

In the Footsteps of Jesus  
An Alternative Tour to Palestine & Israel  
A Global Ministries People-to-People Program  
July 28-August 8, 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, July 28**

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

**Saturday, July 29**

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, July 30**

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](http://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, July 31**

Breakfast at Manger Square Hotel  
Meet with staff of Kairos Palestine (Global Ministries partner; [www.kairospalestine.ps](http://www.kairospalestine.ps))

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

### **Tuesday, August 1**

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](http://www.cpt.org/work/palestine))  
Lunch in a Palestinian home  
Meet with Tent of Nations ([www.tentofnations.org](http://www.tentofnations.org)); plant olive trees  
Dinner at local restaurant and overnight at Manger Square Hotel



### **Wednesday, August 2**

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](http://www.fao.org))  
Free time in Jerusalem or Bethlehem  
Dinner at Bethlehem restaurant and overnight at Manger Square Hotel

### **Thursday, August 3**

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, August 4**

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](http://www.pilgrimsofibilin.org))  
Lunch at Mar Elias school  
Bus to Galilee to visit Capernaum, Mt. of Beatitudes, Church of Loaves and Fishes and more  
Dinner and overnight at Villa Nazareth Hotel

### **Saturday, August 5**

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](http://www.sabeel.org))

Dinner and overnight at Golden Walls Hotel, East Jerusalem

### **Sunday, August 6**

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.elcjl.org/elcjl-ministries/congregations/bethlehem](http://www.elcjl.org/elcjl-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](http://www.yadvashem.org))

Dinner and overnight at Golden Walls Hotel

### **Monday, August 7**

Breakfast at Golden Walls Hotel

Visit with Rawdat el Zahour School (Global Ministries partner; [www.rawdat.org](http://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](http://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, August 8**

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

