



Peninsula Bible Church Cupertino

Israel and Jordan Itinerary

June 4 - 18, 2011 (15 Days)

Pastor Bernard and Sue Bell

\$4,592 per person-double occupancy

Land only **\$3,648** per person-double occupancy

Single Supplement **\$1,050**

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 15 days as part of the PBCC family should be very enjoyable. I invite you to join us.

Bernard Bell

Saturday, June 4, 2011 **Transatlantic**

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

ENROUTE TRANSATLANTIC

Sunday, June 5, 2011

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

Monday, June 6, 2011

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.

<i>Day 1</i>	<i>Transatlantic</i>
<i>Day 2</i>	<i>Tel Aviv</i>
<i>Day 3</i>	<i>Caesarea / Mt. Carmel / Mukraka / Nazareth / Galilee</i>
<i>Day 4</i>	<i>Sepphoris / Megiddo / Mt. Tabor / Beth Shean / Gideon Springs / Galilee</i>
<i>Day 5</i>	<i>Boat Ride / Mt of Beatitudes / Tabgha / Capernaum / Bethsaida / Kursi / Susita</i>
<i>Day 6</i>	<i>Gamla / Golan Heights / Tel Dan / Caesarea Philippi</i>
<i>Day 7</i>	<i>Galilee / Jerash / Mount Nebo / Mount Nebo / Petra</i>
<i>Day 8</i>	<i>Petra / Amman</i>
<i>Day 9</i>	<i>Amman / Jesus Baptismal Site / Allenby Bridge / Bedouin Lunch / Herodion / Bethlehem / Jerusalem</i>
<i>Day 10</i>	<i>Dead Sea / Qumran / Ein Gedi / Masada</i>
<i>Day 11</i>	<i>Beit Guvrin / Dig Program / Valley Ella / Neot Kedumin</i>
<i>Day 12</i>	<i>City of David / Hezekiah Tunnel / Davidson Center</i>
<i>Day 13</i>	<i>Jerusalem / Old City / Western Wall / Kotel Tunnel / St. Stephen's Gate / Pool of Bethesda / Via Dolorosa / Room of Last Supper / King David's Tomb Jerusalem / Ein Gedi / Masada</i>
<i>Day 14</i>	<i>Jerusalem New City / Yad Vashem / Shrine of the Book / Garden Tomb / Jaffa / Departure</i>
<i>Day 15</i>	<i>Trans-Atlantic to USA</i>

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

Tuesday, June 7, 2011

Sepphoris/Megiddo/Mt. Tabor/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 Mt. Tabor where Deborah and Barak defeated the forces of Sisera. Then we drive 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 hotel by way of Gideon Springs where Gideon chose the 300 to fight the Midianites.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT GALILEE

Wednesday, June 8, 2011

**Boat Ride / Mount of Beatitudes / Tabgha / Capernaum /
Bethsaida / Kursi / Susita**

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. Continue to Capernaum, the city of Jesus and to Bethsaida where Jesus healed the blind man and the home of Peter, Philip and Andrew. Drive to Kursi, site of the miracle of the swine and where Jesus fed the 4000. We continue to the nearby Susita, one of the Decapolis cities. This area "Hyppos" may have been one of the world's first Christian metropolitan communities.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT GALILEE

Thursday, June 9, 2011

Gamla / Golan Heights / Tel Dan / Caesarea Philippi

Drive to Gamla, one of the cities which battled the Romans and referred to as the "Masada of the Golan". Continue north on the Golan Heights to ancient Tel Dan, the location where the Dan Tribe emigrated. See the unearthed city gates, a paved road and remains of fortifications. See the Banias Springs, the source of the Jordan River and Caesarea Philippi where Peter confessed Christ as Messiah.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT GALILEE

Friday, June 10, 2011

Galilee / Jerash / Mount Nebo / Madaba / 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. Continue to the 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 and then to Madaba Archaeological Park with its well preserved Byzantine Mosaics. See the 6th century AD mosaic map of Jerusalem and the Holy Land at the Church of St. George. Continue southwards on the desert highway to Petra.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT PETRA

