



**Peninsula Bible Church Cupertino  
Israel and Jordan Itinerary**

**March 21-April 2, 2011**

**Pastor Bernard and Sue Bell**

**\$3756** per person-double occupancy

Land only **\$2887** per person-double occupancy

Single Supplement **\$814**

Deposit **\$500** per passenger

Balance due 90 days before departure



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*Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion city of our God.*  
John Newton, based on Psalm 87:3

In Biblical times Israel's life and history was closely intertwined with the Land. At the center of this land was Jerusalem with its temple where God dwelt with his people. His presence made the land holy. Jesus' life and ministry was also closely intertwined with the Land, in both Galilee and Jerusalem. We still call this land the Holy Land, though that's a misnomer, because God no longer restricts spatial holiness to the Land. Nevertheless, there is great value in visiting the sites associated with the Biblical accounts. Seeing the sites will make the stories much more vivid.

In the 1990s I led three small tours to Israel for PBCC folk. I am delighted to now be able to provide a larger tour for the wider PBCC family. Our itinerary includes a 2-day excursion to Jordan, where the highlight is an overnight visit to Petra. In addition to the benefit of seeing the Biblical sites, traveling together for 13 days as part of the PBCC family should be very enjoyable. I invite you to join us.

Bernard Bell

<b>Day 1</b>	<b>Transatlantic</b>
<b>Day 2</b>	<b>Tel Aviv</b>
<b>Day 3</b>	<b>Caesarea / Mt. Carmel / Mukraka/ Nazareth / Galilee</b>
<b>Day 4</b>	<b>Sepphoris / Megiddo / Beth Shean / Gideon Springs / Galilee</b>
<b>Day 5</b>	<b>Boat Ride / Mt of Beatitudes / Tabgha / Capernaum / Tel Dan / Caesarea Phillipi / Golan Heights / Galilee</b>
<b>Day 6</b>	<b>Galilee / Jerash / Mount Nebo / Petra</b>
<b>Day 7</b>	<b>Petra / Amman</b>
<b>Day 8</b>	<b>Amman / Jesus Baptismal Site / Allenby Bridge / Bedouin Lunch / Bethlehem / Jerusalem</b>
<b>Day 9</b>	<b>Jerusalem / Old City / Western Wall / Kotel Tunnel St. Stephen's Gate / Pool of Bethesda / Via Dolorosa / Room of Last Supper / King David's Tomb</b>
<b>Day 10</b>	<b>Jerusalem New City / Davidson Center / Yad Vashem / Shrine of the Book / Garden Tomb</b>
<b>Day 11</b>	<b>Jerusalem / Ein Gedi / Masada</b>
<b>Day 12</b>	<b>Free Morning in Jerusalem / Elah Valley / Joffa</b>
<b>Day 13</b>	<b>Trans-Atlantic to USA</b>

March 21

Transatlantic

Leave San Francisco approximately 11:00 am. We must be at the airport at least 2 hours before flight time.

ENROUTE TRANSATLANTIC

March 22

Tel Aviv

Today, we arrive in Tel Aviv mid afternoon. Upon arrival, we are met and assisted by our guide and transferred to our hotel for dinner and overnight..

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT TEL AVIV

March 23

Caesarea /Mt. Carmel /Mukraka /Nazareth /Galilee

After our refreshing sleep and breakfast, we start our touring to Galilee. On the way to Galilee, we drive along the Mediterranean coast to the ruins of the ancient Roman capital, Caesarea, built by Herod the Great in 22 BC. Visit the Roman Theatre, the Aqueduct and Herodian Port. Continue to Haifa, to see the magnificent panoramic view from Mount Carmel. Continue to Mukraka, the location of Elijah's altar. Then we travel to Jesus' boyhood home of Nazareth and visit the recreated Nazareth Village. If there is time, we will visit the Church of the Annunciation and Mary's well on our way to Galilee

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT GALILEE

March 24

Sepphoris/Megiddo/Beth Shean/Gideon Springs/Galilee

We start the day at Sepphoris, an ancient Roman city built near Nazareth during Jesus youth. He may have helped Joseph work there. Afterwards, we visit the Valley of Armageddon and the excavation of Tel Megiddo. We continue to the newly excavated ruins of Beth Shean where the bodies of Saul and his sons were displayed on the walls after their defeat at Mount Gilboa. Return to our kibbutz by way of Gideon Springs where Gideon chose the 300 to fight the Midianites.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT GALILEE

