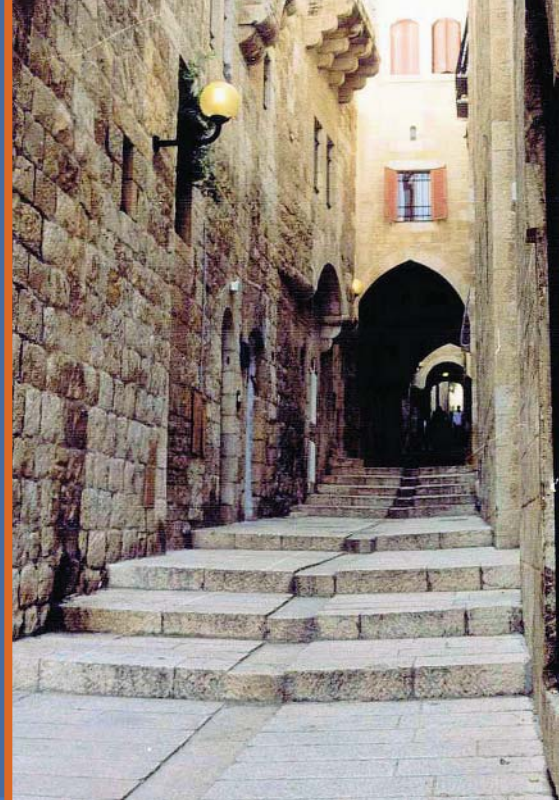


JOURNEY^{of} FAITH to the BIBLE LAND

with Racers for Christ
hosted by Pastor Larry & Linda Smiley

December 8-19, 2012



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8 -

Depart from your Delta Airlines gateway to New York's JFK airport. Connect with Delta flight #268 nonstop to Tel Aviv, leaving at 7:25pm.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9 - TIBERIAS

Upon arrival at Tel Aviv Ben Gurion Airport at 1:15pm, you will be met by a Ya'lla Tours USA representative and transferred to your hotel for dinner and overnight. RON BEACH is a tourist-class hotel located on a private beach and only minutes walking distance from downtown Tiberias. www.ronbeachhotel.com (D)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10 - TIBERIAS

Drive to Mt. Tabor and take a taxi to the top for a visit to the Church of the Transfiguration. Enjoy an outstanding view of the Jezreel Valley, where the battle of Deborah and the Midianites took place. (Judges 5) Continue to Tzipori to see the spectacular ruins of a Galilean Village from the days of Jesus. Then visit the Nazareth Village for a first-hand experience of the way of life in the Galilee in the days of Jesus, including a biblical-style lunch. Continue to Nazareth, home to the largest Arab population in Israel. Visit the Church of the Annunciation and St. Joseph's Grotto. Then visit Mt. Precipice where Christ was taken "...in order to throw Him down the cliff." Take in the view of the Jezreel Valley (Armageddon), Mt. Tabor (The Mount of Transfiguration; Matthew 17) and Mt. Gilboa where Gideon chose his 300 brave men. Depart Nazareth and stop in Cana, the site of Jesus' first miracle, converting water into wine at the wedding. Visit the Church of the Wedding. Return to Tiberias for dinner and overnight. (B,L,D)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11 - TIBERIAS

Take a private boat ride on the Sea of Galilee to see the 2,000 year old Genosar Boat discovered in 1986. Visit Capernaum where Jesus preached, and his disciples Peter and Andrew made their homes.

The contemporary church at Tabga celebrates the Miracle of the Multiplication. Note the mosaic floor from a Byzantine-era church, and the section in front of the ancient altar depicting two fish and a basket filled with loaves of bread. Enjoy a St. Peter's Fish lunch by the Sea of Galilee. Drive to the Mount of the Beatitudes, site of the Sermon on the Mount. (Matt: 5) Next, drive to the Upper Galilee and cross the Hatzbani River to Banias (Caesarea Philippi) to see the source of the Jordan River and the site of Peter's confession, "...you are the Christ." (Matt. 16:18) Return to Tiberias for dinner and overnight. (B,L,D)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12 - TIBERIAS

Visit Megiddo, where Solomon built his vast stables and good King Josiah died in battle. Visit Mt. Carmel and the Carmelite Monastery of Muhraqa, the site where God caused Elijah to defeat the priests of Ba'al. Continue to Acko (ancient Acre), the maritime capital of the Crusader Kingdom. Visit the Knights' Halls, one of the most beautiful and impressive remains from this period. Return to Tiberias for a dinner and overnight. (B,D)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13 - JERUSALEM

Drive to Beth Shean and visit the ruins of one of Israel's most ancient cities. Continue to Mt. Gilboa and Harod Spring, where Gideon chose his 300 brave men. Drive to the ruins of Caesarea, a large port city built by Herod the Great to honor Roman Caesar Augustus. In order to supply water to the city's ever-growing population, he built an aqueduct system stretching from the springs of Mt. Carmel to Caesarea. The book of Acts refers repeatedly to Caesarea as the city Peter visited. (Acts 10) Then climb the Judean Hills to the most beautiful city in the world, JERUSALEM, for dinner and overnight. DAN is a beautiful 4-star hotel with a great view of Jerusalem from Mt. Scopus, only 10 minutes from the Old City and downtown Jerusalem. www.danhotels.com (B,D)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14 - JERUSALEM

