



Rabbi Joel Mosbacher and Beth Haverim Shir Shalom

Invite you on an

ISRAEL ADVENTURE

July 24 -
August 5, 2008
\$3,499.00

(per person, based on double occupancy)



Tour Includes:

Roundtrip airfare between New York City and Tel Aviv

2 nights at the Dan Panorama Hotel in Tel Aviv

2 nights at the K'far Blum Gueshouse in the Galilee

6 nights plus late checkout at the Kings Hotel in Jerusalem

8 Days of touring in a deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach with an English-speaking guide

Breakfast daily ■ Shabbat Dinner in Tel Aviv ■ 2 Kibbutz Dinners

Home hospitality Shabbat Dinner in Jerusalem ■ Shabbat lunch at HUC

Farewell dinner at a Jerusalem restaurant

Entrance fees ■ Transfers upon arrival and departure ■ Porterage

Tour Highlights Include:

Jeep tour ■ Druze hospitality ■ Meetings with Progressive Movement Leaders

Tour of Jerusalem's Old City, including the Western Wall Tunnels

Northern tour of Akko, Safed, Misgav Am, and the Golan

Masada, the Dead Sea ■ Yad Vashem, Mt. Herzl, and the Knesset

CAESAREA



THE WESTERN WALL



THE DEAD SEA



Day 1, Thursday, July 24, 2008: BEGIN OUR JOURNEY Evening departure on our overnight flight to Israel.

Day 2, Friday, July 25, 2008: WELCOME TO ISRAEL Afternoon arrival into Ben Gurion Airport. Meeting and assistance by Ayelet Tours staff. Transfer to Tel Aviv. Kabbalat Shabbat services together with Rabbi Meir Azari at Congregation Beit Daniel. Return to our hotel for a celebratory Shabbat dinner. Overnight Tel Aviv (D)

Day 3, Saturday, July 26, 2008: TEL AVIV Breakfast. We begin the day with Shabbat morning services with Rabbi Miri Gold at nearby Kibbutz Gezer. After Kiddish, we return to Tel Aviv and join in a moment of reflection at Rabin Square. Afternoon is at leisure to stroll the beachfront promenade at Tel Aviv or optional visit to the Tel Aviv Museum of Art. Overnight Tel Aviv. (B)

Day 4, Sunday, July 27, 2008: THE NORTHERN COAST Breakfast. Morning visit to Independence Hall, where David Ben Gurion declared Independence for the state of Israel in 1948. We travel north along the coast to Caesarea, home to the world's first artificial harbor. We see the new multimedia presentation, amazing aqueduct and the Roman Theatre. Continue up Mount Carmel where we stop for hospitality in a Druze Village. We continue north to the Crusader city of Akko, where we see the secret Templar tunnels, and the Crusader Fortress with its checkered history. We turn east and travel into the Galilee to Kibbutz Kfar Blum. Dinner and overnight at our Kibbutz in the Galilee (B, D)

Day 5, Monday, July 28, 2008: THE MYSTICAL NORTH Breakfast. Morning visit north to the border kibbutz of Misgav Am, where we are briefed on the security situation along the Lebanese border. We continue to the mystical city of Safed, where we visit the H'Ari and Caro synagogues, home and birthplace of Kabbalah. We have time to stroll its cobbled streets and shop along the amazing artists colony. Dinner and overnight at our Kibbutz in the Galilee (B, D)

Day 6, Tuesday, July 29, 2008: THE GOLAN & THE JORDAN VALLEY Breakfast. We ascend up to the Golan Heights via jeep, arriving at a Golani Army Base for a tour of the facility. Before leaving the Golan Heights we stop at the K'far Haruv outlook for an amazing view down to the Sea of Galilee and much of Northern Israel. We descend and continue south through the Jordan valley to the continuing Roman excavations of Beit Shean, a major Roman city destroyed by earthquake in the 8th Century. We continue south and ascend to Jerusalem, stopping atop Mt. Scopus where we say the traditional Sh'hekianu ceremony. Check into our hotel. Evening free for dinner on your own along Ben Yehuda Street. Overnight Jerusalem. (B)

Day 7, Wednesday, July 30, 2008: THE OLD CITY After breakfast, we enter Jerusalem's Old City through the Jaffa Gate. We cross the Armenian Quarter and enter the Jewish Quarter. Shop along the exquisite store fronts along the Roman Cardo. After lunch (on own) in the Jewish Quarter, we continue to the Davidson Center and Southern excavations. After time for reflection at the Western Wall, we tour the famous tunnels along the length of the Western Wall. Check into our hotel. Evening free for dinner on your own. Options will be provided. Overnight Jerusalem. (B)

Day 8, Thursday, July 31, 2008: THE DEAD SEA AREA Breakfast. Early morning departure south. We ascend to Masada by the new high speed cable car. We celebrate the group's Bar/Bat Mitzvot with a moving ceremony in this meaningful place. Remainder of the morning spent exploring Herod's fortress, site of the Jewish Zealots last stand. After lunch (on own) we visit a nearby Dead Sea spa and enjoy free time along the shores or enjoy a "float" in salty waters, here at the lowest point on earth. This afternoon, we return to Jerusalem, passing the Qumran caves, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. Overnight Jerusalem (B).

Day 9, Friday, August 1, 2008: THE NEW CITY Breakfast. This morning, we begin with a moving visit to the Yad Vashem complex, Israel's memorial to the Holocaust where we tour the new Museum and see the many memorials. We next visit Mount Herzl where we see the military cemetery, home to many of Israel's greatest leaders including Yitzhak Rabin and Golda Meir. We also see the grave of the founder of modern Zionism, Theodore Herzl as well as visit the Herzl Museum, which traces his life's work. We travel to Machane Yehuda Market for lunch and to watch as the people of Jerusalem busily prepare for the coming Shabbat. Dinner this evening will be home hospitality coordinated with a local Progressive Congregation. Kabbalat Shabbat services at a local Progressive Congregation (Kol HanesHEMA or similar). Overnight at our hotel in Jerusalem. (B, D)

Day 10, Saturday, August 2, 2008: SHABBAT IN JERUSALEM Breakfast. Services at Hebrew Union College followed by lunch with Rabbi Uri Regev, Executive Director of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. We have the chance to discuss the progress being made by Progressive Judaism in Israel and around the world. Afternoon at leisure. Havdalah overlooking the Old City walls from the Yemin Moshe Windmill. Overnight Jerusalem. (B,L)

Day 11, Sunday, August 3, 2008: EXPLORING JERUSALEM/FAREWELL Breakfast. This morning we visit Israel's Parliament, the Knesset, where we meet with an MK (pending confirmation). We continue to Hadassah Hospital where we view Chagall windows and deliver gifts to children in the Mother and Child Pavilion. Remainder of day is at leisure for further exploration on your own, relaxation or last minute shopping. Overnight Jerusalem (B)

Day 12, Monday, August 4, 2008: DEPARTURE Breakfast...Day at Leisure. Take the chance to visit the Israel Museum, the Biblical Zoo or one of the many other attractions in the area. Celebratory farewell dinner this evening. Transfer Ben Gurion Airport for our overnight flight back to the United States. (B, D)

Day 13, Tuesday, August 5, 2008: ARRIVAL HOME Land back in the United States.

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