



# **PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND**

**October 24-November 3, 2022**

**GEORGE'S**  
INTERNATIONAL TOURS



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## Day 1 - Monday, October 24: Depart USA

Our spiritual pilgrimage begins as we depart from the United States on our overnight flight to Israel.

## Day 2 - Tuesday, October 25: Arrive Tel Aviv / Haifa

After arrival at Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv, we will be met by our tour guide who will arrange the schedule of our visits and make the scripture come alive as we follow in the footsteps of Jesus and the Prophets. Board our private bus and drive to the modern port city of Haifa and ascend Mt. Carmel, home of the prophets Elijah and Elisha. Our day ends with dinner and overnight at the Carmelite Pilgrim Center, our home for the next three nights.



## Day 3 - Wednesday, October 26: Haifa

This morning we'll visit the Carmelite Basilica, popularly known as Stella Maris and celebrate Mass. We will then proceed to Wadi es-Siah and the sanctuary of Muhraqa, the site of the duel between Elijah and the false prophets of Baal. We'll then drive to Nazareth for our visit to the Basilica of the Annunciation and the home of the Holy Family on the site of St. Joseph's Church which is very near to the Basilica. We'll then walk a short distance to see the Crusader church built on the location of the synagogue in Nazareth where Jesus read from the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. We will stroll through the old town to the ancient spring where Mary drew water. We'll visit the Carmelite Nuns Convent before returning to Haifa in time for dinner and overnight.



## Day 4 - Thursday, October 27: Haifa

This morning we'll drive to the Mt. of Beatitudes which overlooks the Sea of Galilee. In this scenic setting, Jesus preached his Sermon on the Mount. After Mass, we go down along the lakeshore, to a

site called Tabgha (Seven Springs), where our first stop is at the place of the Multiplication of Loaves and Fishes. We then process to Capernaum, which is known as the Second City of Jesus, to see the ruins of the 4<sup>th</sup> century synagogue (John: 6). Our Lord called several Apostles in this city, delivered his Bread of Life Discourse, and cured many people of their afflictions. In the afternoon, we embark on a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, remembering the Scripture passages of Jesus and his apostles on this lake. Return to Haifa for overnight.



## Day 5 - Friday, October 28: Haifa

After breakfast, we will visit the Grotto of Elijah and drive to Cana, where Jesus' first miracle occurred. Those who wish may renew their wedding vows, and all can remember Mary's words: "Do whatever he tells you." Then ascend the heights of Mt. Tabor to visit the sacred site where Jesus took Peter, James and John and was gloriously transfigured in their sight. After Mass, we will visit the church in the village of Nain which recalls Jesus raising the widow's son to life. Then proceed to our hotel in Tiberias for overnight.

## Day 6 - Saturday, October 29: Tiberias / Jerusalem

This morning we will celebrate Mass in front of the Chapel of the Primacy of Saint Peter. After Mass, we drive through the Jordan River Valley and visit the site of one of the world's oldest cities, Jericho, which Joshua and the Israelite army conquered after they crossed the Jordan River and entered the 'Promised Land.' In Jericho, we will stop at a Sycamore tree and recall Jesus' encounter with Zacchaeus, the Publican (tax collector). After a short visit to some ancient archeological ruins (the old Gates of Jericho [10,000 BC]), we will view the Mt. of Temptation, the place of Jesus' temptations by the devil. We will then stop at the Jordan River to commemorate Our Lord's Baptism in the Jordan by St. John and give you an the opportunity to renew your baptismal promises. From the Jordan River, we will begin our steep ascent up the holy mountain to Jerusalem and, as pilgrims have for millennia, we will pray the Ascent Psalms to prepare us for our arrival in the sacred city of Jerusalem. On our way up to Jerusalem, we will stop at Bethany, the home of Martha, Mary and Lazarus, and for those able, make a short stop at Lazarus' tomb. Transfer to our hotel in Jerusalem, our home for the next four nights.

