins when your premium payment is received by EOT (made separately from deposit & clearly designated as your travel protection premium)

Register Me/Us For:

✓ Basic Program ONLY
✓ Basic Program PLUS 2-Day Jerusalem Stay

Scholarships:

Eligible to receive a clergy scholarship:

✓ $500 for full or part-time ordained clergy, retired clergy, commissioned lay pastors, certified Christian educators

✓ $400 for spouses of the above:

Note: Only host couples listed (and accompanying spouses are eligible). Early retirement scholarships are not applicable for these hosts or spouses. $300 per person deposit required.

PAYMENT:

✓ check - Payable to Educational Opportunities Tours

✓ via credit card - You must register at www.eo.travelwithus.com

Full Deposit of $300 per person Required

PASSPORT INFORMATION REQUIRED 105 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE

Signature:

Signature:

minors require parent or guardian signature

Enrollment in and payment of deposit constitute your acceptance of the "Fire Point". Educational Opportunities Tours is the tour operator and is solely responsible for the travel program. Educational Opportunities Tours is registered with the State of Florida as a Seller of Travel Registration No: 872410-37

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