

In the Footsteps of Jesus
An Alternative Tour to Palestine & Israel
A Global Ministries People-to-People Program
February 10-21, 2017



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Conditions on the ground and availability of speakers can dictate changes in the itinerary.
Group worship along the way/time for group reflection each evening.

Friday, February 10

Depart the U.S. (Details for a group flight will be announced or participants can book on another airline of their choice)

Saturday, February 11

Arrive Tel Aviv, transfer via motor coach to Bethlehem

Settle in at Manger Square Hotel and meet our guide

Lunch

Tour Nativity Church, Jerome's Cave and Shepherds' Fields

Dinner and overnight at Manger Square Hotel

Sunday, February 12

Early risers may visit Nativity Church or walk the streets as Bethlehem awakes.

Breakfast at Manger Square Hotel

Bus to Jerusalem, tour Haram al Sharif (the Temple Mount)

Attend worship with Redeemer Lutheran Church (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, a Global Ministries partner).

Visit with Emeq Shaveh (archeology & politics; www.alt-arch.org)

Tour the Old City: Via Doloroso, Church of the Resurrection, Western Wall (Wailing Wall)

Lunch in the Old City

Continue tour of Jerusalem: Kidron Valley, Mount of Olives, Gethsemane and more

Return to Bethlehem for dinner at local restaurant and overnight at Manger Square Hotel

Monday, February 13

Breakfast at Manger Square Hotel

Meet with staff of Kairos Palestine (Global Ministries partner;

www.kairospalestine.ps)

Meet with staff of the East Jerusalem YMCA Rehabilitation Program in Beit Sahour (Global Ministries partner; www.ejymca.org)
Visit Aida Refugee Camp and the Al Rowwad Cultural & Theatre Society (www.alrowwad-acts.ps)
Lunch at Aida Camp
Bus to Jerusalem to meet with B'Tselem (Global Ministries partner; www.btselem.org)
Meet with The Parents Circle (www.theparentscircle.com)
Return to Bethlehem for dinner at local restaurant and overnight at Manger Square Hotel

Tuesday, February 14

Breakfast at Manger Square Hotel
Bus to Hebron, tour the old city, market and Tomb of the Patriarchs
Meet with Christian Peacemaker Team (www.cpt.org/work/palestine)
Lunch in a Palestinian home
Meet with Tent of Nations (www.tentofnations.org); plant olive trees
Dinner at local restaurant and overnight at Manger Square Hotel



Wednesday, February 15

Breakfast at Manger Square Hotel
Bus to Jerusalem to meet with the Office for UN Food and Agriculture Organization West Bank and Gaza (www.fao.org)
Free time in Jerusalem or Bethlehem
Dinner at Bethlehem restaurant and overnight at Manger Square Hotel

Thursday, February 16

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 Mount of Temptation and visit monastery
Visit traditional baptismal site and float in the Dead Sea
Bus through Jordan Valley to Nazareth
Dinner and overnight at Villa Nazareth Hotel

Friday, February 17

Breakfast at Villa Nazareth Hotel
Bus to I'billin to meet with "retired" Melkite Catholic Archbishop Elias Chacour, author of *Blood Brothers* (www.pilgrimsofibilin.org)
Lunch at Mar Elias school
Bus to Galilee to visit Capernaum, Mt. of Beatitudes, Church of Loaves and Fishes and more
7 p.m. Dinner and overnight at Villa Nazareth Hotel

Saturday, February 18

Breakfast at Villa Nazareth Hotel
Tour Nazareth (Basilica of the Annunciation, Mary's Well and more)
Meet with Jonathan Cook, independent journalist reporting from Nazareth
Lunch
Bus to East Jerusalem to meet with representatives of Sabeel Ecumenical
Liberation Theology Center (Global Ministries partner; www.sabeel.org)
Dinner and overnight at Golden Walls Hotel, East Jerusalem

Sunday, February 19

Early risers may enter the Old City or hike to Mount of Olives and watch
Jerusalem awake
Breakfast at Golden Walls Hotel
Bus to Bethlehem to worship with The Christmas Church (Global Ministries
partner; [www.elcjh.org/elcjh-
ministries/congregations/bethlehem](http://www.elcjh.org/elcjh-ministries/congregations/bethlehem))
Lunch
Meet with politically conservative Jewish voice to hear an Israeli perspective on
security and peace
Tour Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum (www.yadvashem.org)
Dinner and overnight at Golden Walls Hotel

Monday, February 20

Breakfast at Golden Walls Hotel
Visit with Rawdat el Zahour School (Global Ministries partner; www.rawdat.org)
Bus to Ramallah
Lunch
Meet with Jean Zaru (author of *Occupied with Nonviolence: A Palestinian
Woman Speaks*) in the meeting house of the Friends International Center (
Global Ministries partner; www.ramallahquaker.org)
Bus to Beit Sahour to enjoy a cultural dinner with debka dancing as guests of our
hosts, Siraj Center.
Depart for airport, then depart for the U.S. late tonight

Tuesday, February 21

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

