

## Strengthening Your Faith Tour of the Holy Land

I took my first trip to Israel in 1998 and I can say without hesitation that as a Christ follower, it changed my life. This will be my sixth tour there. I love to travel; I have been in a number of wonderful places throughout the world, both on tours and mission trips, but nothing has affected me so profoundly as Israel. There is no adequate way to describe the sensation you have when you stand where Jesus stood, or feel the wind as you cross the Sea of Galilee by boat, or smell the delightful smells of Israel. Then, when you come back to the U.S.A. and open your Bible to a Scripture passage describing somewhere you have been in Israel, wow! The tour accommodations are great; the coach drivers are the best, and the tour guides are walking encyclopedias. I really hope you will go on this trip for you will never be the same again. Other lands will stay in your memory; Israel will stay in your heart.



*Pastor Tim & Debbie Shrader*

<b>DATES:</b>	March 12 - 21, 2012
<b>PRICE:</b>	\$CALL per person Double occupancy
<b>1st DEPOSIT:</b>	\$200.00 Per person Due August 1, 2011
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> DEPOSIT</b>	\$200.00 Per Person Due October 1, 2011
<b>FINAL PAYMENT:</b>	Due January 10, 2012



**The Garden Tomb**

### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Round-trip flight from Chicago to Tel Aviv
- Round-trip transfer from airport to hotels
- 1 night Natanya
- 3 Nights - Galilee
- 3 Nights – Jerusalem
- Meeting and assistance at airport
- Breakfast & dinner daily
- Fish lunch & boat ride on Sea of Galilee
- Farewell Dinner in a Middle Eastern restaurant
- Private English speaking tour guide
- Private air-conditioned motor-coach
- Entrance fees, portage
- [Please note what is not included under Terms & Conditions.](#)

### Daily Itinerary:

#### **MONDAY MARCH 12** **DEPARTURE FLIGHT TO ISRAEL**

Today we depart from Chicago to Tel Aviv, Israel. Enjoy on-board meals and entertainment as we cross the Atlantic Ocean on our way to Israel.

#### **TUESDAY MARCH 13** **ARRIVE IN TEL AVIV/TOUR OF JAFFA/CAESAREA**

Arrive in Israel. Meet a representative who will assist you through customs. Meet your guide and proceed for a short tour of Jaffa, (Joppa), to visit the location of Simon the Tanner's House. Continue to Caesarea, once a proud Roman port city dating back to the time of Pontius Pilate. View Herod's Palace and the monumental Roman amphitheater built in the days of Christ. From here we drive to our hotel, located on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea. A refreshing Jaffa orange juice will be waiting for you upon arrival. (D)

***Overnight Ramada Hotel - Natanya***

#### **WEDNESDAY MARCH 14** **MT.CARMEL/MEGIDDO/NAZARETH/CANA/ GIDEON'S SPRINGS**

After breakfast we drive to Mt. Carmel, where Elijah held a contest against the false prophets of Baal. Next, travel to Megiddo, overlooking the plains of Armageddon and visit the site of the 21 superimposed cities. Not far from here are Gideon's Springs where Gideon's army drank the water before the fateful battle on Mount Gilboa. We will now travel to Nazareth where Jesus spent the silent years of his life and visit the Church of Annunciation. Afterwards, visit Cana, site of the first miracle where Jesus turned water to wine. An optional renewal of marriage vows service will be held. We will now drive to our hotel located in the Galilee. (B/D)

***Overnight Leonardo Club Hotel - Tiberias***

**THURSDAY MARCH 15****MT. BEATITUDES/TABGHA/CHURCH OF PRIMACY/CAPERNAUM/BOAT RIDE-FISH LUNCH/BEIT SHEAN**

After breakfast the first stop will be the Mt. Beatitudes. Near here Jesus gave the Beatitudes and taught on many occasions. Here he also performed many of the miracles. Travel to Tabgha, to commemorate the miracle of the multiplication of the fish and loaves to feed 5000. Nearby we will visit the Church of Primacy, where Jesus appeared to his disciples after his resurrection. Continue to Capernaum where much of the Galilean Ministry took place. Afterwards, enjoy a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee and hear how Jesus calmed the stormy sea and walked upon these waters. Enjoy a traditional St. Peter's fish lunch. We will now drive to Beit Shean, a well preserved Byzantine City. (B,L,D)

