

THE FRIENDS OF ISRAEL GOSPEL MINISTRY

UP TO JERUSALEM

JOURNEY TO THE LAND OF THE BIBLE

MARCH 17–27, 2023

Petra extension March 27–29



Go back in history and follow in the steps of Jesus. Watch prophecy being lived out before your eyes. Tour the Land and meet the people. Learn about Israel and how this little nation is making a huge mark on our modern world!

WHAT THE PRICE INCLUDES



AIR TRANSPORTATION/TRANSFERS

Round-trip flight between Newark, NJ, and Tel Aviv, Israel (economy). Departure taxes. Group transfers to/from airport and hotel. (Airfare subject to change.)



SURFACE TRANSPORTATION

Modern, comfortable tour bus. Daily pickup and drop-off at the hotel. Bottled water included.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Twin-bedded rooms with private baths at Dan Panorama Hotel (Tel Aviv), Ramot Resort (Galilee), Vert Hotel (Dead Sea), and Dan Panorama Hotel (Jerusalem). In Petra, The Old Village Hotel. Tips included in price.



BAGGAGE*

One checked bag (50 lbs), one carry-on, and one personal item.



SIGHTSEEING

All entrance fees to tour sites.



MEAL PLAN

Buffet breakfasts and plentiful hotel dinners. Coffee and tea included. (Other beverages must be purchased.) Gratuity included.



TOUR GUIDE

An experienced Friends of Israel staff member and Israeli guide will accompany the group from arrival to departure.



PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Good health and basic fitness level. You should be able to walk at least three miles, and climb stairs without needing to sit and rest. Tour includes uneven, unpaved, and rocky surfaces; places without railings; and sites that are not handicap-accessible. This tour is not recommended for those with mobility issues.

NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

Domestic airfare to/from Newark; cost of passports; travel insurance; overweight luggage; hotel laundry service; extra nights at hotels in Israel apart from scheduled tour dates; lunches while touring during the day; food and/or beverages not on the hotel menu; transfers to/from hotels in Israel apart from scheduled tour dates. Guide and driver tips.

PETRA EXTENSION INCLUDES

- Breakfast, lunch, and dinner on March 27 & 28
- Guide and driver tips
- Bottled water
- Donkey ride out of Petra

PETRA EXTENSION DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Ala carte beverages ordered with meals
- Jordan visa \$57 (approx.) (for those on the Petra extension/ obtained by GTI)

COST*

\$4,730

Double Occupancy

\$6,030

Single Occupancy

\$3,650

Land Only
Does not include flight.

COST*

WITH PETRA EXTENSION

\$5,730

Double Occupancy

\$7,180

Single Occupancy

\$4,450

Land Only
Does not include flight.

\$100 early-booking discount prior to September 23, 2022

SPRING 2023 TOUR ITINERARY**

DAY 1– FRIDAY, MARCH 17

We meet at Newark International Airport in New Jersey to begin our historic *Up to Jerusalem* 2023 journey. United Airlines flight #84 departs at 4:40 p.m. and arrives in Israel Saturday, March 18, at 8:55 a.m.

DAY 2– SATURDAY, MARCH 18

Upon arriving in Tel Aviv we will be welcomed by our Israeli tour guide. We begin our tour with a visit to the ancient port of Joppa and enjoy our first lunch in Israel. We will then visit the Ammunition Factory on Kibbutz Hill in Rehovot. The factory was established in 1946 and is now a tribute to the brave men and women who worked there in the most extreme conditions. We will make our way to the Valley of Elah where David confronted the mighty Goliath. Accommodations for our first night in Israel are at the Dan Panorama Hotel in Tel Aviv, where we will enjoy our first Israeli dinner.



DAY 3–SUNDAY, MARCH 19

Our day begins with a bus tour of the city of Tel Aviv as we head north to the ancient Roman city of Caesarea Maritime, on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea. We will stand in the ancient amphitheater and remember men like Cornelius, Peter, Paul, and Pilate. After viewing the famous Roman aqueduct, we will continue north by way of Haifa to Mount Carmel where Elijah confronted the prophets of Baal and pass by a Second Temple Period tomb with rolling stone. We will visit Tel Megiddo, the site of biblical Armageddon and view from its summit the plain where the armies of the world will assemble for the last great battle of the Tribulation. On our way to our hotel, we will stop at Gideon's Spring, the headwaters of Harod Stream, where Gideon brought the army of Israel to choose only 300 warriors who would join him in battle against the Midianites. Accommodations tonight are at the Ramot Resort in the Galilee.



DAY 4–MONDAY, MARCH 20

After a boat ride and devotional on the Sea of Galilee, we will disembark at Kibbutz Nof Ginosar and see the 1st-century “Jesus Boat” on display there. Next, we make our way north to the Hula Valley where we will enjoy a breathtaking view of Mt. Hermon before arriving at Caesarea Philippi, which marks the headwaters of the Jordan River and the place of Peter’s great confession. Afterward we will ascend the Golan Heights, view the Syrian overlook and learn how important the Golan is to Israel’s survival. Descending from the Golan, we will visit the ancient town of Magdala along the shore of the Galilee Sea where we will see a synagogue from the time of Christ. It is likely that Jesus visited this synagogue in the town from which Mary Magdalene came. This evening we will enjoy a dinner at the famous Lido Decks Restaurant in Tiberias.



