

# A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Jordan

*Jerusalem ... Bethlehem ... Sea of Galilee ... Nazareth ... Tiberias*

*Caesarea-by-the-Sea ... Jericho ... Masada*

*Mt. Nebo ... Petra ... Wadi Rum ... Jerash and more!*

**15 Days ~ October 27 - November 10, 2023**



*Jerusalem*



*Mount of Beatitudes*



*Sea of Galilee*



*Wadi Rum*

*hosted by:*

**Tim Hetzner**

*Ambassador for Spiritual Growth*

*Lutheran Church Charities*

## Biblical Pilgrimage - Israel & Jordan

15 Days ~ October 27 - November 10, 2023

### Program Cost

\$5,789.00 - per person, twin occupancy

\$1,665.00 - supplement for single room

*Rates are based on a minimum of 27 passengers*

### Payment Schedule

\$500.00 per person - due with reservation

\$1,000.00 per person due by March 15, 2023

Balance due by July 1, 2023

*All checks should be made payable to:*

TRANS WORLD TRAVEL, INC.

*and returned to:*

Tim Hetzner HL Tour

c/o Trans World Travel, Inc.

734 Central Ave., Highland Park, IL 60035

*TWT phone: (847) 432-2400*

## Program Highlights

- \* Round trip air from Chicago
- \* 4/5 star hotels
- \* Breakfast (B), Lunch (L) and Dinner (D) daily
- \* Private air-conditioned motor coach
- \* Professional tour managers in Israel and Jordan
- \* Admission fees to sights visited
- \* Cruise on Sea of Galilee
- \* Whisper Hearing Sets on walking tours
- \* Comprehensive sightseeing in Israel and Jordan
- \* Baggage handling at all hotels -1 bag per person
- \* Passport case, baggage tags, etc.
- \* US Departure and airport taxes

Please note: Due to the ever-changing political climate throughout the world, we suggest that, if you are concerned, you should contact the U.S. State Department for travel advisory updates: (202) 647-5225.

## RESERVATION FORM

Please make your check payable to Trans World Travel, Inc. and return to:

Tim Hetzner HL 2023, c/o Trans World Travel, Inc., 734 Central Avenue, Highland Park, IL 60035

\* Couples living at the same address may use the same form. Individuals living at separate addresses should use two forms.

*Enclosed is my (our) completed reservation form for the Holy Land/Jordan tour departing on October 27, 2023 and a deposit check in the amount of \$500 per person. I understand that the completed form and deposit indicates my (our) acceptance of the General Conditions and Cancellation Policies stated on the back of this form and in the accompanying tour brochure and the understanding that there can be future increases by the air carrier for fuel and/or government related taxes. All payments must be made by check. We strongly recommend that all passengers consider optional travel protection insurance that can include pre-existing conditions. You will receive information about the NTA Travel Protection Plan in your welcome packet.*

NAME(S) AS SHOWN ON YOUR PASSPORT(S): PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

Name 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name 2. \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

First name(s) as you would like them to appear on your name tag(s): 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate: \_\_\_\_\_ Bedding preference (*not guaranteed*): \_\_\_\_one bed \_\_\_\_two beds

\_\_\_\_\_ I do not yet have a roommate. Please notify me if anyone is looking for a roommate for this trip.

\_\_\_\_\_ If available, I prefer a single room at the supplemental cost listed in the tour brochure.

Airline Seating Request (*not guaranteed*): \_\_\_\_Window \_\_\_\_Aisle

Dietary restrictions (if applicable) (*not guaranteed*): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Important: Please send a copy of the photo page of your passport to Trans World Travel!**

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**Friday, October 27, 2023 - Chicago Departure:** Today we begin our overnight journey. Dinner will be served en route.