March 25

Boat Ride / Mount of Beatitudes / Tabgha / Capernaum / Tel Dan /  
Caesarea Philippi / Golan Heights

Take a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, then visit the Mount of Beatitudes, site of the Sermon on the Mount and Tabgha, site of the Miracle of the Fishes and the Loaves. Then to Capernaum, the city of Jesus and then cross the Jordan River to the land of the Gadarenes. We visit two sites in the north: ancient Tel Dan and Caesarea Philippi where Peter confessed Christ as Messiah. We return via the Golan Heights.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT GALILEE

March 26

Galilee / Jerash / Mount Nebo / Petra

We travel to the Sheik Hussein Bridge near Tiberias and cross into Jordan. We will be met and transferred north to the ancient Roman decapolis city of Jerash. Near Amman we go to nearby historic Mt. Nebo where Moses saw the Promised Land and a remarkable view of the Jordan Valley, The Dead Sea and the spires of Jerusalem in the distance. We continue then southwards on the desert highway to Petra.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT PETRA

March 27

Petra/Amman

This morning after breakfast we start our visit to Petra. This entire city, with its rose colored temples and amphitheatre is carved out of multiple rocks which surround the hidden valley. The city was lost to the rest of the world until approximately a hundred years ago. St. Paul studied here for three years and Herod the Great came from Petra. After our visit to Petra, we travel north to Amman for dinner and overnight

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT AMMAN

March 28

Amman / Jesus Baptismal Site / Allenby Bridge /  
Bedouin Lunch / Bethlehem / Jerusalem

This morning, we travel to the site that scholars say is the authentic site where John the Baptist baptized. Walk the many paths that allow pilgrims to touch some of the natural spring water that John used during his ministry. Via the Allenby Bridge we cross back into Israel. Our Israeli guides will be waiting for us to take us to Jerusalem. We ascend the Judean Hills stopping for an authentic Bedouin lunch in "Abraham's tent." Arriving in Jerusalem, we visit more sites and, if the situation permits, drive to nearby Bethlehem for a visit to the Church of the Nativity, viewing the Shepherd's Fields and the Fields of Boaz and Ruth.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT JERUSALEM

March 29 Jerusalem / Old City / Western Wall / Kotel Tunnel / St. Stephen's Gate / Pool of Bethesda / Via Dolorosa / Room of the Last Supper / King David's Tomb  
Drive to the Mount of Olives for an outstanding view of the city and surrounding area. Visit the Chapel of the Ascension, Garden of Gethsemane, and Church of All Nations. See the Kidron Valley, Tomb of Absalom, Zachariah and James. Our morning walking tour is of the Old City. We proceed to the Temple area on Mt. Moriah, see the Dome of the Rock, see Mosque El Aqsa, visit the Western Wall, the Kotel Tunnel, Golden Gate and the Pinnacle. St. Stephen's Gate, the Pool of Bethesda, the Chapel of the Flagellation, and the Ecce Homo Arch. We view the Gabbatha pavement and continue through the Bazaar to the last stations of the Via Dolorosa. We also visit the Cardo, followed by Mt. Zion, the Room of the Last Supper and King David's Tomb.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT JERUSALEM

March 30 Jerusalem New City / Davidson Center / Yad Vashem / Shrine of the Book / Garden Tomb

This morning, we will visit the Davidson Center, a recently excavated archeological site near the southern wall of Temple Mount in the Old City. Afterwards we proceed, via the Hebrew University and the Knesset, to the Israel Museum. Visit Yad Vashem, the holocaust memorial. Visit the Shrine of the Book where the Dead Sea Scroll collection is exhibited. Climaxing the day, we visit the Garden Tomb for an orientation beside Gordon's Calvary and a meaningful time of communion together.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT JERUSALEM

March 31 Jerusalem / Ein Gedi / Masada  
Leave Jerusalem on our way to the Shore of the Dead Sea -the deepest point on earth (1400 feet below sea level). Drive along the Dead Sea via Ein Fescha to Masada. Ascend to Masada by cable car to visit these magnificent ruins. Masada is the fortress where from 70-73 AD Jewish Zealots made the last stand against the Roman Empire. Then drive to the Nature Reserve at Ein Gedi, where King David found shelter from the rage of King Saul. Enjoy a short swim in the Dead Sea and return to Jerusalem via the Judean Wilderness

