



## 10 DAY ISRAEL EXPERIENCE



# Alberton Christian Fellowship

"WHERE GOD'S FAMILY GET TOGETHER"

UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF

## PASTORS ROBERT & EDITH HEPBURN

**DAY 01 SAT 28 APR JOHANNESBURG / TEL AVIV** With great excitement all tour members will meet 3 hours before departure at O.R Tambo International Airport, complete the necessary formalities, greet family and friends to board overnight flight LY 512 at 20:00 to Tel Aviv. Dinner and breakfast on board.

**DAY 02 SUN 29 APR TEL AVIV – CAESAREA – MT CARMEL – NAZARETH – CANA – TIBERIAS** On arrival at Ben Gurion Airport ± 05:20 our group will be transferred to our tour bus. Here you will be met by our Jerusalem representatives and depart to Caesarea, a restored Roman amphitheater, the remnants of a crusaders fortress and Byzantine street. This is also the place where Paul baptized a Roman Officer Cornelius (Acts 10). Visit Mt Carmel (where Elijah challenged the Baal prophets) also called "El Muhraaka". In Revelation 16 is a description of the end of the age, and the last battle being fought at Armageddon between the forces of good and the forces of evil. Continue to Nazareth where we will visit the Church of Annunciation and Joseph's workplace. Travel via Cana in Galilee where the first miracle of Jesus took place and the

son of a royal officer was healed. Continue to our Hotel in Tiberias for dinner and overnight.

**DAY 03 MON 30 APR FULL DAY GALILEE + BOATRIDE – YARDENITE – TIBERIAS** This morning after breakfast we will sail by boat on the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum to see the remains of a 2nd century synagogue (built on the spot where the original synagogue was in the time of Jesus). We will see a well preserved oil press. Visit Mt Beatitude Where Jesus taught the beatitudes. (Math 5:7). Visit Tabgha, the place of the miraculous multiplication of bread and fish (Mark 6:34-44). Visit the chapel of Mensa Christi, where Jesus appeared to His disciples at the Sea of Galilee (John 21). Depart to Yardenite, the traditional baptismal area in the Jordan River at the southern part of the Sea of Galilee. Those that would like to be baptized or confirm their baptism will have the opportunity. Return to our Hotel for dinner and overnight.

**DAY 04 TUE 01 MAY TIBERIAS – BET SHEAN – JERICHO\* – QUMRAN – DEAD SEA – EIN BOKEK** This morning after breakfast we depart to Bet Shean – here the

bodies of Saul and his sons were tied to the city walls. We will take a walk through the excavations revealing a remarkable city, one which incorporated all the 'glory of Rome' and the best of Hellenistic culture. A typical Roman Cardo, or main commercial thoroughfare, connected the upper city with the forum, marketplace, Roman bathhouse, and theatre. Hereafter we drive to Jericho\* - the city destroyed by Joshua. Here you'll visit Elisha's Fountain where he allowed the axe to float and sweetened the water. View the Mount of Temptation. Hereafter we go to the Qumran Caves, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. We will watch a video and walk to view the caves. You will have the opportunity to shop at this wonderful Kibbutz. Hereafter we go to Ein Bokek where we will be transferred to our Hotel on the shores of the Dead Sea, the lowest point on earth. You will have the opportunity to swim or rather float in the salty mineral water of the Dead Sea. Dinner and overnight.

**DAY 05 WED 02 MAY MASADA – EIN GEDI – BETHLEHEM\* – JERUSALEM** This morning after breakfast we drive to Mount Masada where we will ascend Mount Masada by way of

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cable car. On top of the mountain you'll see the ruins of a Jewish Fortress where 967 Jews committed mass-suicide rather than surrender to their Roman besiegers. Hereafter we continue to Kibbutz Ein Gedi, known for its caves, springs, and its rich diversity of flora and fauna. Ein Gedi is mentioned several times in biblical writings, for example, in the Song of Songs; "My beloved is unto me as a cluster of henna flowers in the vineyards of Ein Gedi" (1:14). According to Jewish tradition, David hid from Saul in the caves here; "And David went up from thence, and dwelt in the strongholds of Ein Gedi" (1 Samuel 24:1). We will view the waterfall from a lookout point. Hereafter we drive to Bethlehem and visit the Basilica of Nativity, built on the site of Jesus' birth. Enjoy the spectacular view over the Shepherd's fields. We continue to JERUSALEM, the Eternal Capital city of Israel to our Hotel Jerusalem for dinner and overnight.