### Day 7 - Sunday, October 30: Jerusalem

Traveling a short distance south of Jerusalem, we arrive in the town of Bethlehem. We begin our visit in the countryside at a location traditionally venerated as the Shepherds' Field, and there call to mind the angels' glad tidings to the shepherds. We will be able to view the archeological excavations of some ancient monasteries at Shepherds' Field. Within the town of Bethlehem, we go to venerate the Holy Grotto of the Nativity, the Manger, the revered Grotto of St. Jerome and the Franciscan Church of St. Catherine of Alexandria. After Mass, we will visit the Carmelite Convent. On August 20, 1875, ten nuns left their monastery in Pau (France) to found a new monastery in Bethlehem. One of them, Mariam Baouardy or St. Mary of Jesus Crucified, was really the soul of the little group. It was Mariam who, led by the Lord, indicated the place of the future monastery, on top of the hill of David, which is in front of the hill of the Nativity. Here, we'll visit the Chapel and the museum where all the belongings of St. Mary of Jesus Crucified are.



### Day 8 - Monday, October 31: Jerusalem

This morning we drive to the summit of the Mt. of Olives to visit the site of the Ascension of Our Lord and the Church of Pater Noster which is part of a Carmelite monastery, also known as the Sanctuary of the Eleona. Walking down the Palm Sunday Road, we will next visit the moving chapel of Dominus Fleuit, the location where Jesus cried as he looked down at the City of Jerusalem. We continue down the road to the Garden of Gethsemane and visit the Basilica of the Agony. This afternoon we will proceed to the Western Wall, where the prayers of millions have been offered at these remaining holy stones of the famous Temple of Jerusalem. As well as the foundation provided by King Herod's ancient temple stones, the only structures standing on the Temple Mount are the Moslem Shrines of the Dome of the Rock and the Al Aqsa Mosque. Then proceed to Mt. Zion and visit the traditional site of the Upper Room, remembering Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples, a post-Resurrection appearance, and the glorious Pentecost event, which marks the birthday of the Church. Nearby we will visit the beautiful Dormition Abbey, a Church that honours Mary's "falling asleep." We end the day with a visit to St. Peter in Gallicantu, which marks the site of Peter's denial.

### Day 9 - Tuesday, November 1: Jerusalem

After an early morning Mass at Christianity's most sacred site, the Holy Sepulcher, we will return to our hotel for breakfast. Then return to the Old City and visit the Church of St. Anne and the

adjacent biblical 'Pools of Bethesda.' Next, we will make the Way of the Cross, carrying a wooden cross along the streets as Jesus did on His journey to Calvary following the Via Dolorosa. We will once again enter the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, and within the Church, we will visit Calvary and complete our devotions at the Sacred Tomb of Jesus. This afternoon we drive through the Judean Wilderness and along the Dead Sea (the lowest spot on earth) to Qumran, the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered, and see the ruins of the buildings of the Essene community. Afterward, we will have the opportunity to take a dip in the salty, mineral-laden waters of the Dead Sea before returning to Jerusalem. This evening a special dinner party will be arranged in our honor.



### Day 10 - Wednesday, November 2: Jerusalem/ Tel Aviv

This morning, we'll check out of our hotel and travel to Ein Karem to visit the Church of St. John the Baptist, long revered as his birthplace, and the magnificent Church of the Visitation, where we will recall Mary's visit to Elizabeth and her hymn/prayer of praise: the Magnificat. This afternoon will be free to visit new places, re-visit sites you've already been to or do some shopping. After an early dinner, we'll transfer to Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv to catch our late evening return flight home.

### Day 11 - Thursday, November 3: Tel Aviv / USA

Early this morning we will arrive back in the United States following our overnight flight from Israel.

## PILGRIMAGE COST

**\$3,197.00**

per person/double occupancy

For single occupancy please add \$710.00.

