

11- NIGHT PROGRAM Catalyst Tour: Real Life Church with Pastor Steve Murray Jan 25 - Feb 5, 2022

Included

- 11 nights' accommodation, double occupancy, at the following hotels, or similar replacement hotel as necessary:
 - o Tal Hotel or Similar (Tel Aviv), 2 Nights.
 - o Kibbutz Ginosar or Similar (Galilee), 4 Nights.
 - o Prima Royale or Similar (Jerusalem), 5 nights.
- 2 MEJDI guides for 10 days
- Customary tips for hotels, guides, driver, and restaurants
- Entry and Speaker fees for the sites and speakers mentioned in the itinerary
- Bus transportation for 11 days including 1 group departure transfer.
- Breakfast each day and meals indicated as included in the itinerary (11 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 9 dinners)
- Water bottles on bus during touring days
- Headsets during tour days
- US and Jerusalem based customer service representatives

Not included:

- International Flights
- Travel insurance-HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
- Single supplement- \$1,000 per person
- Meals not mentioned in the itinerary
- Transportation not mentioned in itinerary
- Anything not explicitly listed as included

Pricing: \$3399 per person (for double room accommodations)



Itinerary:

Day 1: Tue Jan 25: Arrival and Overnight Tal Tel Aviv

- Participants arrive in Tel Aviv on own arrival transportation options will be provided and private transportation can be arranged.
- Lunch on your own
- Welcome meeting in hotel
- Dinner on own (dinner plans will be coordinated with group leader)

Hotel: Tal Hotel or similar, Tel Aviv

Day 2: Wed Jan 26: Jaffa and Tel Aviv

- Breakfast at hotel
- Meet guides
- Dual narrative tour of Jaffa
- Visit kindergarten run by a Jewish-Muslim couple
- Group lunch in Jaffa
- After Lunch visit Neve Tsedek, the first neighborhood of Tel Aviv
- Late afternoon and dinner on own to explore Tel Aviv (not included)

Hotel: Tal Hotel or similar, Tel Aviv (meals included: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 3: Thr, Jan 27: Northern Coast

- Breakfast at hotel
- 8:00 am Check out of the hotel and drive North
- Tour Caesarea Maritima
- Early lunch in Haifa with a panel of local NGOs (included)
- Head towards your kibbutz on the Galilee
- Visit the Jesus Boat Museum
- Dinner at the kibbutz (included)

Hotel: Kibbutz Ginosar Village or similar, Galilee (meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day 4: Fri, Jan 28: Safed and the Golan

- Breakfast at kibbutz
- Visit Safed and learn about Jewish mysticism
- Visit a Druze village (Beit Jann) and learn more about the Druze religion, which incorporates elements of Islam and Hinduism
- Have lunch with a local family (included)
- Dinner at the kibbutz (included)



Hotel: Kibbutz Ginosar Village or similar, Galilee (meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day 5: Sat, Jan 29: Safed and Beit Jann

- Breakfast at kibbutz
- Travel to Nazareth and visit Visit Nazareth Village, a re-creation of First Century Galilee life
- Then visit the White Mosque, and meet with Sheikh Manasra, and enjoy lunch in Nazareth on your own (not included)
- In the afternoon, meet with Young Life Leaders from Nazareth before heading back to the kibbutz for dinner (included)

Hotel: Kibbutz Ginosar Village or similar, Galilee (meals included: Breakfast, Dinner)

Day 6: Sun, Jan 30

- Breakfast at kibbutz
- Worship together on your group's private boat ride on the Galilee
- Visit Capernaum, Tabgha, and Mt of Beatitudes
- Enjoy the pilgrim's tradition of St. Peter fish lunch (included)
- Visit the Tavor mountain reserve and Mount Tavor
- Dinner at the kibbutz

Hotel: Kibbutz Ginosar Village or similar, Galilee (meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day 7: Mon, Jan 31

- Breakfast at Kibbutz
- Head south down the Jordan Valley and stop for a short visit in Jericho.
- Make a stop at the Jordan River baptismal site.
- Lunch on your own (not included but reduced price with park ticket)
- Float in the Dead Sea at Kalia beach
- Visit Qumran, site of the discovery of the Dead Sea scrolls
- Ascend to Jerusalem for check-in and dinner at your hotel.

Hotel: YMCA Three Arches or similar (meals included: Breakfast, Dinner)

Day 8: Tue, Feb 1

- Breakfast at hotel
- Overview the Old City from one of the peaks to the East of it
- Visit Noble Sanctuary / Temple Mount and see the Dome of the Rock and Al-Aqsa Mosque, the 3rd holiest site in Islam
- Meet with Dr. Mostafa Abu Sway, an Islamic scholar, in the Muslim Quarter



- Hummus lunch in the Old City (included)
- Visit the Western Wall
- Head along a portion of the Via Dolorosa to Church of the Holy Sepulchre
- Tour the Holy Sepulchre, and make an additional visit to the Garden Tomb.
- Dinner at the hotel (included) with guest speaker Dr. Rabbi Daniel Roth, an expert on religion and conflict resolution

Hotel: Prima Royale or similar (Jerusalem), (meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day 9: Wed, Feb 2: Jerusalem

- Breakfast at hotel
- Visit Mt. Hertzl
- Visit Yad Vashem and have a discussion with a holocaust survivor
- Lunch on own at Yad Vashem or Ein Kerem (not included)
- Visit Ein Karem where John the Baptist believed to have been born. Discuss ancient and modern significance with your two guides.
- Dinner at the hotel (included) with guest speakers from Parents Circle Family Forum.

Hotel: Prima Royale or similar (Jerusalem), (meals included: Breakfast, Dinner)

Day 10: Thr, Feb. 3

- Breakfast at hotel
- Drive to Bethlehem. See the Separation Wall, and visit with a representative from Bethlehem Bible College.
- Join Noor Women's Empowerment Group in Aida Refugee Camp.
- In the afternoon, visit the Church of the Nativity and Shepherd's Field before returning to Jerusalem with time to prepare for a special dinner out.
- In the evening, head to Bethany for dinner and party with a Palestinian family and live music from a local musical group.

Hotel: Prima Royale or similar (Jerusalem), (meals included: Breakfast, Dinner)

Day 11: Fri, Feb 4: FREE DAY

- Breakfast at hotel
- FREE DAY! (Recommended activities will be provided. Ex: have lunch in Jerusalem's famous Mehane Yehuda market, visit the Israel Museum (not included)
- Return to the hotel to prep and then enjoy a shabbat dinner with a host family (included).



Hotel: Prima Royale or similar (Jerusalem), (meals included: Breakfast, Dinner)

Day 12: Sat, Feb 5

- Breakfast at hotel
- Those not opting for extension: Group departure transfer will be arranged.
- Others: Begin extension to Jordan (2 days) and Egypt (3 days), and then returning to US from Cairo.

(meals included: Breakfast)

An Optional Extension tour to Jordan and Egypt will also be offered following the primary tour (2 days in Jordan and 3 in Egypt). The extension tour requires a minimum of 15 travelers in order to run. Email Catalyst Travel at catalysttravel@hotmail.com if you are interested in the extension tour.