



Tekton Ministries

"Serving God's people on their journey of faith"

Pilgrimage to the **HOLY LAND**



St. Bernard Catholic Church
Tulsa, Oklahoma

November 9th - 19th, 2015

✧ PILGRIMAGE ITINERARY ✧

✧ Day 1 – Nov. 9: Depart U.S.A.

Our pilgrimage begins today as we depart on our flight to Israel. Meals and drinks served aloft.

✧ Day 2 – Nov. 10: Arrive Tel Aviv / Bethlehem

After arrival at Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv, we will be met by our 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. Drive to Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus, for overnight.

✧ Day 3 - Nov. 11: Bethlehem

This morning we will drive to Ein Karem, the birthplace of St. John the Baptist, where we will

- the site where Jesus celebrated the Last Supper. Then
- proceed to our hotel in Jerusalem for check-in.

✧ Day 5 - Nov. 13: Jerusalem

- This morning we will drive to the top of the Mt. of Olives for a spectacular view of Jerusalem. We will then visit the Church of Pater Noster where Jesus taught his disciples how to pray and Dominus Flevit, where Our Lord wept over Jerusalem. Then we will proceed to the Garden of Gethsemane to visit the Church of All Nations. In the afternoon we will enter the Old City of Jerusalem and visit the Church of St. Anne where the Blessed Virgin Mary was born and the Chapel of Flagellation. We will then walk the Via Dolorosa finishing prayerfully in the Church of the



celebrate Mass and have a Holy Hour at the Visitation Church where Mary proclaimed her famous "Magnificat". We will then return to Bethlehem and visit the Nativity Church which was built by the Emperor Constantine in the 4th century over the traditional Grotto of Jesus' birth. Then visit the Grotto of St. Jerome, the Church of St. Catherine and the Milk Grotto Chapel. We will then visit the Franciscan Family Center followed by the remainder of the day free.

✧ Day 4 – Nov. 12: Bethlehem / Jerusalem

This morning we will celebrate an early morning Mass at the Grotto of the Nativity. We will then return to our hotel for breakfast. After checking-out from our hotel we will drive the Shepherd's Fields for a visit. Then proceed to Jerusalem and visit the Temple Mount area of the Old City including a visit to the Western Wall which is the only part of the ancient Herodian Temple still standing and the most sacred place in the world for Jews. Continue on to the Pool of Siloam, where Jesus healed a man born blind. Next we will go to Mount Zion to visit the Upper Room,

- Holy Sepulcher. There we will climb Mt. Calvary and
- celebrate Mass at the site of the crucifixion. We will venerate the site where Jesus' body was anointed, the tomb where he was buried and rose from the dead, and the Chapel of St. Helena where the true cross was found. This evening we will return to Gethsemane for a Holy Hour.

✧ Day 6 - Nov. 14: Jerusalem

- After an early morning Mass in the Holy Sepulchre we will return to our hotel for breakfast. The remainder of the day will be free for personal activities.

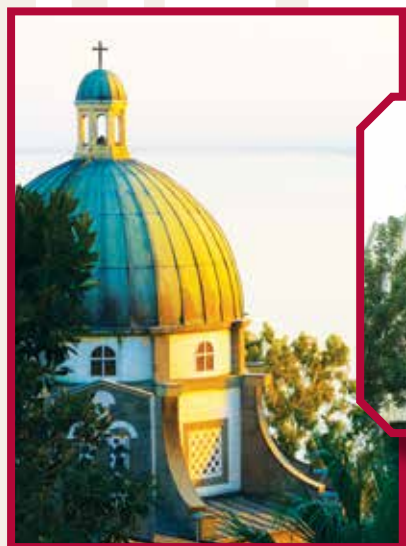
✧ Day 7 - Nov. 15: Jerusalem

- This morning we will visit the Chapel of Ascension where Jesus ascended into Heaven. Then return to the Cenacle for a second visit followed by a visit to Dormition Abbey where the Virgin Mary fell into eternal sleep. After Mass at the Crusader Chapel of the Holy Sepulcher, the remainder of the day will be free.

✧ Day 8 - Nov. 16: Jerusalem / Nazareth / Tiberias

- Following breakfast we will check out from our

hotel. We will then drive to Bethany to visit the site of the House of Mary, Martha & Lazarus and the Tomb of Lazarus. Then proceed to the traditional baptismal site on the River Jordan to renew our baptismal vows. The Bible tells us that the Children of Israel crossed the River Jordan opposite Jericho when they came into the Promised Land. The prophet Elijah divided its waters and crossed with Elisha on dry land. Naaman the Syrian dipped in the waters seven times and was cured of his leprosy. And Jesus was baptized by John in the Jordan (Mark 1:9). Each year, pilgrims from far and wide come to the Place of Baptism to immerse themselves in these holy waters. We will then drive north to Nazareth, the boyhood home of Jesus. Visit the Church of the Annunciation where just behind the altar, at the Cave of the Annunciation, we will see the actual room in which Mary said "yes" to the angel Gabriel. From there we will visit St. Joseph's Carpentry Shop and Mary's Well. We will then drive to Cana of Galilee where Jesus, at the request of Mary, performed His



first miracle...changing water into wine. It was here also that He blessed marriage and raised it to the dignity of a sacrament. If you wish, you may renew your wedding vows as a lasting remembrance of this holy site. After Mass in Cana we will proceed to our hotel located on the shores of the Sea of Galilee in the town of Tiberias.