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT JERUSALEM

April 1 Jerusalem  
We've seen spectacular sights, enjoyed unforgettable experiences together and alone. We've sung frequently, laughed a lot, cried a little, built lifelong relationships and, best of all, gained a unique appreciation and familiarity with God's Word that only comes with "being there." Our last morning in Jerusalem is yours to savor. Sightsee, shop, and share with friends over lunch, relax. After check out from your hotel, we travel to Elah Valley where David slew Goliath and to Maresha, a city of Judah given to the clan of Caleb (Josh 15:44). In the later afternoon we travel toward Tel Aviv and stop in Jaffa, the home of Simon the Tanner and where Jonah embarked on his appointment with the great fish. We enjoy dinner in a local restaurant in Jaffa before transferring to Ben Gurion airport for our late night flight home.

DINNER JERUSALEM

April 2 Jerusalem / USA  
We arrive midday in San Francisco today

Our price includes:

1. Coach class flight on USAir from San Francisco to Tel Aviv and return
2. 11 nights lodging double occupancy in superior tourist class hotels.
3. Full Israeli breakfast and dinner daily.
4. Breakfast and dinner daily in Jordan.
5. A Bedouin Lunch between Jordan and Jerusalem

6. Touring coach and English-speaking, government-licensed guide in Israel and Jordan on sightseeing days.
7. Transfers to / from airport and hotels in Israel.
8. Entrances to sites listed in itinerary and including:
  - a. A visit to Nazareth Village,
  - b. A Bedouin Lunch in Abraham's Tent in the Judean Wilderness
  - c. A visit to the Kotel Tunnel along the Western Wall
  - d. A visit to the Davidson Center near the Temple Mount
9. Porterage of 1 piece of luggage per person on arrival and departure from each hotel
10. Emergency medical insurance for the whole group.
11. Local government hotel taxes at the current prevailing rates in Israel and Jordan.

**Not included in the above quotation:**

Government taxes on airline tickets, airport taxes, border taxes and fuel charges.

Tips and gratuities to drivers, guides or headwaiters

Meals other than those specifically mentioned

Personal spending money for drinks, souvenirs, laundry, etc.

Transfers to or from SFO and passenger's home or organization.

Travel insurance except for the emergency medical insurance mentioned above.

Cost of obtaining passports, visas, border crossings, handling fees, excess baggage and forwarding of baggage, entrance fees not mentioned, optional tours, transportation from cities other than San Francisco CA and vice versa, tips for personal favors, and costs resulting from absence or deviation from the itinerary and any items not mentioned as being included.

**AIRLINE SCHEDULE:** USAir Confirmation Number DM3K6Z

Monday, Mar 21	LV	San Francisco	8:25 AM	US 964
	AR	Philadelphia	4:43 PM	
	LV	Philadelphia	9:10 PM	US 796
Tuesday, Mar 22	AR	Tel Aviv	2:05 PM	
Friday, Apr 1	LV	Tel Aviv	11:55 PM	US 797
Saturday, Apr 2	AR	Philadelphia	5:30 AM	
	LV	Philadelphia	7:40 AM	US 657
	AR	San Francisco	11:01 AM	

**HOTELS**

TEL AVIV

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Exercise discretion if engaging in unscheduled, independent activities. It is suggested that you join with four or more others in such excursions. Stand by and assist if a fellow member of your group encounters a problem.

Be aware that holding a bus beyond its scheduled departure time may be ordered only when the tour leader, in his/her discretion, determines that there is an emergency.

#### **SPECIAL NOTE**

Because of the serious threat to members who suffer allergic reactions to cosmetic scents, we ask that you please do not use perfumes or strongly scented cosmetics on the bus.

#### **ISRAEL CRIME**

The crime rate is moderate in Israel.

There have been increased reports of harassment of tourists by vendors in many tourist areas of Jerusalem, including, in particular, the Mount of Olives. Also for safety in general, American citizens should exercise extreme caution and avoid, to the extent possible, shopping and market areas, pedestrian walkways, malls, public buses and bus stops, trains and train stations, as well as crowded areas and demonstrations.