DAY 5–TUESDAY, MARCH 21

We begin the day planting trees as lasting memorials to loved ones and the Land. Then we will visit Nazareth to experience the reenactment of a village at the time of Jesus and enjoy a biblical meal for lunch. From Nazareth we will follow our Lord’s steps to the rim of the Galilee to the Mount of Beatitudes after which we will journey to Capernaum where we will visit the ancient synagogue, standing precisely where the Lord Jesus and His disciples worshiped, taught, and ministered.



DAY 6—WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22

Our morning will begin with a stop at the Jordan River for a baptismal service. Our next stop is at the magnificent ruins at Beit Shean, the Pompeii of the Middle East. Beit Shean was a Jewish city in biblical times and became a major Roman city in Israel. Our tour will take us south along the Jordan Valley to the Dead Sea where we will check into the Vert Hotel for a float on the Dead Sea.



DAY 7—THURSDAY, MARCH 23

The wilderness of Judea holds many treasures, such as Masada, a monument to Israel's continuing struggle for survival, our first stop of the day. We depart in the morning for the Qumran Caves, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. From there we make our way Up to Jerusalem. On our way into the historic city of Jerusalem, we'll stop on the Mount of Olives to see a stunning view of Jerusalem and the Temple Mount where Jesus revealed Himself as the Messiah. The Garden of Gethsemane, the Kidron Valley and the walled Old City of Jerusalem will all lie before us. We'll open the Bible to study the significance of this mountain. Walking down the Mount, we will spend quiet time with the Lord in the Garden of Gethsemane. Our next stop is the Dan Panorama, our home for the next four nights. This evening will include an after-dinner tour of the Western Wall Tunnel, the famous rabbinic tunnel that runs along Herod's ancient wall.



DAY 8—FRIDAY, MARCH 24

We begin our day on the southern end of the Temple Mount at the Davidson Center. Here you will enter into another world as the glass doors close behind you and you view the city's glorious past, showcased through the prism of advanced visualization technology. Next, we visit the Temple Institute where preparations are being made for a new Temple. We will walk through the Jewish Quarter, one of the four traditional quarters of the Old City, and enjoy lunch before visiting the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, one of the traditional sites of the Lord's crucifixion and burial. Walking up the Via Dolorosa, we will stop to sing in the naturally acoustic Saint Anne's Church and visit the Pool of Bethesda. Our afternoon will conclude with a memorable visit to Gordon's Calvary and the Garden Tomb, where we will take communion. If time permits, we will visit the Western Wall where Jewish people gather to usher in Shabbat, a unique and inspiring experience.



DAY 9—SATURDAY, MARCH 25

This morning we'll visit the Friends of Zion Museum for a unique multi-media experience. The Museum tells the amazing story of Christians who God used to help restore the Jewish people, the land of Israel and rebirth the modern state. Driving across town, our tour will take us through the New City of Jerusalem. The Israeli Knesset will be in full view as we move to the Shrine of the Book, where the Dead Sea Scrolls are kept and see the model of ancient Jerusalem. Before returning to our hotel, we will visit the village of Bethlehem and the Shepherds' field.



DAY 10–SUNDAY, MARCH 26

This morning we will visit the Jewish Agency for Israel to hear of the remarkable story of the forming of modern Israel's government. Next, we go to Yad Vashem, a memorial to the victims of the Holocaust, which is a must visit for all *Up to Jerusalem* tours. After lunch we will tour the biblical city of David and see the recent archaeological discoveries. Following this we will explore a Canaanite tunnel, dug at the same time the fortifications of the city were established in the 18th century BC. The tunnel emerges into the Pool of Siloam, our next stop, where a blind man had his sight restored. Our *Up to Jerusalem* tour will conclude this evening with a farewell banquet.



DAY 11–MONDAY, MARCH 27

Those not going on the Petra extension will rise early to travel to Ben Gurion International Airport for our flight back home. United Airlines flight #85 to Newark departs at 12:00 p.m. and arrives at 4:55 p.m.

PETRA EXTENSION: After breakfast, we'll check out of our hotel and head east toward Jordan. We'll cross into Jordan at the Allenby Bridge crossing and board a bus to Mount Nebo, where Moses met with God as his life ended. Next, we'll visit a mosaic art shop before enjoying a unique Jordanian meal in Madaba. After lunch we'll finish off our day by driving south toward Petra and check into The Old Village Hotel where we'll enjoy dinner and spend the night.



DAY 12–TUESDAY, MARCH 28

We'll rise early to begin our last full day in Jordan with an early morning visit to Petra. You'll walk on the path through the canyon into the ancient city of Petra and see the buildings made famous in so many pictures and films. After a delicious lunch in the town of Wadi Musa and a relaxing afternoon, we will head north toward the Jordanian capital of Amman where we will enjoy dinner together before heading to the airport for our flight back to the United States.



DAY 13–WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

We will travel to Queen Alia International Airport for our flight back. United Airlines flight #526 departs at 2:15 a.m. and arrives in Dulles at 7:55 a.m. United Airlines flight #1911 departs at 12:32 p.m. and arrives in Newark at 2:21 p.m.



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**The tour director may change the itinerary along the way, subject to conditions and scheduling considerations.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

\$500 per person deposit due **to GTI Tours** immediately.

\$2,095 due **to GTI Tours** October 28, 2022.

Total balance due **to GTI Tours** January 26, 2023.

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\$2,595 due **to GTI Tours** October 28, 2022.

Total balance due **to GTI Tours** January 26, 2023.

REFUND CANCELLATION POLICY

Full refund less \$200 for cancellations after deposit.

Full refund less \$500 for cancellations after September 23, 2022.

Full refund less \$2,000 for cancellations after October 28, 2022.

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