Drive 6 miles south to Bethlehem to visit the Church of the Nativity, the oldest church in the holy land still in use. Construction began in the year 326, based on the local tradition that Jesus was born in a cave at the edge of the village. Return to Jerusalem and the Mount of Olives for an inspiring, panoramic view. Walk down the Mount of Olives to the site of Jesus' Agony. Visit the Church of Pater Noster on the hill where Jesus was inspired with the Our Father prayer. The walls of the church are covered with the prayer written in over 85 languages. Walk to one of the newest churches in Jerusalem, Dominus Flevit, (Jesus Wept). During construction in 1955, archaeologists uncovered artifacts dating back to the Canaanite period as well as tombs from both the Second Temple and Byzantine eras. The Garden of Gethsemane lies at the foot of the Mount of Olives. Today it appears much as it did 20 centuries ago and contains some of the world's oldest olive trees. Originally built in 379, the Church of Gethsemane was rebuilt in 1919 – 1924. Long considered one of the most beautiful in Jerusalem, it was called the Church of All Nations because 16 nations contributed to its construction. Then drive to the Old City and pass through Stephen's Gate into the Christian Quarter. Here is the Pool of Bethesda, where Jesus healed the blind man. Probably the finest example of Crusader architecture in Israel, St. Anne's Church, possesses amazing acoustics. Walk the Way of the Cross (Via Dolorosa) to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. In 325, Constantine's mother Helen requisitioned the area for a church. This 4th-century church was largely destroyed by the Turks in 1009 and partially restored in 1048. The impressive stone decorations adorning the facade date from Crusader times. In its current form, the church preserves the Crusader structure and is shared by two major Christian denominations, the Greek Orthodox and the Roman Catholic. The church enshrines a tomb that some traditions hold to be the place of Jesus' burial and resurrection. Return to your hotel for dinner and overnight. (B,D)



Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem



Garden of Gethsemane



Way of the Cross

SATURDAY, DEC 15 - JERUSALEM

Depart Jerusalem and drive east to Masada a natural fortress with majestic ruins overlooking the Dead Sea. Take a cable car to the top of the plateau for a tour. Jewish zealots held the rock for several months against the unrelenting 10th Roman legion in 72 AD, when a monumental siege, using an astounding attack ramp, conquered the fortress. Descend by cable car and drive to the Dead Sea for a float. See Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found in 1947. Return to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

SUNDAY, DEC 16 - JERUSALEM

Visit Neot Kedumim Biblical Landscape Reserve, a unique endeavor to recreate the physical setting of the Bible in all its depth and detail. Far more than a garden showing various biblical plants, Neot Kedumim embodies the panorama

Garden Tomb



Western Wall



and power of the landscapes that helped shape the values of the Bible and provided a rich vocabulary for expressing them. On the way to Lachish we pass Tzora and Eshta'ol, the region where Samson battled the Philistines, as well as the Elah Valley, site of many confrontations, and where David slew the giant Goliath. From here we will make our way south to Beit Guvrin where we will participate in an archaeological dig. Get your hands dirty and perhaps find some ancient coins and pieces of pottery! Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

MONDAY, DEC 17 - JERUSALEM

Visit the House of Caiaphas, where Jesus was held prior to his trial. Then, visit the City of David and see excavations that reveal the earliest days of Jerusalem. Weather permitting, walk through Hezekiah's Tunnel. Drive to Mt. Zion

and visit King David's Tomb and the Last Supper Room. Enter the Jewish quarter of the Old City through the Zion Gate for a walking tour. Walk through the Kardo, a Roman street converted to a pedestrian mall. See the Burnt House and the Herodian Quarter, vivid remains of the Roman conquest and the destruction of the Jewish Temple in 70 AD. Walk down to the Western Wall, the holiest site in Judaism and the only visible remains of Herod's Second Temple. See the Temple Steps, the original steps leading to the Temple's Entrance to the Court of the Israelites. At Davidson Center, watch the multi-media presentation about Jerusalem in the days of Jesus. End the day at the Western Wall Tunnel, huge arched spaces which link to a water tunnel, apparently dug in the Hasmonean period (163 to 37 BC). Return to your hotel for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18 - JERUSALEM

Visit the Israel Museum and the Dead Sea Scrolls exhibition at the Shrine of the Book. Then see the model of the city as it was in the days of Jesus. Drive to the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial. May we never forget the terrible price Israel paid to establish her country. A local cantor will join us for a short memorial service. We will end our pilgrimage with a visit to the Garden Tomb. Many Protestant denominations hold the Garden Tomb to be the location of Jesus' Resurrection. We will have some time for prayer and meditation and Holy Communion. Return to your hotel for a farewell dinner and time to relax until your departure. (B,D)

Around 8:30pm, you will be transferred to the airport for your departure flight.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19 -

Depart Tel Aviv at 12:05am with Delta Airlines flight #269 nonstop to New York's JFK airport, arriving at 5:15am. Clear U.S. Customs and Immigration and connect to your Delta Airlines gateway.



