

# ISRAEL - JORDAN TOUR 2012

with Greece & Italy as optional extensions



“Walk The Land – Feel God’s Heartbeat 2”

14 days, 19 April 2012

led by Mr Allan and Barbara Schepers

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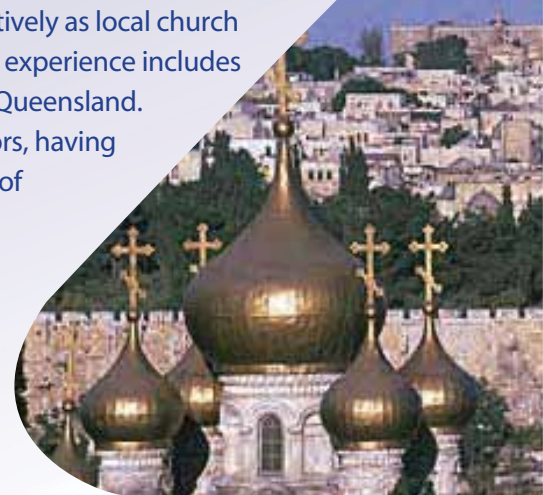
Shalom and welcome everyone! What an exciting life adventure this tour will be in the Holy Land!

There are many exciting, scenic destinations in the world - Israel also has magnificent scenery and grandeur, but a visit to Israel is a life changing experience, opening the pages of your Bible in living colour as you visit and see with your own eyes the Land, the people and culture where Jesus walked and taught; as Barbara and I share with you many insights into the Hebraic roots of the Christian faith; and as we share the experience of contemporary Jewish life in the reborn State of Israel.

Some of you have travelled with us before to the Land of Israel, but for those of you we have not yet met, we would like to introduce ourselves...

Allan and Barbara are ordained pastors accredited with Dunamis Life and serve actively as local church pastors in their congregation in the City of Logan, Queensland. Allan’s professional experience includes 36 years service in the Public Safety, Justice and the Emergency Services sector in Queensland. Allan also holds a Bachelor of Teaching (USQ). Both are experienced communicators, having conducted seminars in most Australian states over the past ten years in principles of Life Restoration and the Hebraic Roots of our Christian Faith. They serve as District coordinators for Prayer for Israel, meeting in their home once a month. Allan and Barbara have also facilitated significant support to a range of community projects in the Land in recent years.

Allan and Barbara have visited Israel five times in the past six years to participate in a range of projects and in 2008 and 2010 they also led Christian tour groups throughout Israel.



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### TOUR PRICE PER ADULT

From Brisbane, Sydney or Melbourne.

Pricing is based on a minimum of 20 paying passengers and currency fluctuations. Less than 20 passengers will require the tour to be re-costed.

GROSS TOUR PRICE PER ADULT	TWIN SHARE PRICE ADD
ISRAEL / JORDAN	\$ 5,899
ISRAEL / JORDAN / GREECE	\$ 7,499
ISRAEL / JORDAN GREECE / ITALY	\$ 9,279

Single supplement on application

### PRICE INCLUDES:

- All airfares as per itinerary
- International Airline Emirates or similar
- Airline taxes
- All accommodation in 4 star properties
- Breakfast and Dinners daily
- Modern European 5 star Coach
- All Transfers and arrival assistance and border and airports.
- All entrance fees for site seeing inclusions as per itinerary
- Visa for Jordan
- All guiding as per itinerary
- Porterage at hotels
- Tips for Guides and Driver

### DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Lunches where not indicated
- Drinks and personal purchases
- Travel Insurance

### WHAT TO DO NEXT

A deposit of \$500 per person is required by in order to secure a place on the tour

Please contact our office if you would like a Tour Registration form

### TRAVEL INSURANCE:

Travel insurance is highly recommended when travelling overseas.

### EXTENDING OR PLANNING TO INCLUDE A EUROPE VISIT:

If you would like to undertake further travel at the end of the tour. Mission Travel Group will be able to assist you with additional travel, please advise your needs when registering for the tour.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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## ITINERARY

Day 1: Thur 19 April  
Depart Brisbane  
Accommodation: In flight  
Meals: B, L, D

Day 2: Fri 20th April.  
Arrive Amman, Jordan; We take a scenic route through Jordan to ancient Petra  
Afternoon free  
Accommodation: Jordan, Petra - Movenpick Hotel  
Meals: B, D

Day 3: Sat 21st April.  
Full day Petra sightseeing experiencing the colours and grandeur of the magnificent canyons and carved edifices; Depart by coach to beautiful Eilat on the Red Sea, southern Israel  
Accommodation: Eilat, Israel  
Magic Palace Hotel  
Meals: B, L, D

Day 4: Sun 22nd April  
Explore Timnah Park & the Mishkan (Tabernacle of Moses replica); Beersheba, Tel Be'er Sheva overlooking the site of the famous Australian Light Horse charge; Commonwealth Cemetery & Park Of The Australian Soldier; Late afternoon, experience the exhilaration of the Dead Sea mineral waters. Accommodation: Dead Sea, Le Meridian Hotel  
Meals: B, D