#### This price includes:

- ✘ Roundtrip airfare from New York JFK
- ✘ Airline taxes/fuel surcharges as currently levied
- ✘ Accommodation in 4 star hotels
- ✘ All hotel taxes
- ✘ Breakfast and dinner daily
- ✘ Land transportation by deluxe motorcoach
- ✘ All transfers and baggage handling at hotels
- ✘ Comprehensive sightseeing with all entrance fees
- ✘ Daily Mass

*For those who prefer to arrange their own flights  
the Land-Only cost is \$2,083.00 per person.*



## GENERAL INFORMATION AND CONDITIONS

**Reservations and Payment:** Please complete the attached Reservation Application and return it with your deposit of \$300.00 per person at the time of booking. Final payment is due 75 days prior to departure.

**Cancellations:** All cancellations must be in writing. Cancellations received after 5PM Pacific Time or on weekends/holidays will be processed the next business day. The following per person cancellation charges will apply: If canceled 91 days or more prior to departure, a \$50.00 administrative fee will be charged. If canceled 125 - 61 days prior to departure, \$250.00 will be charged. If canceled 60 - 31 days prior to departure, \$450.00 will be charged. If canceled 30 - 7 days prior to departure \$700.00 will be charged. No refunds will be made within 6 days of departure. In addition, once the airline tickets have been issued, 100% of the airfare is non-refundable unless you have been advised otherwise at the time of your booking. Additional cancellation charges may apply depending upon the cancellation terms of our suppliers.

**Refunds:** Subject to the foregoing Cancellation Terms, upon cancellation of travel related services, all sums paid to George's International Tours for such services will be promptly returned to the passenger, provided the passenger has not caused such cancellation and is not in violation of any of the terms and conditions previously, clearly and conspicuously disclosed and agreed to by the passenger. This refund provision does not apply where George's International Tours has remitted the payment to another registered seller of travel or a carrier and they default in providing the agreed-upon transportation or service without providing a refund. In such a situation, George's International Tours agrees to provide passenger with a written statement accompanied by a copy of the bank records establishing the disbursement of the payment, and if disbursed to a seller of travel, proof of their current registration.

**Trust Account Disclosure:** California law requires certain sellers of travel to have a trust account or bond. George's International Tours has such a trust account.

**Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation ("TCRC"):** George's International Tours is a participant in the Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation ("TCRC"). You, the passenger, may request reimbursement from TCRC if the Seller of Travel was registered and participating in the TCRC at the time of sale and the passenger is located in California at the time of payment. Please be advised that passengers purchasing from outside of California are not covered by the TCRC. Eligible passengers may file a claim with TCRC if the passenger is owed a refund of more than \$50 for transportation or travel services which the Seller of Travel failed to forward to a proper provider or if such money was not refunded to you when required. The maximum amount which may be paid by the TCRC to any one passenger is the total amount paid on behalf of the passenger to the Seller of Travel, not to exceed \$15,000. A claim must be submitted to the TCRC within six months after the scheduled completion date of the travel. A claim must include sufficient information and documentation to prove your claim and a \$35 processing fee. You must agree to waive your right to other civil remedies against a registered participating Seller of Travel for matters arising out of a sale for which you file a claim with the TCRC, if you were located in California at the time of the sale. You may request a claim form by writing to: Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation, P.O. Box 6001, Larkspur, CA 94977-6001; or by faxing a request to 415-927-7698.

**Travel Documents:** A passport with a minimum of 6 months validity remaining is required of all U.S. citizens. U.S. citizens do not require visas for entry to Israel. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please call to find out if you need a visa. George's International is not responsible for individual visas or passports.

**Tour Cost:** All quoted prices are based upon fares, tariffs and currency exchange rates at the time of printing and are subject to change at any time. Should the minimum number of 20 tour members not be reached, the right is reserved to increase the tour cost accordingly.

