

JUNE 4 - 13, 2024

# HOLY LAND

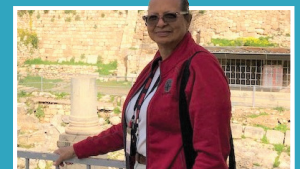
## *Classic Journey*

Trip Led by Rev. Dennis D. Patterson, Jr.

Priest-in-Charge of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross, Decatur, Ga



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Why a pilgrimage to the Holy Land? A pilgrimage is a spiritual journey to a sacred place. Sacred places are known to be locations where humans have had extraordinary encounters with the divine. Jesus, the God in human flesh, lived, walked, taught, healed and fed many people in specific locations. A pilgrimage to the Holy Land allows a Christian to walk in the footsteps of Jesus. Undoubtedly, a pilgrimage to the Holy Land will not only transform a Christian's faith; it will enrich one's understanding of the Bible, and deepen one's faith in the risen Lord Jesus Christ.

*Rev. Dennis D. Patterson, Jr.*



# ITINERARY

## JUNE 4 AND 5 - USA TO THE HOLY LAND

Your pilgrimage begins as you depart the USA on an overnight flight. You will be welcomed at the Tel Aviv airport by our representative and transferred to your hotel to enjoy dinner before retiring for the night.

## JUNE 6 - THE GALILEE

Worship as you sail across the Sea of Galilee. Visit Capernaum, the center of Jesus' ministry in the Galilee, and visit the synagogue built on the site where Jesus taught (Matthew 4:13, 23). On the Mount of Beatitudes, contemplate the "Sermon on the Mount" (Matthew 5-7). Explore the Church of the Loaves and Fish at Tabgha, the traditional site of the feeding of the 5,000 (Luke 9:10-17). See the Chapel of the Primacy, where Peter professed his devotion three times to the risen Christ (John 21). In Magdala, once home to Mary Magdalene, visit a recently discovered first-century synagogue. Recall Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist at the Jordan River.

## JUNE 7 - CANA, NAZARETH, TEL MEGIDDO & CAESAREA

Visit the Franciscan Wedding Chapel in Cana, the site of Jesus' first miracle, before continuing on to Nazareth, Jesus' boyhood home (Matthew 2:23). Look out over Tel Megiddo (Armageddon) to view one of the most important archaeological sites in Israel. Today's last stop is Caesarea, a center of the early Christians, where an angel visited Cornelius, the first Gentile believer (Acts 10), and where Paul was imprisoned for two years before appealing to Caesar.

## JUNE 8 - BEIT SHEAN, JERICHO, & QUMRAN

Start the day in Beit Shean, a city continuously inhabited for over 5,000 years. The uncovered ruins date back to the Greek/Roman city that was part of the Decapolis of Jesus' day. See colonnaded streets with marble sidewalks, Roman public baths, and a theater. As you stop in Jericho to view the ruins of the city conquered by Joshua (Joshua 6:1, 2, 20), in the distance, you can see the traditional site of the Temptation of Jesus (Matthew 4:1-11). Continue to Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in 1947.

## JUNE 9 - BETHLEHEM & JERUSALEM

In Bethlehem, visit the cave revered as Jesus' birthplace and see the Church of the Nativity constructed over the site (Matthew 1:18-25). Gaze out over Shepherds' Field before returning to Jerusalem. Explore the poignant exhibits of Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust Memorial.

## JUNE 10 - JERUSALEM & THE CITY OF DAVID

Begin your day with a group picture taken from the Mount of Olives, where Jesus ascended into heaven (Acts 1:9-12). Walk the Palm Sunday Road and pray in the Garden of Gethsemane and envision the scenes of the night before Jesus' crucifixion (Matthew 26:36 - 44). Continue to Mount Zion to visit the House of the High Priest Caiaphas, where Jesus was questioned the night of His betrayal (Matthew 26:57). Meditate on the events of the Last Supper as you visit the traditional location of the Upper Room (Mark 14:12-26). After lunch, wander through the excavations of the City of David. Explore Hezekiah's Tunnel, an amazing engineering feat that was dug from both ends and met in the middle (Those who are claustrophobic may want to meet the group at the other end of the tunnel)! Visit the Pool of Siloam, recently uncovered at the foot of the city.