***Overnight Leonardo Club Hotel - Tiberias***

**FRIDAY MARCH 16****KIBBUTZ TOUR/GOLAN/CAESAREA PHILIPPI/MOUNT OF TRANSFIGURATION/TEL DAN/KORAZIM/GADARENES/BAPTISMAL SITE**

After breakfast begin the day with a tour of the Kibbutz and explore this unique way of life. From here we ascend the Golan Heights. Our guide will explain why this area is so vital to Israel's security. Visit the sacred site of Caesarea Philippi and view Mount Hermon from a high meadow laden with wild flowers. Mount Hermon is believed to be the location where Jesus underwent his transfiguration. Not far from here is Tel Dan. The site is identified with the Biblical city of Dan, the northernmost city in the Kingdom of Israel. The Dan Nature Reserve is one of the three sources of the Jordan River. We will now descend the Golan Heights and visit Korazim and Gadarenes. We end the day at Yardenit Baptismal site on the Jordan River where time will be available for an optional baptismal service. (B,D)

***Overnight Leonardo Club Hotel - Tiberias***

**SATURDAY MARCH 17****MASSADA/DEAD SEA/KING DAVID'S WATERFALLS/QUMRAN/JERUSALEM**

After breakfast we drive through the Jordan Valley to Massada. Ascend by cable car. Our guide will take us on a fascinating tour of this mountain where 960 Jewish defenders organized the last resistance to the Roman Conquerors. Descend Massada and travel to Kibbutz Ein Gedi to view King David's Waterfalls and then to the Dead Sea for an optional float in the salty waters. Our next stop is at Qumran, the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered. We will now ascend the Judean Hills to the "Eternal City of God" – Jerusalem. (B/D)

***Overnight Renaissance Hotel - Jerusalem***

**SUNDAY MARCH 18****MT. OF OLIVES/OLD CITY OF JERUSALEM/WESTERN WALL/GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE/CAIAPHAS' HOUSE & DUNGEON/COURTYARD OF PETER'S DENIA/VIA DOLOROSA**

At the start of the morning we drive to the crest of Mt. of Olives where the Old City of Jerusalem unfolds before us. Continue for visits to the Garden of Gethsemane, the high priest Caiaphas' House & Dungeon, the Courtyard of Peter's Denial, the Upper Room of the Last Supper and David's Tomb. Visit the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, Western Wall and Cardo. We end the tour as we walk along the Via Dolorosa, (Way of the Cross). (B,D)

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**MONDAY MARCH 19****MODEL/SHRINE OF THE BOOK/KNESSET/HOLOCAUST MUSEUM/ECCE HOMO ARCH/POOLS OF BETHESDA/SANTA ANA CHURCH/GARDEN TOMB**

After breakfast we begin with a visit to a large outdoor model of the Herodian City of Jerusalem dating back to the time of the Second Temple. Visit the Shrine of the Book, where the Dead Sea Scrolls are on display. View the Knesset, (Israeli Parliament), and then a visit to Yad Vashem - Memorial to the six million Jews that lost their lives in the Holocaust. Continue for a visit of the Ecce Homo Arch, the Pools of Bethesda and the nearby Santa Ana Church. Next, we drive to the Garden Tomb where a Communion Service will be held. (B,D)

***Overnight Renaissance Hotel - Jerusalem***

**TUESDAY MARCH 20****FREE DAY IN JERUSALEM/OPTIONAL TOUR/FAREWELL DINNER/TRANSFER TO AIRPORT**

Breakfast in hotel. Leisure day... Enjoy! An optional tour to sites that were not included in the tour will be offered to you. In the evening, enjoy a special Farewell Dinner in a Middle Eastern restaurant and say **SHALOM** to our guide. After dinner we transfer to the airport for our flight home. **Your rooms will be available until 1:00 PM** (B,D)

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 21****MIDNIGHT FLIGHT TO USA**

Our flight home will depart Israel a few minutes after Midnight of March 20th.