Day 5 Mon 23rd April  
Ride the cable car to the summit of the ancient Jewish fortress of Masada. Explore Qumron, where the Dead Sea scrolls were discovered; Short hike through magnificent Ein Gedi National Park to David's Waterfall. Then on to Jerusalem!  
Accommodation: Jerusalem  
Grand Court Hotel  
Meals: B, D

Day 6 Tues 24th April  
Time for reflection at the Garden Tomb (with communion); View Jerusalem from Mt. Olives; Experience the Garden of Gethsemane with its 2000 year old olive trees; Explore the City of David & the wonders of Hezekiah's tunnel; Shrine of the Book museum; Model City of ancient Jerusalem; Time permitting, visit Makor Ha Tikvah Messianic Jewish school  
Accommodation: Jerusalem  
Grand Court Hotel  
Meals: B, D

Day 7 Wed 25th April  
Ascend the Temple Mount; Time for prayer by the Western Wall; Marvel at the Herodian Tunnel and the foundation stones of Solomon's Temple; walk in the footsteps of Jesus on the steps at the Hulda Gates (Davidson Centre); View the splendour of the Temple Institute's exhibits; Stand in awe of the Citadel of David, its stone passageways and museum exhibits; Visit historic Christchurch  
Accommodation: Jerusalem  
Grand Court Hotel  
Meals: B, D

Day 8 Thurs 26th April  
Experience the angelic acoustics of worship in Saint Anne's Church; Pool of Bethesda; Walk the Via Dolorosa; Afternoon free for shopping/ sightseeing, Old City. Evening meeting with guest speakers  
Accommodation: Jerusalem  
Grand Court Hotel  
Meals: B, D

Day 9 Fri 27th April  
Moving visit to Yad VaShem Holocaust Museum; Ein Kerem, birthplace of John the Baptist; Bethlehem's Church of the Nativity and Shepherds Field  
Accommodation: Jerusalem  
Grand Court Hotel  
Meals: B, D

DAY 10 28 APRIL :  
Travel north to explore the ancient Roman city at Beit Shean. Continue on to visit Beit Shearim with its caverns and ancient sarcophagi then continue on to the beautiful Sea of Galilee.  
Accommodation: Tiberias, Nof Ginosar  
Meals: B,D

DAY 11 29 APRIL :  
Free day with evening meeting.  
Accommodation: Tiberias, Nof Ginosar  
Meals: B,D

DAY 12 30 APRIL :  
Sail across the Sea of Galilee and view a 2000 year old fishing boat. Hike across Mt of Beatitudes; Capernaum. Walk a day in the life and times of Jesus at Nazareth Village. Breathtaking views from Mount Precipice over the Jezreel Valley. Opportunity for baptisms/rededications in the Jordan River.  
Accommodation: Tiberias, Nof Ginosar  
Meals: B, L, D

DAY 13 1 MAY :  
Golam Heights; Banias Springs; Tel Dan National Park with its amazing 4000 year old city gates. Security permitting, visit IDF tank regiment. Continue Travel the Mediterranean Coast road to Neve Ilan Hotel in the Jerusalem Hills.  
Accommodation: Neve Ilan Hotel, Jerusalem Hills.  
Meals: B,D

DAY 14 2 MAY :  
Early departure and transfer to Tel Aviv airport for the flight to Athens. Upon arrival to Athens International Airport "Eleftherios Venizelos" our representative will meet, welcome and assist in your transfer to the hotel. Check-in followed by dinner and overnight.  
Accommodation: TBC  
Meals: D

DAY 15 3 MAY:  
At 08:30 in the morning we enjoy our half-day sightseeing tour of Athens. We climb up to the marble-capped Acropolis and visit the famous Parthenon and the Erechtheion. We now have become time travellers! Then, we go to nearby Mars' Hill (Areopagus) to read Acts 17:22 where Paul delivered his soul-stirring sermon to the giants of philosophy, logic and learning and spoke about the inscription: "to an unknown god". Our tour continues with the highlights of modern Athens: we pass by the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Parliament House, the Academy, the University of Athens, the National Library, Panathenian Stadium, Temple of Olympian Zeus, Hadrian's Arch. After the tour free afternoon in Plaka. Optional visit the New Acropolis Museum.  
Dinner and overnight at hotel.  
Accommodation: TBC  
Meals: B,D

DAY 16 4 MAY :  
Our morning excursion out of Athens takes us by the Saronic Gulf, where in 480 BC history's root was changed! The small Grecian fleet managed to defeat the enormously powerful armada of the Persians. From here, via the historic Corinthian Canal, we arrive at ancient Corinth (Acts 18:1-18). It was to Corinth, this megalopolis where the apostle Paul came and worked, established a thriving church, subsequently sending two of his epistles now part of the New Testament. Here, we see all of the sites associated with his ministry: the Agora, the Temple of Apollo, the Roman Odeon, the Bema and Gallio's Seat. The small local archaeological museum here is an absolute must! In Romans 16:23 Paul mentions his friend Erastus and we will see an inscription to him at the site. Then we see the ruins of early Christian 5th century basilica in Cencreae before returning to the hotel in Athens.  
Dinner and overnight at hotel.  
Accommodation: TBC  
Meals: B,D