**JORDAN: CRIME** is generally not a serious problem for travelers in Jordan, but petty crime is prevalent in the downtown Amman Hashimiyah Square area and near the Roman Theater. In the narrow streets of the Old City, crowded conditions invite pickpockets and other petty criminals. It is safer to travel in groups when visiting the center of Amman. Travelers are urged to be more guarded in these areas so that they do not present easy opportunities for criminals. Purse-snatchings in central and western Amman are reportedly on the increase. In several cases, thieves in moving vehicles snatched pedestrians' purses and drove off. In some instances, victims were injured when they were unable to free themselves from their purses. When carrying a purse, it would be wise to conceal it if possible, to avoid walking near the road within reach of passing vehicles, and to walk against the flow of traffic.

Before traveling please consult the following website for tips re safety:

**[http://travel.state.gov/travel/tips/safety/safety\\_1747.html](http://travel.state.gov/travel/tips/safety/safety_1747.html)**

#### **PACKING TIPS**

- √ Plan for variations in weather from warm to cold to rain. Bring layers. Think washable, wrinkle-free, cool and compact.
- √ Comfortable shoes are a MUST! (lots of uneven walkways)
- √ Take toiletries in small containers – just the amount needed. Take disposable items that can be tossed when you are finished.
- √ Plan for medication, health and hygiene needs. You may not be able to run out and buy what you need.
- √ Ship purchases home whenever possible. Carry as few as possible.
- √ Make a list of luggage contents and approximate value in case you have to fill out a baggage claim form.
- √ Practice Pack! Lay out everything and start packing by priority. (Write it down; then pare it down!)
- √ Take 50 \$1 bills. These can get you through many situations.
- √ Carry a bag to see you through all emergencies (Kleenex, towelettes, passport, cash, ID, credit card/traveler's checks, your hotel list, local maps, something edible. Buy water after security.
- √ CLOTHING: casual clothing, walking shoes, underwear, nighties, sweater/light jacket, rain poncho, minimum jewelry.
- √ MAKE-UP ITEMS and TOILETRIES: Keep a meticulous list over a week's period of the "stuff" you cannot live without.
- √ HEALTH ITEMS - vitamins, aspirin, medications, extra pair of glasses and a copy of your Rx, contact lens stuff, laxative, diarrhea needs, decongestant.
- √ PASSPORT / CREDIT CARD/ATM CARD/TRAVELER'S CHECKS!!\* (Most items forgotten from above can be replaced with these!

√ MISC.: Bible. Consider also the following: small sewing kit, plastic folding cup, wash cloth, mirror, shower cap, small scissors, travel alarm, curling iron, hair dryer (alt. Current), travel iron, camera, film, umbrella, voltage adaptor, outlet adaptor, watch, other books and small binoculars.

ADDITIONAL ADVICE

Be aware and be careful.

Always carry small coins in local currency.

Fruit and cheese from a local vendor might



ONE FORM PER INDIVIDUAL

**PASTOR BERNARD BELL  
PENINSULA BIBLE CHURCH / CUPERTINO CA**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **Name Tag “**\_\_\_\_\_ **”**

*First, Middle and Last name exactly as it appears on your passport*

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY** \_\_\_\_\_ **ST** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP** \_\_\_\_\_

**ROOMMATE** \_\_\_\_\_  *non smoking*  
*If none indicated,  smoking*

**HOME PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_ **WORK PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_ **CELL PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_

**PASSPORT #** \_\_\_\_\_ **ISSUE PLACE** \_\_\_\_\_ **EXP DATE** \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

**Gender:** *M F* • **Date of Birth** \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ • **Birthplace** \_\_\_\_\_ • **Citizenship** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I HAVE ENCLOSED A DEPOSIT PAYMENT OF \$ 500.00.**

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*I have read and agree to the terms and conditions printed on the next page.*

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*I am interested in additional cancellation insurance.*

**Passenger signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

**Please send form with deposit to:  
International Christian Journeys  
20380 Town Center Lane, Ste 225 – Cupertino CA 95014**

*(note: you may register on this site but are not enrolled until we receive your deposit)*

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Your retention of tickets, reservations or bookings after issuance shall constitute a consent to the above and agreement on your part to the current price and exchange rates and may be subject to change without notice prior to departure. The price is a special group rate based upon all passengers following the same itinerary. There will be a \$200.00 per person charge to any individual who wishes to deviate from the tour plus any difference in the airfare. There will be a \$200 surcharge for passengers purchasing the land tour without the air transportation.

Full trip cancellation insurance is recommended. All notices of cancellation must be in writing.

#### **SPECIAL NOTE:**

**All passports must be valid for six (6) months  
after the date of your return.**