Saturday, June 11, 2011

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

Sunday, June 12, 2011

**Amman / Jesus Baptismal Site / Allenby Bridge /
Bedouin Lunch / Herodion / 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." After the Bedouin hospitality, we continue to Herodion, a conical shaped mountain built by King Herod. Unearthed remains include a synagogue, a residence and a bathhouse. If the situation permits, we

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 on our way to Jerusalem.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT JERUSALEM

Monday, June 13, 2011

Dead Sea / Qumran / 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). Visit Qumran and see one of the caves where the Dead Sea scrolls were discovered. Continue to the Nature Reserve at Ein Gedi, where King David found shelter from the rage of King Saul. 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. Enjoy a short swim in the Dead Sea and return to Jerusalem via the Judean Wilderness

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT JERUSALEM

Tuesday, June 14, 2011

Beit Guvrin / Dig Program / Valley of Ella / Neot Kedumim

Drive to the Roman Byzantine city of Beit Guvrin and enjoy a "Dig for a Day" program. The activity includes: digging, sifting, pottery examination and touring the National Park of Beit Guvrin with an exciting crawl through unexcavated cave systems. Vast underground labyrinths of man-made rooms are being systematically cleaned and give evidence of underground industrial complexes dating from the Hellenistic period. Remains of olive oil production, weaving installations, water cisterns and baths confirm a high level of material culture. Explore the extraordinary stalactite caves at Sorek, home of Delilah and the nearby Tel Maresha - a biblical city built by Rehoboam and mentioned in Joshua and the book of Chronicles. Drive thru the Valley of Ella - David's contest with Goliath to Neot Kedumim - a Biblical Landscape Reserve, showing various Biblical and Talmudic plants, wild and domesticated animals, ancient and reconstructed olive and wine presses, threshing floors, cisterns and ritual baths. Return to Jerusalem.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT JERUSALEM

Wednesday, June 15, 2011

City of David / Hezekiah Tunnel / Davidson Center

The City of David is where Jerusalem started. Visit the excavated fortresses and passageways from David's conquest of the Jebusite city as described in the 2nd book of Samuel. Visit the Siloam pool on the southern slope and Hezekiah's Tunnel that runs from the Gihon Springs to the Pool of Siloam. This tunnel acted as an aqueduct to provide Jerusalem with water during a siege. We then drive to the Ophel Garden - a recently excavated archeological site near the southern wall of Temple Mount in the Old City. See a multimedia presentation developed by UCLA at the Davidson Center that shows that Temple at the time of Jesus.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT JERUSALEM

Thursday, June 16, 2011

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

Friday, June 17, 2011

Jerusalem New City / Yad Vashem / Shrine of the Book / Garden Tomb / Jaffa / Departure

Drive to Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Memorial Museum dedicated to the six million Jews murdered by the Nazis during the Second World War. Continue to the Israel Museum and the Shrine of the Book, where the Dead Sea Scrolls are on display. View the scale model of Jerusalem during the Second Temple Era. Climaxing the day, we visit the Garden Tomb for an orientation beside Gordon's Calvary and a meaningful time of communion together. Depart Jerusalem and drive to Jaffa, one of the oldest port cities

in the world, traditionally believed to have been founded by Japheth, son of Noah. Jonah embarked from here to Tashish. After a Farewell dinner in Jaffa we transfer to Ben Gurion airport for our late night departure for the USA

FAREWELL DINNER IN JAFFA - DEPARTURE

Saturday, June 18, 2011

Arrival back in USA

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."

We arrive midday back in San Francisco

Our price includes:

1. Coach class flight on USAir from San Francisco to Tel Aviv and return
2. 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 and hospitality
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 visit to the Kotel Tunnel along the Western Wall
 - c. 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:

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Tips and gratuities to drivers, guides or headwaiters

Meals other than those specifically mentioned

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