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## **TERMS & CONDITIONS - READ CAREFULLY**

**RESERVATIONS & SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS:** All reservations for this tour are confirmed upon receipt of your Registration Form and a non-refundable deposit of \$200.00 per person, which is due upon reservation and no later than August 1, 2011. A second deposit of \$200.00 is due October 1, 2011. Final payment is due January 10, 2012.

**HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS & SITES:** All hotel accommodations are based on double occupancy with private bath. **NOTE:** We will attempt to find a roommate for single travelers desiring to share a room. However, if we are unable to find a roommate, or you do not accept our selection, the single room supplement will apply. The sequence of visits to sites may change according to the discretion of the tour operator and guide if they deem necessary. In case sequence is changed, all items on the itinerary will still be covered.

**CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS:** The First & Second deposits of \$400.00 are non-refundable. Final payment is fully refundable, (excluding the non-refundable deposit of \$400.00 per person), until January 10, 2012.

**Cancellations after January 10, 2012 become non-refundable and can only be recovered through a travel insurance policy. Please note that deposits and final payments for the tour cannot be changed from one person to another.** All cancellations **must** be made in writing to Heavenly Tours. Travel insurance is highly recommended.

**UNUSED SERVICES:** No refund will be available for unused touring, meals or any other program components stated in the itinerary.

**PASSPORT & VISA:** Valid passport for 6 months after the tour has ended is required. Visa to enter Israel is not required from U.S. Citizens. Complete Passport information as requested in the enclosed Registration Form must be submitted to Heavenly International Tours prior to January 10, 2012.

**TAXES & FEES INCLUDED:** Entrance fees to all sites on scheduled tours. Portage of **ONE** suitcase per person is included.

**FEES NOT INCLUDED:** Passport Fees, Travel Insurance, meals, drinks, wines, liquors and beverages not mentioned in itinerary. Items of personal nature such as phone calls, laundry, room service and sites other than those mentioned. Transfer to O'Hare Airport is optional and is not included in the price of the tour.

### **ADDITIONAL CHARGES:**

Tips to guide, driver and hotel staff are not included, (**Approximately \$130.00 per person**). Airport Departure Taxes, Security Fees and Fuel Surcharges, charged by airlines and Governments, are not included and will be invoiced to you with your final payment. The rates of the Taxes & Fees in March 2012 will be determined when flight tickets are issued. The current rate of Taxes & Fees is \$600.00.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE:** Travel Insurance is optional. However, we highly suggest and recommend the purchase of insurance. It is suggested that the insurance premium will be paid directly to the insurance company at the time of your initial deposit in order to cover the "Pre-existing Conditions Clause" of the insurance. You can purchase Travel Insurance online via Heavenly Tours' Web Site [www.heavenlytours.com](http://www.heavenlytours.com)

**AIR & LAND FARES:** Air and land rates of this tour are based on current tariffs in effect for today, May 16, 2011. Flight tickets for this tour are based on **NON-REFUNDABLE** group airfare. The price of the tour is based on a minimum of 20 persons traveling together.

**PURCHASE OF MERCHANDISE:** Heavenly International Tours is not to be held responsible for any item/s purchased during the tour, not for their quality nor their prices. All and any purchase will be the sole responsibility of the buyer.

**METHOD OF PAYMENTS:** Check or Money Order only, made payable to: **Heavenly International Tours.**

**LUGGAGE:** Each person is allowed (1) suitcase and a carry-on only, which will be handled for you throughout the tour. Maximum size of suitcase is 29" high and maximum weight is 50 pounds.