**Tour Documents and Tickets:** Final tour documents are mailed, provided we have received full payment, within 3 weeks of departure.

**Baggage:** Each passenger is allowed one checked bag and one carry-on. You will be responsible for paying to the airline any additional charges for additional checked baggage or overweight baggage (if excess weight is permitted). George's International Tours is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen baggage.

**Air Transportation:** Air travel is in economy class on Delta Airlines (or any other IATA carrier). Fares are based upon levels in effect at the time of printing. Fares and flight schedules are subject to change without notice.

**Hotels:** Accommodations are based on double occupancy rooms. A limited number of single rooms are available at the supplement quoted and should be requested at the time of booking.

**Travel Insurance:** We strongly recommend that you have comprehensive travel insurance. Insurance may be purchased directly through George's International Tours and registration forms will be provided upon receipt of your deposit or you may purchase online at [www.georgesintl.com](http://www.georgesintl.com). George's International Tours acts only as an intermediary between you and the insurance provider and in no event shall George's International Tours be liable to any person or entity whatsoever for any direct, indirect, incidental, special, exemplary, compensatory, consequential, or punitive damages related to insurance coverage purchased.

**Not Included:** Gratuities to guide, driver and hotel staff, COVID-19 testing (if required), passport or individual visa fees, personal travel insurance, laundry, beverages and items not on the regular menu of the included meals, additional baggage in excess of airport allowance, optional sightseeing tours, and all expenses of a purely personal nature.

**Responsibility Clause:** The passenger contract issued by the transportation company shall constitute the sole contract between the transportation company and the passenger. Additional expenses incurred as a result of delay, change of schedules, illness, weather, strikes, hostilities, quarantine, government requisition of hotel space or any other reasons beyond the control of the tour operator or travel agent shall be borne by the passenger. George's International Tours reserves the right to substitute hotels of similar category if necessary and to alter itineraries.

**Limitation of liability:** The airlines, hotels, and other suppliers (jointly: "travel suppliers") providing travel or other services sold by George's International Tours are independent contractors and not agents or employees of George's International Tours. George's International Tours and/or their cooperating selling agents and/or their travel suppliers offer these tours for sale only on the express understanding that they themselves do not perform or in any way assume liability for the performance of the individual components, transfers, hotels, flights, car, motorcoaches, etc. of these tours and act only to combine these components into a single unit of sale for the convenience of the general public. To the extent permitted by law, George's International Tours does not assume liability for any injury, damage, death, loss, accident or delay due to an act or omission of a travel supplier, including, without limitation, an act of negligence or the default of a travel supplier. To the extent permitted by law, no responsibilities are accepted for any damage and/or delay due to force majeure, sickness, pilferage, labor disputes, bankruptcy, machinery breakdown, quarantine, government restraints, weather, terrorism or any causes beyond George's International Tours' control. Further, no responsibility is accepted for any additional expense, omissions, delays, failure to make connections, non-performance or poor performance, loss of revenue, loss of anticipated profits, any additional expenses or lost business, attributable to you yourself, acts or omissions of any third parties, or acts of any governmental authority, even if George's International Tours has been advised that such damages were possible or probable.

Please refer to [www.georgesintl.com](http://www.georgesintl.com) for further disclosures concerning travel risks, travels with special needs or disabilities, and arbitration.

Your deposit certifies that you agree with the above terms and conditions.

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## INTERNATIONAL TOURS

### COVID-19 POLICY

#### ISRAEL

Please be aware that George's International Tours currently requires all participants on this pilgrimage to be fully vaccinated with one of the CDC-approved vaccines as per the regulations adopted by the government of Israel. A person is considered fully vaccinated two weeks after receipt of the second dose in a two dose series of the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccines or two weeks after receipt of a single dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine provided that no more than 180 days will have passed since you became fully vaccinated at any time during your stay in Israel. In the event that your two dose regimen of Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna or one dose regimen of Johnson & Johnson will be older than 180 days at any time during your stay in Israel, you will be required to obtain a booster shot at least two weeks prior to your arrival in Israel. In the event that Israel's definition of being fully vaccinated changes in the future we will update our policy to reflect that.

