

## Terms & Conditions

### RESERVATIONS

A \$300.00 deposit (check payable to "Pilgrim Tours") and a completed reservation form are required by December 2, 2016 to secure a reservation for your tour. Confirmation of your reservation will be sent upon our receipt of your deposit. Reservations can be sent to: PO Box 268, Morgantown, PA 19543 and will be received up to January 14, 2017.

### FINAL PAYMENT

Final payment for all tours is due January 14, 2017. Airline fuel increases are the responsibility of the client at any time of occurrence. Payment can be made by check, Visa or MasterCard. Payments not received on time can result in reservation cancellation without refund.

\*Additional bookings after the final payment deadline may result in additional administrative fees. Fee amounts imposed are at the discretion of Pilgrim Tours & Travel.

### INCLUDED

Roundtrip air from Minneapolis including air taxes, 8 nights lodging at four star Israel hotels, breakfast and dinner daily at hotel, full time professional English speaking tour guide, all entrances as appear on itinerary, baggage handling at hotels (1 Bag), tips to guides, drivers and hotel staff, transportation in deluxe air conditioned motor coaches.

### NOT INCLUDED

All lunches, optional travel insurance, optional credit card payments (additional 3% of total bill).

**Please Note:** We do not have the ability to assign seating for flights. Seat assignments will be done at airport check in. All taxes, fuel charges and security fees are subject to change based on the ticketing date.

### CANCELLATION

Cancellation in writing must be received by Pilgrim Tours for appropriate refund minus the following fees and any nonrefundable services purchased. Air penalties are not part of the percentages below and vary based on the airline policy.

- Dec. 14th + Days Prior: \$100 processing fee
  - Dec. 15th - Jan. 12th: Deposit Amount of \$300 per person lost
  - Jan. 13th - Jan. 27th: 40% of tour cost lost
  - Jan. 28th - Feb. 11th: 65% of tour cost lost
  - Feb. 12th - Mar. 6th: 85% of tour cost lost
  - Mar. 7th or less: 100% of tour cost lost
- Travel insurance is non-refundable.

### PRICING

Quoted tour prices include planning, handling and operational charges and are based on the current rate of exchange and tariffs. In the event of a marked change in foreign exchange rates, fuel costs or tariff rates, tour costs are subject to revision. Such increases will be added to the client's final billing. Pilgrim Tours reserves the right to vary itineraries and prices, and to substitute facilities and hotels of equal or better quality if necessary.

### DEPARTURE TAXES, SECURITY FEES, FUEL CHARGES, BAGGAGE FEES

When purchasing air transportation from Pilgrim Tours, various taxes, fuel charges, and airport fees are included in the air ticket expense. Such fees may be subject to increase by governments and/or airlines and will be the responsibility of the client at any time. Baggage weight, size restrictions and fees may change and are the responsibility of the client.

### AIR TRANSPORTATION

If needed, Pilgrim Tours will arrange for the best-priced airfare available at the time of booking. Passengers wishing to cancel or change their air reservation may be subject to cancellation penalties. Airfares quoted by Pilgrim are promotional fares and cannot be combined with other promotional offers. Airlines involved in tours are not responsible for any act, omission or event

during the time passengers are not on board their planes or conveyances. Pilgrim Tours is not responsible for unforeseen flight delays, charges due to changes required during political unrest, or schedule changes imposed by the airlines. Air schedules may be subject to change at the discretion of the airline. **Please Note:** We do not have the ability to assign seating for flights with a group airfare contract. Seat assignments will be done at airport check in.

### AIRLINE SECURITY

It is the passenger's responsibility to provide valid identification in the form of a passport or other required identification at the time of airport check-in.

### TOUR MEMBERSHIP

Tour membership is available to all travelers and will not be withheld if the tour operator can furnish the requirements that an individual may need. Because most of our Retail Tour sightseeing schedules require Tour Members to walk at a moderate pace, we cannot accept persons who need assistance. Should meeting these requirements materially add to the tour operator's cost, the Tour Member would be expected to pay these additional costs. The Tour Director retains the right to require non-mobile persons to stay behind when deemed necessary, and also terminate the membership of any member displaying disruptive behavior, endangering fellow members and/or interfering with the operations of the tour. Private group tours vary in regards to mobility standards.

### PROOF OF US CITIZENSHIP, PASSPORT, VISA & MINOR CHILDREN REQUIREMENTS

Minors traveling with either one parent or no parents must have a certified letter of permission from the parent or parents who is/are not traveling. This letter must be presented at airport check-in. All international tours require a current passport. Entrance to Israel requires your passport be valid for 6 months after your return date. Your passport number must be recorded by a Pilgrim Tours agent when making your reservation. Names on airline tickets must appear as shown on passport. Photocopies are not acceptable forms of identification. Non U.S. Citizens are responsible to fulfill appropriate entry requirements of the destination countries. Contact the local Consulate of the country or countries you intend to visit for information.