☞ Day 9 - Nov. 17: Tiberias

This morning we will enjoy a scenic boat ride across the Sea of Galilee. Then visit Capernaum, home of Jesus during his ministry. Visit the synagogue where he taught, and the home of St. Peter. Celebrate a Holy Hour along the shores of the Sea of Galilee. Then visit the Church of Peter's Primacy (John 21:16). Here on the shores of the Sea of Galilee, Jesus appeared to the Apostles after His Resurrection and confirmed Peter in the role as Vicar of Christ with the words, "Feed My sheep." The rock emerging from the center of the church is the actual table at which they ate breakfast. We will then visit and celebrate Mass at Tabgha where Jesus multiplied the Loaves and Fishes and

fed over 5,000 people (Luke 9:13). Next, we will drive to the Mount of Beatitudes to visit the site of the Sermon on the Mount.

☞ Day 10 - Nov. 18: Tiberias / Netanya

After some free time in the morning, leave Galilee and take an excursion to the summit of Mt. Tabor where Jesus transfigured himself and revealed his Divine Glory to the apostles (Matt 17:2). After Mass, we will drive south along the Mediterranean coast to Caesarea, capital of the ancient Roman Procurators of Judea. Here, St. Peter preached and St. Paul was imprisoned for two years. Visit the Roman Theater, Crusader's Moat, and the Byzantine Churches. Continue to the seaside resort town of Netanya where we will spend our last night in the Holy Land.

☞ Day 11 - Nov. 19: Netanya / Tel Aviv / U.S.A.

Today our Holy Land pilgrimage comes to an end. Very early this morning we will transfer to the airport to catch our return flight home.

Pilgrimage Price: \$2,895.00

per person/double occupancy

For a single occupancy please add \$582.00

For land only, please subtract: \$840.00

These rates include:

- * Arrangements for daily Mass
- * Roundtrip economy class airfare from Tulsa to Tel Aviv
- * 9 nights accommodation in local hotels
- * All hotel taxes and service charges
- * Breakfast and dinner daily
- * Middle Eastern special dinner at the Christmas Hotel in Jerusalem on day 7
- * Comprehensive sightseeing with a licensed Christian guide
- * All entrance fees as per itinerary
- * Land transportation by private deluxe motorcoach
- * Arrival and departure transfers only for those on the group flights
- * Porterage of one piece of luggage at airports and hotels
- * All gratuities to guide, driver, and hotel staff

These rates do not include:

- * Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently \$769.08 per person, but subject to change until the time of ticketing)
- * Lunches, drinks with meals, extras at hotels and any expenses of a personal nature

Departures from other airports available upon request.



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Reservations and Payment: Tekton Ministries requires a deposit of \$300.00 per person at the time of booking. This deposit forms a part of your final payment which is due 75 days prior to departure. Reservations made within 74 days of departure must be accompanied by payment in full. Payments made by credit card will incur a convenience fee. Any reservations received within 45 days of departure will incur a late booking fee of \$100.00 per person. This pilgrimage is based upon a minimum of 21 total pilgrims. Surcharges may be assessed for a smaller group size.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be in writing. The following per person cancellation charges will apply in addition to any charges incurred by our suppliers: If canceled 91 days or more prior to departure, a \$50.00 administrative fee will be charged. If canceled 90 - 31 days prior to departure, \$150.00 will be charged. If canceled 30 - 15 days prior to departure, \$450.00 will be charged. If canceled 14 - 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.

Travel Documents: A passport which is valid for 6 months past the date of your return flight home is required of all U. S. citizens. However, U.S. citizens do not require visas for Israel. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please call to find out if you need a visa. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for individual visas or passports.

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

Air Transportation: Air travel is in economy class on Delta Airlines and Air France. Fares are based upon levels in effect at the time of printing and fares and flight schedules are subject to change without notice.

Baggage: Each passenger is allowed one checked bag and one carry-on. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen baggage.

Travel Insurance: We strongly recommend that you purchase comprehensive travel insurance for your trip. Registration information will be provided upon receipt of your deposit.

Not Included: Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (\$769.08 per person subject to change until the time of ticketing), passport/visa fees, personal travel insurance, laundry, beverages and items not on the regular menu of included meals, excess baggage charges, optional sightseeing and expenses of a personal nature.

Refunds: Subject to the foregoing Cancellation Terms, upon cancellation of travel related services, all sums paid to Tekton Ministries/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 Tekton Ministries/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

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