## JUNE 11 - LEISURE DAY (MASADA/DEAD SEA OPTION)

Today, you have free time to explore on your own or you may choose to visit Masada and the Dead Sea (additional charge). Ascend by cable car to Masada, Herod's legendary mountaintop fortress, which became the last desperate stronghold of the Jewish Zealots against the Romans. You can still look down on the remains of the Roman camps and the siege ramp below. End your day with a dip in the salt and mineral-laden waters of the Dead Sea.

## JUNE 12 - JERUSALEM & THE OLD CITY

Explore ancient Jerusalem at the Teaching Steps and the Western Wall. View the Pool of Bethesda, where Jesus performed the Sabbath miracle (John 5:1-18). Sing a hymn in the Church of St. Anne and experience its rich acoustics. Visit Herod's Antonia Fortress, where Jesus appeared before Pontius Pilate (Luke 23:1), and follow in Christ's steps on the Via Dolorosa ("the Way of the Cross"). At the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, take time to reflect on His sacrificial love. Visit the Garden Tomb for a time of reflection and communion.

## JUNE 13 - RETURN TO THE USA OR ENJOY AN EXTENSION.

Starting at

**\$4,296\*** FROM ATLANTA, GA

### YOUR ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICE INCLUDES:

**Basic Tour & Guided Sightseeing, Round-trip International Airfare**

Additional baggage & optional fees may apply; see fine print for details

**Fuel Surcharges and Government Taxes**

Subject to change

**Admin. Fees, Entrance Fees, Hotel Gratuities & Program Fees**

**Daily Breakfast & Dinner, Deluxe Motorcoaches**

**First-Class Hotels & much more!**

\*See back for pricing details



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**\$1,298\***

### JUNE 13 - JERUSALEM TO EGYPT

Travel in the footsteps of the Holy Family as you travel along the ancient caravan route from Jerusalem to the Sinai desert. Cross the border and check into your hotel for dinner and rest.

### JUNE 14 - ST. CATHERINE'S MONASTERY

This morning, you can opt to climb Mount Sinai (conditions permitting), where tradition says that Moses received the Ten Commandments. Everyone will experience a visit to fortified St. Catherine's Monastery, built in the 6th century and one of the oldest working monasteries in the world with the world's oldest continually operating library. Both the Codex Sinaiticus and Syriac Sinaiticus, important early Biblical manuscripts, were discovered here. Even Muhammad found refuge here, and the site is sacred to all three monotheistic religions. Remember the story of Moses and the burning bush, which tradition places inside the monastery. Continue to Sharm el Sheikh for dinner and overnight at your hotel located on the shores of the Red Sea.

### JUNE 15 - ROUTE OF THE EXODUS

Trace the route of the Exodus along the eastern Sinai coast to Wadi Feiran, where the Children of Israel withstood the Amalekites. Travel to Elim, where the Children of Israel camped by the oasis of 70 palm trees. Your final stop of the day will be Marah by the Red Sea, where the "waters were bitter." Continue to Cairo for dinner and a two-night stay.

### JUNE 16 - MEMPHIS, SAQQARA, THE GREAT PYRAMIDS & THE SPHINX

Tour the rural region of traditional Egyptian farming. Travel as Abraham did to Memphis (Biblical Noph) and on to Saqqara, where you will see the Step Pyramid, the world's oldest stone structure. See the Great Pyramids of Giza and the Sphinx.

### JUNE 17 - CAIRO

This morning, visit the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities to view the unique collection of Pharaonic art and the renowned treasures of King Tutankhamun. Tour the Old City and see the Citadel of Saladin, built in 1183 AD, and view the Alabaster Mosque of Muhammad Ali. In Old Cairo, visit the Abu Serga Church built over the traditional site of the house where the Holy Family lived during their stay in Egypt. Prepare for your return flight home.