**Saturday, October 28 - Tel Aviv / Tiberias:** On arrival in Tel Aviv, we will drive by private motorcoach to Tiberias, located on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. (D)

**Sunday, October 29 - Tiberias (Golan Heights / Bethsaida / Tel Hazor / Tel Dan / Caesarea Philippi / Hippos):** We begin the day by exploring the excavations at Bethsaida, the hometown of Peter, Andrew and Philip. Next, we visit Hazor, a city taken by Joshua. We then drive north through the Golan Heights to Tel Dan and its refreshing springs, one of the sources of the River Jordan. Nearby is Caesarea Philippi where Jesus asked His disciples, "Who do you say I am?" (Mt. 16). Overnight in Tiberias. (B, L, D)

**Monday, October 30 - Tiberias (Sea of Galilee Area / Bet Shean):** Our morning begins with a cruise on the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum. We will also visit the Mount of Beatitudes and Tabgha (feeding of 5,000 and the post-Resurrection appearance to the disciples). Later, we drive south through the Jordan Valley to Bet Shean, whose Biblical history covers the Canaanites, the Philistines, the Romans and the Byzantines. We return to Tiberias in time for dinner and our overnight. (B, L, D)

**Tuesday, October 31 - Tiberias (Mt. Tabor / Cana / Nazareth / Sepphoris):** Today begins with a visit to Mt. Tabor, the site of the Transfiguration. Next it's on to Cana where Jesus performed his first miracle, and then to Nazareth - the boyhood home of Jesus. In Nazareth we will visit the Church of the Annunciation and see Mount Precipice. On our return to Tiberias (if time permits), we'll visit Sepphoris - which Josephus called "the ornament of all Galilee." Sepphoris was the largest city in Galilee at the time of the First Revolt in 66 AD. Return to Tiberias for our overnight. (B, L, D)

**Wednesday, November 1 - Caesarea / Mt. Carmel / Acre / Jerusalem:** Today we visit Mt. Carmel and the Crusader city of Acre (Akko). Later we motor along the Mediterranean Sea to visit the ancient port and crusader city of Caesarea-By-The-Sea, where Peter preached and where Paul was imprisoned for two years. A Roman theater, an ancient harbor and a fortress from Crusader times testify to the importance of this seacoast city. This afternoon we continue to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

**Thursday, November 2 - Jerusalem (Mount of Olives / Mount Zion / Bethany / Western Wall Tunnels):** This morning we'll visit the Mount of Olives where we'll see the Church of the Ascension, the Church of the Pater Noster and the Garden of Gethsemane. Later we will cross the Kidron Valley to Mount Zion to visit the Church of St. Peter's in Gallicantu (Caiaphas' House) and the Upper Room. This afternoon we'll make a very special visit to the Four Homes of Mercy in Bethany. Late this afternoon or in the early evening we'll visit the Western Wall and its tunnels ... one of the most visited sites in Jerusalem. These underground tunnels connect the Western Wall prayer area to the northwest side of the Temple Mount, passing under the present day houses in the Old City. The experience of walking along the tunnels is like taking a time machine back to the second temple period. (B, L, D)

**Friday, November 3 - Jerusalem (Bethlehem / the Via Dolorosa (Way of the Cross) / Garden Tomb):** This morning we travel to Bethlehem to visit the Grotto of the Nativity and Shepherd's Field. We then enter Jerusalem's Old City, where today's program includes the remains of the City of David, the Western

Wall, a view of the Dome of the Rock, St. Stephen's Gate, St. Anne's Crusader Church with the Pool of Bethesda, the Via Dolorosa, the Arch of Ecce Homo, Pilate's Judgment Hall, the Lithostrotos, and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Before returning to our hotel, we'll visit the Garden Tomb. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B, L, D)

**Saturday, November 4 - Jerusalem (Arad / Beersheba):** Today's full day excursion includes Tel Arad, an archaeological tel and one of the oldest cities in Israel. Located west of the Dead Sea and surrounded by mountain ridges which are known as the Arad Plain, the site is divided into a lower city and an upper hill which holds the only discovered "House of Yahweh" in the land of Israel. Later, we visit Beersheba (Beer Sheva), one of the world's oldest cities! The Biblical forefathers; Abraham, Isaac and Jacob lived and prophesized here. On this unique program, we'll explore the "Capital" of the Negev Desert where "Our Past Meets Our Future." (B, L, D)

**Sunday, November 5 - Jericho / Masada / Dead Sea / Qumran / Aqaba, Jordan:** This morning we visit the ancient Tel in Jericho and then travel through the Judean wilderness to the Qumran Caves, the site where the community of Essenes lived and recorded the books of the Old Testament. We then visit the shore of the Dead Sea, possibly to float in its mineral-rich waters en route to Masada, where we'll visit the remarkable ruins of the fortress built by Herod the Great. Later this afternoon, we'll cross the Israeli border into Jordan and overnight in Aqaba on the shore of the Red Sea. (B, L, D)

