



Next Year in Jerusalem! **Return Ministries Leaders Educational** **Tour to Israel** **Feb 16 – Feb 25, 2010**

Day 1 Tue Feb 16 Depart Canada

Depart **Toronto** or **Montreal** to Israel
Overnight en route

Day 2 Wed Feb 17 Athens

Stop over in **Athens** with hotel accommodations and an optional 4 hour tour.
Late night transfer to the airport to fly to **Israel**.
Overnight en route

Day 3 Thu Feb 18 Jerusalem

Upon our early morning arrival at the **Ben Gurion airport** in **Tel Aviv**, you will be met by a **Sunworld Tours** representative and transfer to your hotel for some rest. The rest of the day is free with no bus or guide. In the afternoon, there will be a short walk to the **Garden Tomb** for a time of worship, communion and **orientation**. Afterwards enjoy a walking tour of **Jerusalem**. In the evening after supper, you will have the option of visiting **Succat Hallel**, a house of prayer in **Jerusalem**.
Overnight in Jerusalem

Day 4 Fri Feb 19 Jerusalem

Begin the day with a visit to **Life Line for the Elderly**, where we will bring song and encouragement to pioneers of the land. Stop at the **menorah at the Knesset** for a time of prayer. Next we will continue to **Yad Vashem**, the Holocaust Memorial Museum. From there we will go into the **Jewish Quarter of the Old City** and explore the markets. Continue to **Davidson Center** where we will learn about the temple days. Stop at the **Western Wall** to pray and witness the celebration of welcoming in the Shabbat!
Enjoy a lovely **Shabbat meal** back at the hotel.
Overnight in Jerusalem

Day 5 Sat Feb 20 Jerusalem

Today we will begin with a drive to the top of the **Mount Olives** for a breath taking view of the **Old City of Jerusalem**. Walk down the **Palm Sunday Path** to the **Garden of Gethsemane** where Jesus prayed for God's will to be done. Continue to **King David's Tomb** and the **Upper Room** where Jesus and His disciples had the last supper. Visit the **Valley of Elah**, where David defeated Goliath.
Overnight in Jerusalem

Day 6 Sun Feb 21 Jerusalem/Dead Sea

Begin the day at an **Ethiopian Absorption Center** and hear **Joel Goldberg** share the stirring story about **Operation Moses**. Tour **Massada**, the fortress built by King Herod. Ride the **cable car** to the top to explore the excavations. Meet **Rick Weinecke** who created the **Fountain of Tears**, a powerful presentation the crucifixion and the holocaust. Take a **dip** in the therapeutic, salt mineral water of the **Dead Sea**.
Overnight by the Dead Sea

Day 7 Mon Feb 22 Dead Sea/Jerusalem/Galilee

Travel down to **Qumran**, where the **Dead Sea Scrolls** were discovered. Next visit **Jordan River, Kaser El Yehud** where Joshua crossed over the Jordan with the children of Israel and where John the Baptist baptized people. Visit **Gideon Springs**, where Gideon divided the men up by the way they drank water from a stream. Take part in an olive oil presentation at the **Selah Workshop**. There you will also meet a family who made Aliyah from Canada.
Overnight by the Galilee

Day 8 Tue Feb 23 Galilee/Golan

Explore **Capernaum**, where Jesus healed Peter's mother in law. Sail on the **Sea of Galilee** and be blessed with a time of worship! Ascend the **Mt of Beatitudes**, the traditional site of the Sermon on the Mount. Travel up the **Golan Heights**, stop at **Banias**, the site of ancient **Caesarea Philipi** where Peter made his confession of faith in Jesus. Explore **Tel Bental Bunker** and learn about God's hand of protection over Israel during the wars.
Overnight by the Galilee

Day 9 Wed Feb 24 Tel Aviv

Travel to **Mt. Carmel**, and visit **Mt Carmel Assembly**. Stop in **Zichron Yaakov** and discover the **Aliyah museum**. Drive along the ancient "**Way of the Sea**" to **Caesarea** to explore the new excavations at this ancient Roman capital and harbor. Explore the ancient port of **Jaffa**.
Enjoy a Farewell Dinner at the hotel.
Overnight in Tel Aviv

Day 10 Thu Feb 25 Israel – Canada

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

***This itinerary is based on Olympic Airways only and subject to change**