### JUNE 18 - RETURN TO THE USA

TRAVEL REGISTRATION FORM

Please mail completed form with payment and passport copy to: Karen Williams | FreeBird Travel (InteleTravel) 235 Ponce de Leon Place, Suite M -167.- Decatur, Ga 30030 678-640-5512 | freebirdtravel2020@att.net

PROGRAM CONDITIONS

INCLUDED IN PRICE:

- Round-trip international airfare • Deluxe motorcoaches • 1st class hotels • Guided sightseeing • Entrance fees to sites visited (as listed in itinerary) • Breakfast & dinner daily • Hotel gratuities • Program fees • Administrative Fee • Fuel surcharges • Government Taxes \$98 (Increases in government tax and fees are subject to change)

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

- Tips for guide (\$6/day) & driver (\$3/day): will be collected by your bus captain on tour • Extensions • Optional sightseeing as listed in the brochure • \$75 Masada/Dead Sea Option (approx.) • Miscellaneous fees i.e. individual transfers; passports, laundry, lunches, beverages & baggage fees • Visas for non-US citizens • Visas and Transfers for all ground only passengers • Optional Travel Protection Program (see premium schedule) • Required Vaccinations • Required medical testing before, during, and/or after travel

ALSO NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE - will appear on your statement:

Extension Border taxes, visas, tips and other fees; \$158 for Cairo. Contact your travel advisor for more information.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Price is per person based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. While we will try to match roommates, we cannot guarantee a roommate will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 30 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or you request a single room, the following charges apply: \$998 during the basic tour; \$448 for Cairo. Contact your travel advisor for more information.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Table with 3 columns: Deposit, Payment Amount, Due Date. Rows include Registration Deposit (\$300), Final Payment (Full payment), and Travel Protection Premium Amount.

REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED later February 6, 2024:

We welcome registrations after 02/06/24. Registrations received between 02/07/24-03/06/24 will incur a \$100 per person fee. Registrations received between 03/07/24-03/21/24 will incur a \$200 per person fee.

CANCELLATION FEES:

100% of Cancellation Fees are covered by the optional Travel Protection Program, provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is coverable. Those who do not take travel protection should be aware of the following per-person cancellation penalties: From day of registration to 105 days prior to departure, you will be charged the \$100 non-refundable cancellation fee plus any airline fees.

STATEMENTS OF RESPONSIBILITY

We do not accept responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air schedules, hotel overbookings, other hotel related problems or causes, and/or travel supplier cancellations or postponements. Travel suppliers include all tour operators, cruise lines, airlines, hotels, bus companies, entertainment venues, and any other travel supplier used to operate the tour.

FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT:

Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Because many of the sites are not accessible to the physically challenged and space limitations on tour buses, wheelchairs and scooters cannot be accommodated.

PASSPORT INFORMATION:

Passport information must be submitted to our office no later than 02/06/24. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date may result in change fees or denial of travel.

PRICE INCREASES:

All prices quoted in this brochure are subject to change prior to payment in full due to currency fluctuations, fuel surcharge increases, government taxes and fees increases or unforeseen circumstances.

AIRLINE ROUTES and TICKETS:

In order to keep prices low, we do not guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. Once issued, airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class on IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together on entire itinerary.

FLIGHT TIMES AND SEATING:

All flights are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. We are not responsible for such changes or delays and do not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If you are making your own flight arrangements to the departure city, we recommend you purchase a ticket that can be exchanged without large penalties.

ADDITIONAL AIRLINE FEES:

You will likely incur additional airline checked baggage fees that are not included in the price of the tour. These fees vary by airline and are at the airline's discretion on each segment of the flight itinerary.

DEVIATIONS AND AIR UPGRADE REQUESTS:

Deviation and Air Upgrade requests must be submitted in writing and are subject to additional airline fees. Deviations and Air Upgrades are not always possible given the group schedule and time of ticketing.

ITINERARY CHANGES:

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While we will make every effort to ensure you will see all sites listed in this brochure, the availability of sites, order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in airline, hotel schedules, and local conditions.

VALIDITY DATE:

This brochure is valid until 12/14/23. Registrations will still be accepted after the validity date.

RELEASE INFORMATION:

Payment of deposit indicates permission for us or our agents to record the registrant's participation and appearance on video tape, audio tape, film, photograph, or any other medium and to use the registrant's name, likeness, voice, comments, submitted documentation, written papers, and/or biographical material without restrictions or limitation for any advertising, marketing, publicity, educational or promotional purpose which we or our agents deem appropriate.