DAY 17 5 MAY  
For those continuing on to Italy depart on a lunchtime flight from Athens to Rome.  
On arrival in Rome transfer to the hotel.  
Accommodation: Terra Rossa, Rome  
Meals: B,D

DAY 18 6 MAY  
Full day tour of Rome - Vatican and Vatican Museum with Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Square. St. John the Lateran and Santa Croce.  
Accommodation: Terra Rossa, Rome  
Meals: B,D

DAY 19 7 MAY  
Basilica of St. Paul outside the walls, Mamertine prison and Arch of Titus, The Catacombs. Explore the backstreets of the historic centre that most tourists do not even know exist. Take a leisurely stroll through the Jewish Ghetto and Trastevere area, starting from Largo Argentina and the Senate House, where Julius Caesar was murdered, and finishing at Campo dei Fiori, once the site of executions during the Inquisition. On this tour, you will get a chance to see the hidden ancient city below modern street level.  
Accommodation: Terra Rossa, Rome  
Meals: B,D

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DAY 20 8 MAY  
Visit the Colosseum and Roman Forum and afternoon train to Venice.  
Accommodation: Venice Mestre, Delfino  
Meals: B, D

DAY 21 9 MAY  
Half day Venice tour in the morning with visits to St. Marks Basilica and Doge's palace. Afternoon free for gondola ride or exploring Venice  
Accommodation: Venice Mestre, Delfino  
Meals: B, D

DAY 22 10 MAY  
The tour comes to a close today after breakfast and check out. Transfer to Venice airport for your afternoon flight home to Australia.  
Meals: B  
Caesar Hotel  
Meals: B, D

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### WEATHER:

March – April – May is spring, the nicest season of the year, with very comfortable weather. Temperature in Tel Aviv is usually between 16 to 24 Degrees centigrade. Jerusalem and the Golan Heights are approx. 3 degrees centigrade cooler and Eilat is usually 3 degrees centigrade warmer

### WHAT TO WEAR:

On some of the days you may want a long t-shirt and light jacket, while on other days a short sleeve t-shirt will do. So, bring generally light and comfortable clothing. Modest clothing required (covered knees and shoulders) for a few places we visit

We have also prepared the following additional tips for traveling which we hope will be of assistance to you:

### TIPS FOR TRAVELERS...

- Pack a power adaptor for electrical appliances (e.g. camera, shaver etc). 'Konjo' or similar brand adaptors can be purchased at bag shops and have a reference chart so you can easily select the right adaptor for Israel & Jordan
- Pack a photocopy of your passport and insurance papers in suitcase (carry originals on you)
- Creams and liquids (toothpaste, perfume etc) should be sealed in plastic in your suitcase to avoid stains on cloths, should one break or leak
- Bathers, sunscreen, sunglasses
- Spare reading glasses in case needed
- A warm jacket for air conditioning and evenings is advisable
- Avoid taking extra jewelry and pack light to enjoy your holiday
- Ensure you have any prescribed medication that you may require for duration of holiday. Carry same in original packaging. A doctor's letter may be advisable if you are carrying a number of medications
- To help circulation, it may be helpful for some to wear elastic stockings in flight. Do stretching exercises frequently in flight
- If you are bringing your mobile phone, it will need to be set for international roaming before you leave, so please discuss this in advance with your service provider. Also, check with your provider before you leave for the accurate area and dialing codes to make phone calls from Israel back home from your mobile phone. This information is sometimes difficult to obtain once you leave Australia
- It is recommended you leave details of the itinerary i.e. names of hotels, with a relative or friend in case someone back home needs to get in touch with you
- WHEN CHECKING IN YOUR BAGGAGE AT BRISBANE AIRPORT, ENSURE THAT THE BAGGAGE IS MARKED AND TAGGED THROUGH TO AMMAN, JORDAN
- It is advisable not to carry all your cash in the one place
- Any personal spending money you wish to bring can be carried as US dollars or NIS (New Israeli Shekels) in Israel – Smaller denominations are best for the smaller shops. The Jordanian 'dinar', denoted by JOD, is the official currency of Jordan. The 'guineeh' (commonly referred to as the Egyptian Pound or LE) is the official currency of Egypt. US dollars are widely accepted throughout the Middle East. ATMs are available
- Traveling anywhere overseas reminds us of the difference in cultures, so be sensitive and patient towards others...As the word says "A word appropriately spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver." A smile and polite response is understood across languages
- Some useful Hebrew phrases include: Shalom (general greeting or goodbye) Boker tov (good morning); Lilah tov (good night); Toda (thankyou); Ken (yes); Lo (no); Hum (hot); Kar (cold); Sherutim (toilet); Mayim (water); Lechem (bread); Sahi-Libton (western style tea); Ness (western style coffee); Zmachim (herbal tea); Shabbat (Saturday - sunset Friday evening to sunset Saturday evening)

We are very excited and looking forward to our grand adventure with you in the Holy Land!

Shalom,

Ps. Allan and Barbara