**TOUR DATES:** As in any trans-Atlantic flight, tour dates may slightly change according to the requirements of the participating air carrier. Please allow yourself some flexibility. In the event dates and times of flights are changed, Heavenly Tours will not be held responsible and refunds will not be available based on this reason.

### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

**If you do not have a current passport, please apply within the proper time limit. It can take 6 - 8 weeks to process a new Passport.**

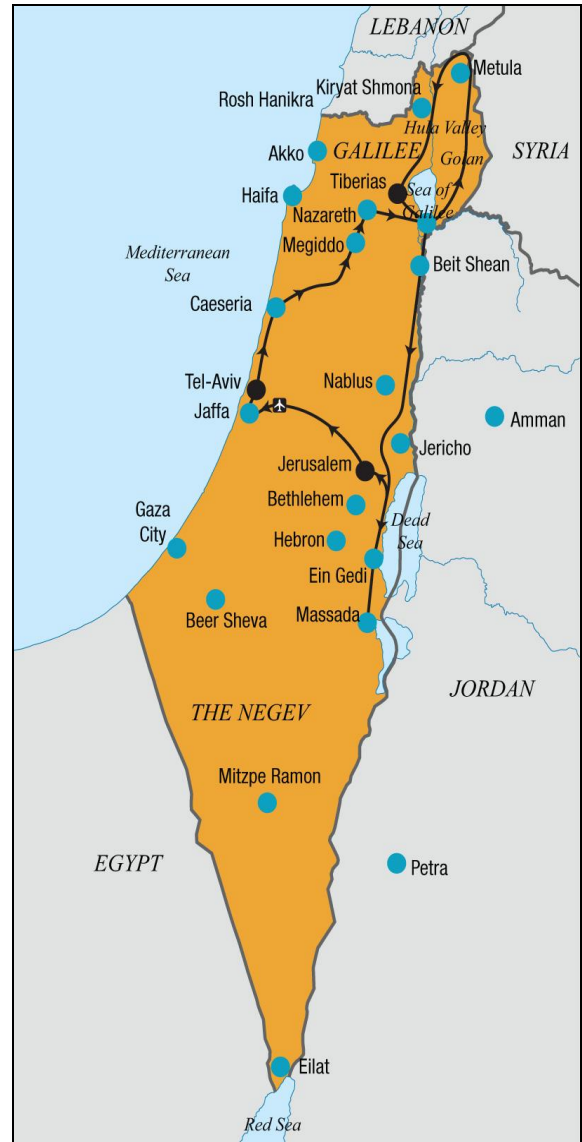
**Please note that your Passport must be valid for at least 6 months after the tour has ended.**

## RESPONSIBILITY / DISCLAIMERS STATEMENTS

Heavenly International Tours acts only as an agent for the various independent suppliers that provide hotel accommodations, transportation, sightseeing, activities or other services connected with this tour. Such services are subject to the terms and conditions of those suppliers. Heavenly International Tours and its respective employees, agents, representatives, and assigns accept no liability whatsoever for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or any other incident which may be caused by the negligence, defect, default of any company or person performing these services. Responsibility is not accepted for losses, injury, damages or expenses of any kind due to sickness, weather, strikes, hostilities, wars, terrorist acts, acts of nature, local laws or other such causes. All services and accommodations are subject to the laws and regulations of the country in which they are provided. Heavenly International Tours is not responsible for any baggage or personal effects of any individual participating in tours which have been arranged by Heavenly International Tours. Travelers are responsible for purchasing a travel insurance policy that will cover expenses associated with medical emergency, tour interruption, loss of luggage and other personal effects.

Your travel arrangements are provided by:

**HEAVENLY INTERNATIONAL TOURS**



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Please refer to Heavenly Tours' Web Site at [www.heavenlytours.com](http://www.heavenlytours.com) and click on "Testimonials" to read what so many people wrote about the impact that a tour of the Holy Land has left on their lives.

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The staff and management of Heavenly International Tours wish you a most rewarding, inspirational and safe journey.

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