Enrollment in, payment of deposit and/or acceptance of final documents, vouchers, or tickets shall be deemed to be consent to the Passenger Agreement and Program Conditions of the brochure. Prices are based on tariffs in effect as of January 1 of the previous year and are subject to adjustment without notice in the event of any change or currency fluctuation.

Except where otherwise stated, we act only as agent for the relevant supplier in securing hotels, transportation and other travel services and in no event shall we be liable for failure by any such supplier to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. The passenger agrees that we assume no liability for injury, death, damage, loss, theft, accident, delay, any lost or damaged luggage, or irregularity which may occur by reason of any negligent or willful act or omission of any suppliers or service.

We do not own or operate any of the suppliers of services to your tour. Similarly without limiting the foregoing, passenger agrees to hold us harmless for any defect in any vehicle, plane, boat, bus, car, van or other vehicle, act of war or insurrection, terrorist activity, revolt or other civil uprising, military action, strikes or labor unrest or any Act of God or for any other act of any third party.

Departure City: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date: 06/04/24 (K)

First, Middle & Last Name must be submitted as it appears on your passport:

Guest 1: First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Name Tag: \_\_\_\_\_)

Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ P.O. Box: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ State of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex:  M  F

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about this tour? \_\_\_\_\_

Tour Selection:  Basic Program Only  Add Cairo Extension

Guest 2: First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Name Tag: \_\_\_\_\_)

Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ P.O. Box: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ State of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex:  M  F

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Roommate(s): \_\_\_\_\_

If No Roommate:  Try to Match Me  Single Room (availability limited - \$998)

Important Information Regarding Travel Protection Plan:

- 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 (separate from deposit & clearly designated as your travel protection premium).
4 Premium must be paid in full no later than 02/06/24.

Guest 1:

I Accept  I Decline

Guest 2:

I Accept  I Decline

\$300 DEPOSIT PER PERSON REQUIRED WITH REGISTRATION FINAL PAYMENT DUE 02/06/24

via check # \_\_\_\_\_  via credit card (circle): VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER AMEX

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ CVN: \_\_\_\_\_

PASSENGER AGREEMENT

By signing and submitting the registration form, I/we certify that I/we have read Passenger Agreement, Program Conditions, and Statements of Responsibility of the brochure, understand its content, and agree to its terms including but not limited to the potential for price increases that may apply before payment in full has been received as set forth in the Program Conditions and Statements of Responsibility of the brochure and potential price increases after payment in full has been received due to government imposed taxes and fees.

Guest 1 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest 2 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Tour: TH24 Date: 060424 Code: K ID: 30754 V.003 06/14/23

Travel Protection Plan - Premium Rates

For a full description of the plan, go to: www.tripmate.com/wpF427E

Table with 8 columns: Trip Cost, Plan Cost, Trip Cost, Plan Cost, Trip Cost, Plan Cost, Trip Cost, Plan Cost. Rows show premium rates for various trip cost ranges.

Table with 2 columns: Schedule of Coverages, Maximum Benefit. Rows include Trip Cancellation, Trip Interruption, Missed Connection, Travel Delay, Medical Expense / Emergency Evacuation, Accidental Death & Dismemberment, Baggage and Personal Effects, Baggage Delay.

Additional Cancellation Protection

When You purchase this Travel Protection Plan at or before the final payment due date for Your Trip, you also receive the Educational Travel Services Pre-Departure Cancellation Waiver Benefit that allows you to cancel your Educational Travel Services travel arrangements up to the day of departure for any reason (excluding no shows and those not permitted boarding). With this Educational Travel Services Cancellation Waiver, your non-refundable land cancellation penalties will be refunded in Educational Travel Services travel certificates.

Part A - Travel Arrangement Benefits are provided by Educational Travel Services. Part B - Travel Protection Benefits are provided by United States Fire Insurance Co. For New York Residents Only. Part A Benefits are travel arrangement benefits underwritten by United States Insurance Company.

Conditions and Limitations

This is a brief description of the plan available for all Travel Protection sales for Trips departing January 1, 2013 and after. Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the Certificate of Coverage. For example, coverage does not apply to: any sickness or condition of you, a Traveling Companion or a Family Member traveling with you that existed during the 60 days prior to the effective date of the coverages (The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion is waived if payment for this plan is received by Educational Travel Services at or before the final payment due date for Your Trip or 105 days before departure date, whichever occurs first.)