**Monday, November 6 - Wadi Rum / Petra:** Today we enjoy a jeep tour of Wadi Rum. It is a vast, silent place, timeless and starkly beautiful, and is one of Jordan's and the world's most stunning desertscapes. It is probably known best for its connection with the British officer, T. E. Lawrence, who was based here during the Great Arab revolt of 1917, and is the setting for the film that carried his name, "Lawrence of Arabia." Late this afternoon we'll arrive in Petra ... one of the most important, ancient Arab kingdoms, whose history goes back as far as the Middle Paleolithic period and forward to the days of the Crusades and Saladin. Overnight in Petra. (B, L, D)

**Tuesday, November 7 - Petra / Machaerus and Dead Sea:** Our morning visit of the Rose Red City of Petra might just be one of the highlights of the entire trip. It can only be reached through a narrow siq, flanked by towering cliffs. After a late lunch we'll continue to Machaerus, which is located on a dramatic hilltop and is known as the traditional site of the execution of John the Baptist. We plan to overnight on the Dead Sea or near Madaba. (B, L, D)

**Wednesday, November 8 - Bethany Beyond The Jordan / Amman:** This morning we visit Bethany Beyond Jordan, where Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist, to renew our own Baptismal Promises. We then continue to Amman, the Capital of Jordan. (B, L, D)

**Thursday, November 9 - Amman (Mt. Nebo / Jerash):** This morning we drive north to Mt. Nebo where, like Moses, we look across the Jordan River to the Promised Land. Later, we visit Jerash, a Greco-Roman city, with its temples to Artemis and Zeus, a vast Roman Forum, Hadrian's Triumphal Arch, an impressive Theater, and a mile-long Street of Columns. In the late afternoon we tour Amman - the modern center of an ancient world. Here you'll find Roman ruins built over Iron Age ruins, and a later Arab citadel built over a temple to Hercules. Overnight in Amman. (B, L, D)

**Friday, November 10 - Amman / Chicago:** Early this morning we transfer to Amman to begin our journey home. We arrive in Chicago later today.

## GENERAL CONDITIONS

Trans World Travel, Inc. (TWT)

**CANCELLATIONS** per person: All requests for cancellations must be submitted in writing and acknowledged by TWT. A \$250.00 administrative fee will be assessed for any cancellation for any reason. In addition, all acknowledged cancellations will be subject to the following terms:

1) Cancellations postmarked within 180 days of tour departure, penalty equals 10% of tour cost per person.†

2) Cancellations postmarked within 120 days of tour departure, penalty equals 25% of tour cost per person.†

3) Cancellations postmarked within 90 days of tour departure, penalty equals 50% of tour cost per person.†

4) Cancellations postmarked within 45 days of departure, penalty equals 100% of tour cost per person.†

†Additionally, unless a replacement is found, a cancelling tour member will also be charged for the single supplement fee of one's non-cancelling roommate. TWT shall process such refunds, subject to the above terms offset by applicable penalties as soon as reasonably practicable.

**PARTIAL OR COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL AFTER TOUR BEGINS:** Once the tour is in progress, no refund will be made for any unused portion of the tour.

**CANCELLATION BY TWT:** TWT reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure for any reason, including insufficient number of participants, in which case a full refund will be given less any charges of fees assessed by hotels, motor coach companies, airlines or other third party vendors. TWT shall be excused from the performance of its obligations under this Agreement to the extent that such performance is prevented by a fire or other casualty, strike, pandemic, Act of God, other cause beyond the control of the Parties. TWT also has the right to withdraw your membership at any time if your actions impose upon or disturb the other members of the tour. All additional costs to send a tour member home will be borne by the tour member.

**INSURANCE:** An optional insurance plan is available. We strongly urge all tour members to have insurance in the event of illness or death occurring prior to departure or during the tour. Please note that all insurance policies will be subject to all terms and conditions applicable to the respective insurance policies and participants should review all terms and conditions. Such policies may not cover pre-existing conditions unless enrollment for the insurance is done within a specified number of days of TWT registering you for the tour.

**DEVIATIONS:** Deviations from the group itinerary will be quoted separately upon receipt of a detailed written request. Changes are subject to a TWT deviation fee of \$200 per person plus any other travel related fees from airlines, hotels, etc.