### RESPONSIBILITIES

These tour programs are operated by Pilgrim Tours and Travel, Inc., 3071 Main Street, Morgantown, Pennsylvania 19543. In common with other companies, Pilgrim acts only as an agent for tour members in arranging vacation services offered on this web site, including transportation, sightseeing, and accommodations through independent contractors. Air carriers, accommodations, and other suppliers (including but not limited to trains, cruises, ferries, motor coaches, hotels, tour guides and restaurants) providing services are independent contractors and are not agents, employees, servants, or joint ventures of the Company or its affiliates. All travel documents for services issued by the Company are subject to the Terms & Conditions specified by the supplier, which are available upon request, and to the laws of the countries in which the services are supplied. Pilgrim reserves the right in its sole discretion to make changes in the itinerary and is not responsible for expenses, loss of time, money or other incidents resulting from a change of tour scheduling made for tour members, including any rescheduling due to political unrest. Pilgrim is not responsible for any losses or damages of personal property, injuries, thefts or unforeseen expenses incurred by any tour member.

### TRAVEL INSURANCE - AVAILABLE FOR ALL PASSENGERS

Pilgrim Tours strongly suggests purchasing Trip Cancellation insurance. Be sure to check with your healthcare provider as most U.S. medical coverage will not cover you outside of the country. Insurance costs are based on the total tour cost, including air taxes and charges listed under "Not Included." These charges are added to the final billing. Approximate amounts can be given at time of reservation in order to purchase the appropriate amount of insurance.



# The Best of ISRAEL

10 Day Inspirational Tour • March 14 - 23, 2017



## ALLIANZ TRAVEL INSURANCE

Explore the World with **CONFIDENCE**



### PLAN COST PER PERSON

Enhanced Coverage: 6.5% of tour cost



### POLICY QUESTIONS

ALLIANZ representatives are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week Toll Free at 1.800.284.8300 and mention Pilgrim Tours - Horizon Plan.



### BENEFITS INCLUDED IN PLAN COST

Benefits Included	Amount of Coverage
Trip Cancellation/Interruption	Trip Cost
*Cancel For Any Reason	up to 80%
Trip Delay (\$200 Max per day)	\$1,000
Missed Connection	\$500
Baggage Loss/ Damage	\$1,500
Baggage Delay	\$500
Emergency Medical & Dental	\$50,000
Emergency Medical Transportation	\$1,000,000

\*Cancel for Any Reason coverage is available for 8.70% of trip cost and would refund passengers 80% of their trip cost. Cancel for Any Reason insurance must be purchased at or before Final Payment.

## St. Philip's Lutheran Church

Information and Reservations

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# THE BEST OF ISRAEL

March 14 – 23, 2017

*The itinerary may be subject to change while touring for the best interest of the group.*

## Day 1: Departure

Today we embark on our Journey to the Holy Land. Prepare yourself for a life-changing experience. Get some rest on the flight...tomorrow you will be walking where Jesus walked!

## Day 2: Arrive Israel

Arrive in Israel and travel northward to our hotel for one night in the coastal area near Tel Aviv. The remainder of the day is free to walk along the Mediterranean, relax, and have dinner. The time is right for a personal devotional with the sunset over the "Great Sea." Meet your Israeli guide, enjoy a time of prayer of thanks for safety and the special blessings ahead, a prayer for the people of the "Promised Land", and a good night's rest.

## Day 3: Caesarea, Megiddo & Nazareth

After breakfast, we travel by private motor coach along the coast of the Mediterranean Sea to Caesarea, where Gentiles first heard the Good News from Peter and were baptized. We'll see the Roman Amphitheatre, hippodrome, a film on history and the remains of this famous port city, and aqueduct, and then journey on to Mt. Carmel, where Elijah challenged King Ahab and the prophets of Baal. Next we travel through the Jezreel Valley to Megiddo, the Armageddon Battlefield, where archaeologists have unearthed 20

levels of civilization. We drive through the area of Cana and Nazareth, the boyhood home of Jesus, where we visit the Nazareth Village - a wonderful recreation of Biblical times with costumed guides. We will have dinner and overnight lodging for the next two nights in the Tiberias area on the Sea of Galilee.

## Day 4: Capernaum, Dan, Caesarea Philippi & Mount of Beatitudes

Following breakfast, our morning travels take us to two valuable northern sites. Dan is where the children of Israel fell to the depths of pagan worship and Caesarea Philippi, the site of Peter's Confession. In Capernaum we will visit the ruins of an ancient synagogue and Peter's home. Then we travel on to the possible site of the multiplication of loaves and fishes in Bethsaida and the Mount of the Beatitudes overlooking the Sea. After viewing the ancient Fisherman Boat at an operating Kibbutz, we enjoy a relaxing cruise on the Sea of Galilee. A brief scripture reading and devotional on board brings to life the experiences of Jesus and the fishermen disciples concluding a wonderful day.