While it is possible that the government of Israel may relax the requirements for a vaccination in the future or provide for exemptions to the vaccination requirement, George's International Tours reserves the right to require that all participants on this pilgrimage be fully vaccinated at the time of travel for the safety of our clients as well as our contracted staff overseas. There will be no exceptions made to this vaccination policy for religious or health reasons.

The Israeli government currently requires that you provide evidence of a negative COVID-19 PCR test which was taken within 72 hours of your departure for Israel and obtaining this test and the associated cost will be your responsibility.

Upon arrival in Israel you will need to take a second COVID-19 PCR test at the airport and will then go into a limited isolation at your hotel until you receive a negative test result which generally is obtained within a few hours. There are no activities planned for your arrival day except for dinner at your hotel, so this limited isolation should not have any impact on the sightseeing outlined in your itinerary.

The United States government currently requires that you show evidence of a negative COVID-19 antigen or PCR test which was taken one day prior to your return to the United States before you are allowed to board your return flight home.

George's International Tours will assist you in procuring the COVID-19 PCR and antigen tests required upon arrival in Israel and before departure back to the United States, however the cost of these tests will be your responsibility and are expected to be approximately \$100.00 per person (subject to change).

If at any time you become symptomatic of COVID-19 during your pilgrimage we will require that you undergo testing at your own expense as per the laws in each country you are visiting. In the event that you test positive for COVID-19 during the course of your pilgrimage you will be required to go into isolation at your own expense at an official Israeli government COVID isolation facility and for the safety of the other participants you will no longer be allowed to continue with the pilgrimage.

Purchasing comprehensive travel insurance that covers medical treatment for COVID-19 while overseas will be mandatory. Information on the policies we offer is available at [georgesintl.com/travel-insurance](http://georgesintl.com/travel-insurance) or you may purchase a policy through a third party if desired.

The entry/exit requirements for Israel and the United States are subject to change and we will notify you of any new regulations that may affect your journey.

We would like to remind you that George's International Tours only acts as an intermediary between you and the other travel suppliers (airlines, hotels, etc.) and in no way assumes responsibility for any COVID-19 related requirements that travel suppliers and governments may impose due to the current pandemic or for any other unforeseen reason.

We are committed to ensuring that the utmost efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19 are taken by every partner and supplier or ours throughout your trip and are confident that the procedures we are implementing will ensure a safe and enjoyable pilgrimage for you.

### RESERVATION APPLICATION

**Carmelite Institute of North America**  
**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land (October 24-November 3, 2022)**  
Group Reference Number: 221024A

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION (Please complete one application per person)

<b>Name</b> (as printed on your passport): First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____		
<b>Name</b> (as you wish it to appear on your name badge):		
<b>Passport number:</b>	<b>Male</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Female</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Passport date of issue:</b>	<b>Passport date of expiration:</b>	
<b>Country of citizenship:</b>	<b>Date of birth:</b>	
<b>Street address:</b>		
<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b>	<b>Zipcode:</b>
<b>Home phone:</b>	<b>Work phone:</b>	
<b>Mobile phone:</b>	<b>Email address:</b>	

#### ROOM ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

<b>Please check one:</b> Double occupancy <input type="checkbox"/> Single occupancy (\$710.00 additional) <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>If choosing double occupancy, please indicate the name of your roommate if known at the time of booking:</b>
<b>If choosing single occupancy, would be willing to share a room with another person?</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

#### EMERGENCY CONTACT

<b>Please list the name, relationship and phone number for a family member/close friend who is <u>NOT</u> traveling with you:</b>
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Please enclose a deposit of **\$300.00 per person** made payable to **George's International Tours** and mail to:

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