**DAY 06 THU 03 MAY MT OLIVES – GETSEMANE – MT ZION – CARDO – JERUSALEM**  
 This morning after breakfast we visit the Mount of Olives with its beautiful view over Jerusalem. We will visit the Church of Ascension and then the Pater Noster Church where Jesus taught His disciples the "Our Father". We walk down the slopes to the Church All Nations where Jesus suffered His "bitter cup". Next we walk down the Mt of Olives to Gethsemane, and on route we visit the Dominus Flavit Church, with its beautiful view over the Old City and the Golden Gate. Gethsemane is where Jesus prayed, especially the night before His crucifixion (Luke 22:39). Judas also betrayed Him here, and this is the place where Peter cut

off the ear of the high priest's servant (John 18:10). Hereafter we drive to Mt Zion where we will visit The Last Supper Room that commemorates the "upper room" in which Jesus shared the Last Supper with the disciples. Continue to the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu, also known as the House of Caiaphas or the "Church of the Cockcrow", where Peter denied Jesus. Our tour includes the Tomb of David. Hereafter we will enjoy some free time in the Jewish section of the Old City, called the Cardo before Shabbat begins. We return to our Hotel for dinner and overnight.

**DAY 07 FRI 04 MAY TEMPLE MOUNT – LIONS GATE – VIA DOLOROSA – GARDEN TOMB – JERUSALEM**  
 This morning after breakfast you will enter the Old City through the Dung Gate and walk to the Walling Wall, also known as the Western Wall, holiest site for the Jews. Continue to the Temple Area where you will see the El Aksa Mosque and the Dome of the Rock where Solomon's temple stood and the rock where Isaac according to tradition was to have been offered. A special visit has been arranged for us to the Western Wall Tunnels. Hereafter we visit the St. Stephen's Gate also known as the Lion Gate. You will stop for a visit at the Pool of Bethesda, the Fortress of Antonio, and the Ecco Homo Arch. Follow the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the traditional Calvary and the Chapel where the crucifixion is said to have taken place. For our last stop for the day will visit the Garden Tomb, also known as Gordon's Golgotha, one of the highlights of your tour! Here we'll enjoy a Holy Communion Service. Return to our Hotel for dinner and overnight.

**DAY 08 SAT 05 MAY DAY AT LEISURE – JERUSALEM**  
 Today you can enjoy your day at leisure. Welcome to do some shopping in the Old or New City at your own arrangement. Hotel for dinner and overnight.

**DAY 09 SUN 06 MAY ISRAEL MUSEUM – YAD VASHEM – JAFFA – BEN GURION AIRPORT / JOHANNESBURG**  
 This morning after breakfast We drive past the New Hebrew University to the Israel Museum where the Dead Sea Scrolls are being kept. We will visit the new reconstructed Model of the Old City. Walk through the Scrolls Museum. Continue past the New Hebrew University to Yad Vashem, a museum in memory of the 6 million Jews that suffered and died during the 2nd World War or "holocaust". Hereafter we travel to Jaffa, also known as Joppa. It was here that Peter prayed for Dorcas, and was raised from the dead. Peter stayed here at Simon The Tanner's Home, where he received the call to take the Gospel to the Gentiles in Caesarea (Acts 9: 36 & 10:48). Jaffa, according to some, is today the oldest harbour city in the world and ancient art centre in Israel. From here we start our return journey back to South Africa. We depart to Tel Aviv Ben Gurion Airport for our flight LY 051 at ± 22:50 (pm) back to Johannesburg.

**DAY 10 MON 07 MAY JOHANNESBURG**  
 Arrive back at OR Tambo International Airport at ± 08:00 am after a wonderful experience in Israel with beautiful memories and with an enriched spirit and a large circle of new friends.

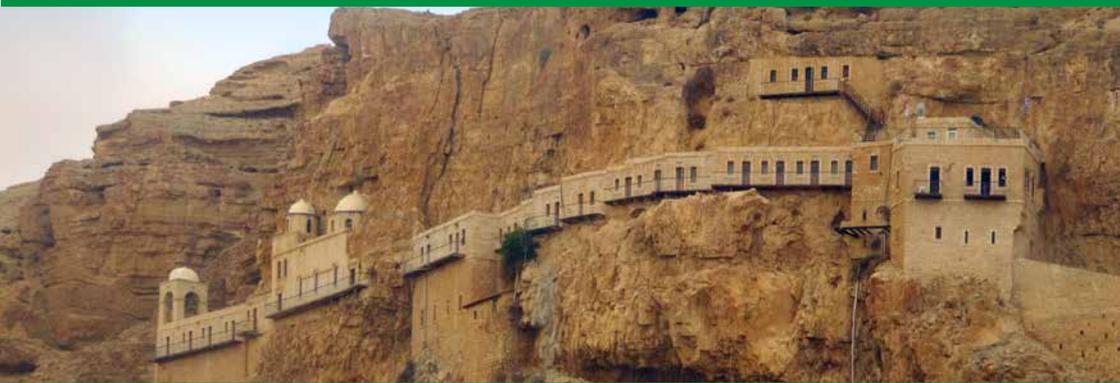
**REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT:**

TO SECURE YOUR SEAT ON THIS TOUR WE REQUIRE FROM YOU A COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM  
 YOUR NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT OF R3 500.00 BEFORE 02 OCTOBER 2017  
 A SECOND NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT OF R2 000.00 BY 30 NOVEMBER 2017  
 THE BALANCE OF THE TOUR PRICE IS PAYABLE ± 8/10 WEEKS BEFORE DEPARTURE



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