Caesarea

PRICE PER PERSON IN A DOUBLE ROOM:

\$3,905 from: BOS, JFK, PHL, PIT, WAS

\$4,105 from: ATL, CLT, CVG, DFW, DTW, HOU, MCO, MEM, MIA, MSP, OKC, ORD, RDU, STL, TPA

\$4,205 from: DEN, LAS, LAX, PDX, PHX, SAN, SEA, SFO, SJC, SLC

PRICE INCLUDES:

- roundtrip air from your gateway to Tel Aviv on Delta Airlines
- Departure tax (\$610 and subject to change)
- transfers from/to the airport in Tel Aviv
- 10 nights of accommodations with breakfast and dinner daily
- 2 lunches as per itinerary
- 9 days of touring in a deluxe motor coach with a licensed, English-speaking guide, site entrance fees, personal headset
- boat ride on the Sea of Galilee and archaeological dig at Beit Guvrin
- baggage handling at airport and hotels in Israel
- hotel service fees and taxes

- Supplement for a Single Room: \$755
- Supplement for Business/First Class Air: \$3,295

If you are purchasing your own air, deduct from the tour price: \$580
(If you will be traveling on different flights from the group, there will be an additional fee for your airport transfers.)

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- beverages, personal expenses
- travel insurance (\$256 per person in a double room or \$319 in a single room), highly recommended

IMPORTANT NOTE:

- Delta offers mileage credit for Sky Miles members.
- An \$800/person deposit is required upon booking. The deposit is refundable, less a \$200 administrative fee, until September 13, 2012.
- **Final payment is due September 13, 2012.**
- Funds received are held in a trust account until paid to suppliers.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

PRICE:

- The price of the tour is: \$3,905-\$4,205 (depending on point of departure) per person in a double room based on a minimum of 20 passengers. The price is guaranteed but if due to unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of Ya'lla Tours USA Inc. our suppliers increase the price, Ya'lla USA Inc. will adjust the price accordingly.
- Price of the airfare portion of the tour is subject to change until the air ticket is issued.
- Should a single traveler wish to share a room and Ya'lla Tours USA Inc. is unable to match him/her with a roommate, the single room supplement will apply.
- Should the number of participants, 90 days prior to departure, be lower than the published minimum number of participants to operate the tour, the price will be adjusted accordingly, or the tour will be canceled.

DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT POLICY:

- A deposit of \$800 is due upon registration.
- Final payment is due September 13, 2012.

CANCELLATIONS & REFUND:

- For cancellation until September 13, 2012, a \$200 per person administrative fee will apply.
- For cancellation 89-45 days prior to departure, a cancellation fee of 50% of the cost of the tour will apply.
- For cancellation 44-15 days prior to departure, a cancellation fee of 75% of the cost of the tour will apply.
- For cancellation 14 or fewer days prior to departure, a cancellation fee of 100% of the cost of the tour will apply.
- No refund will be paid for unused services such as: transfers, sight-seeing, meals, hotel entrance fees, etc.
- Travel insurance is nonrefundable.

PASSENGER RESPONSIBILITY:

Passenger has read the above terms and conditions and agrees to each of them. Passenger hereby warrants that he/she fully understand each of them. Specifically passenger understands that should he/she cancel their trip for any reason, passenger will be charged the cancellation fee set out above.

PASSPORT AND DOCUMENTATION:

Passport must be valid at least six months after scheduled return date.

RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY:

Whereas Ya'lla Tours USA Inc. and the participating airlines and tour operators operate the land tours offered under this program only as agents of the aircraft, railroads, car rental contractors, steamship lines, hotels, bus operators, sight-seeing contractors and others who provide the actual land arrangements, we are not liable for any act, omission, delay, injury, loss or damage or nonperformance occurring in connection with these tours.

The Passenger contract in use by the airline concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airline and the purchaser of these tours and/or passenger.

Ya'lla Tours USA Inc. reserves the right to bring legal action to collect damages in the event that purchaser fails to pay any fees due and owing for services, including cancellation fees as set out in the section entitled 'Cancellations & Refunds'. The parties agree that should legal action be commenced, the prevailing party will be entitled to his/her or its reasonable attorney fees and court costs in addition to the actual damages sustained and proven. Venue for any dispute is Multnomah County Circuit Court, Oregon. This contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Oregon.

LAND ARRANGEMENTS:

The Tour Operator reserves the right to change the itinerary due to unforeseen circumstances. In all cases, Ya'lla Tours USA Inc. will strive to maintain the content of the tour. The Tour operator reserves the right to change the hotels listed on the tour for others of similar quality.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT SEVERABILITY:

This is the entire agreement of the parties and it may be amended only by written agreement signed by Ya'lla Tours USA Inc. and the client. If any part of this agreement is held unenforceable by a court of law, the rest of this agreement will nevertheless remain in force and effect.

TRAVEL INSURANCE:

Travel insurance is not included in the tour price. Ya'lla Tours USA highly recommends the purchase of comprehensive travel insurance. A waiver must be signed if insurance is declined.