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Round-trip in Economy Class. Individual seating requests cannot be guaranteed due to airline seating policies. TWT must have your legal name as it appears on your passport. Ticket reissue fees are subject to the policies of the individual airline contracted for your tour. Passengers not traveling on the group's air itinerary are responsible for arranging their own transfers from their arrival airport to the group's first hotel or cruise ship and from the group's last hotel or cruise ship to their departure airport.

**HOTELS:** We exercise our best efforts to use mostly 3 & 4-star hotels that are chosen on the basis of location, cleanliness, services and, when possible, are typical of the local area. Hotels do not allow credits if passenger chooses to depart earlier than the scheduled group departure.

**WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED:** Excluded is any item or service not specifically indicated as included - such as cost of passports, visas where required, portage at airports and/or ship docks, gratuities on all cruise ships, tips to tour manager, motor coach driver or guides, optional tours, and any other items of a personal nature including beverages with included meals. No responsibility is incurred by TWT for loss of or damage to baggage or any of the passenger's belongings. Baggage, health and trip cancellation insurance is recommended.

**ITINERARY CHANGES:** Occasionally, a change in a portion of your tour, accommodations, services, etc. may be necessitated due to: altered transportation schedules/equipment, weather conditions, labor strikes, road construction, or for other unforeseen reasons outside the control of TWT. Any resultant expenses shall be borne by the passengers.

**RATES:** All rates in this brochure are based on applicable tariffs in effect at the time of printing. Tour price can be increased due to the occurrence of currency fluctuations, the increase in fuel, increase in air tickets, various taxes, or any other increase connected with the tour package. Any cancellation due to any of the above changes is subject to the cancellation policy stated above.

**LEGAL / HEALTH DOCUMENTS:** For international travel, all U.S. citizens must have a current passport with at least 6 months validity remaining from your return date. For certain countries, you might also need a properly dated visa. These documents are your responsibility, and we urge you to apply for these documents as soon as possible.

### RESPONSIBILITY

The responsibility of Trans World Travel, Inc. is strictly limited. As a tour operator, TWT organizes, promotes and sells tour programs consisting of certain travel services, including, but not limited to, surface transportation, sightseeing excursions and hotel accommodations which TWT purchases or reserves from various suppliers. The suppliers providing travel services for TWT's tour programs are independent contractors

and are not agents or employees of TWT or any subsidiary company. To the extent that TWT is involved in the sale of air transportation to you, TWT acts as an agent of the air carrier. For all other purposes, TWT does not act as agent for any party.

TWT is not responsible for the willful or negligent acts and/or omissions of such suppliers or any carrier or their respective employees, agents or representatives including, without limitation, their failure to deliver or their partial or inadequate delivery of services. All coupons, receipts and tickets are issued subject to the terms and conditions specified by the suppliers and/or carriers. By utilizing the travel service of the suppliers, you agree that neither TWT nor any subsidiary company or representative shall be liable for any accident, injury, property damage or personal loss to you or to those traveling with you in connection with any accommodations, transportation or other travel services or resulting directly or indirectly from any occurrences or conditions beyond its control, including, but not limited to, acts of terrorism, defects in vehicles, breakdown in equipment, strikes, theft, delay or cancellation of or changes in itinerary or schedules.

Except as specifically set forth herein, TWT does not make any representations or warranties with respect to the services performed under this Agreement and hereby specifically disclaims all other representations and warranties with respect to the services, whether expressed or implied.

Any action commenced arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be resolved by arbitration in Cook County, Illinois, unless another location is mutually agreed upon, in accordance with the commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association. The award rendered by the arbitrator(s) shall be final, and judgment upon the award may be entered by any court located in Cook County, Illinois.

These tour programs are planned in advance. If, between planning time and the actual tour operation, circumstances beyond TWT's control require changes, TWT reserves the right to vary itineraries, change the departure date and substitute components of tour programs, which could also include replacing the tour host due to sickness, etc. Remember that all travel documents, as well as compliance with customs regulations, are your (the tour member's) responsibility.

The payment of the required deposit or any other partial payment for a reservation on a tour constitutes consent to all provisions of the conditions and general information contained in this brochure. The terms under which you agree to take these tours cannot be changed or amended except in writing signed by an authorized officer of TWT. TWT is not responsible for typographical errors or errors of omission. If you should have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please call TWT prior to registering for the tour.

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