## Day 5: Jordan River Baptism Site, Beth Shean, Bethany & Dead Sea

We begin our day with an opportunity to be baptized at the Jordan River Baptismal site. Next we travel southward to Beit-Shean/Scythopolis, the most magnificent archeological site in Israel, located at the strategic juncture of the Jezreel and

Jordan valleys. Like Jericho, it has been almost continuously occupied throughout history. After defeating Saul and his sons on Mt. Gilboa, the Philistines hanged their bodies on the walls of Beit-Shean. During the time of Jesus, Scythopolis was one of the chief cities of the Decapolis - a league of ten cities sharing Greek culture and government. Following the fertile Jordan Valley southward, your guide will point out the agricultural restoration of the "Land of Milk and Honey" and Israel's intricate irrigation development. We pass ancient Jericho, view from a distance this city famed as the oldest in the world, before coming to the Jordan River (Qeser El Yehud) the Israeli side of Bethany Beyond the Jordan, the place where Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist, where Elijah and Elisha crossed the Jordan as well as the area where the children of Israel led by Joshua entered the Promised land. Our lodging for the evening is at the Dead Sea - the lowest place on earth. Spend time in the special spa and enjoy a dip in the Dead Sea for a relaxing float before dinner.

## Day 6: Masada, Ein Gedi, Dead Sea Scrolls, Abraham's Tent

Our day begins with a cable car ride to the mountain top fortress of Masada. Here our guide will treat us to the history of the famous zealot stand. Afterwards we proceed to Ein Gedi, "Spring of the Goat", an oasis on the western shore of the Dead Sea. Because of its warm climate and abundant supply of water, the site

developed a reputation for its fragrant plants and date palm groves. This is where King David hid from Saul, and where God defeated the enemies of the Israelites by praise and worship led by King Jehoshaphat. Next, we visit Qumran Caves where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered. This afternoon we will take part in the Genesis Land/Dinner in Abraham's Tent, where we enjoy a trip back in time: a reliving of life in the time of the Patriarchs, complete with costume, dramatic presentation, camel ride and authentic food. Our lodging for the next four nights will be in Jerusalem.

## Day 7: Around Jerusalem, Bible Times, Holocaust Museum

Conditions permitting we will visit the Temple Mount, with commentary on the Temple Periods, and the variety of belief systems past and present that make this area so valuable. From here we will also be able to see the Pool of Bethesda, Stephen's Gate and St. Ann's Church. Passing by the Protestant Cemetery, we visit the "Upper Room" just outside the Zion Gate where the disciple whom Jesus loved laid his head on His breast and where later Thomas cried, "my Lord & my God." An interesting and educational time awaits us at the Israeli Museum. Walk through collections of centuries-old Israeli artifacts including the Dead Sea Scrolls, and a then a guided walk through an accurately detailed model of Biblical Jerusalem will help to prepare you for what you will experience in the following days. We conclude the day with a visit to Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Museum, for a needed reminder of what the Jews have suffered as a people.

## Day 8: Jesus' Steps, the Last Days - Messianic Lecture

Today we walk where Jesus walked, beginning the day with a panoramic view of the city, Mount Moriah and the Dome of the Rock from atop the Mount of Olives and

then the Garden of Gethsemane. How many have wished to be whisked back in time to get a glimpse of our Lord or hear His voice if only for a moment? To walk between the ancient olive trees, read the scriptures of Jesus' prayer and take time for personal reflection is important here. Next we visit the House of Caiaphas where Jesus was beaten and spit upon. See a pit where he may have been held for the evening and the ancient hillside steps he walked as he was taken to be condemned. On our way into the city we will visit the Wailing Wall and then the fascinating Rabbinical Tunnels leading us through the Second Temple era. The tunnel and exhibit give a clear understanding of the amazing construction of the Temple Mount, giant stones, water supply and Roman street where our Lord was led to judgment. Before exiting the tunnel we see the immense cornerstone rejected by the builders. We move on to the Judgment Hall of Pilate, hear of those who conspired against Him and are reminded of His brutal beating and humiliation. This evening we enjoy a special lecture by a local believer prior to dinner, giving us a perspective of Messianic life in Israel.

## Day 9: Way of Suffering, Garden Tomb, Pentecost, Bethlehem

While walking along the Via Dolorosa, we are reminded of His way of suffering along with a visit to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Our guide will explain the differing opinions on the route that

Christ was led. The actual place of crucifixion and burial is a very interesting study. Our climax of the day is the area of Golgotha (place of the skull) and the Garden Tomb, where we celebrate the resurrection with communion and a time of praise. This afternoon we visit the Southern Wall Excavations. This southern side of The Temple was the main entrance for the common folk, whereas the Priests and Levites had their own entrance from the higher eastern side. Parts of the giant stairs, which led to the Temple Mount from the courtyard have been unearthed along with the purification pools. From here Jesus entered the Temple Mount and drove out the vendors and money exchangers who were exploiting the people. It is also likely that this is the place that Peter stood and preached and where thousands were saved and baptized on the Day of Pentecost. We will enjoy a challenge from God's Word and a song before an optional time this afternoon. Those who wish may stay in the city marketplace for shopping, while others may choose to spend the remainder of the day surrounding the birth of Christ, with a visit to Bethlehem.

## Day 10: Home

A very early morning departure for the Tel Aviv Airport for our flight homeward will allow for arrival home by early afternoon.

**Price Per Person: \$3,839.00**

(Based on double occupancy and a minimum of 15 passengers)

**Single Supplement Fee: \$719.00**

*Includes air from Minneapolis*

