



Community of Christ

# Israel/Palestine Peace Colloquy

Walking where Jesus walked and meeting those working today for Peace, Shalom and Salaam in the Holy Land

**November 8-15, 2024**

Register by: August 8

A Multi-Narrative Tour with Israeli and Palestinian Guides. Meet Israelis and Palestinians, Muslim, Jewish and Christian, working for Peace with justice in the Holy Land today. This will include the Community Peace Maker Team in Hebron (Community of Christ Peace Award recipient at the April 2023 World Conference.)

**Jericho Extension\* (Nov 15 - 17)**

“Still We Rise” Women’s Conference in Jericho open to Men and Women. Combined activities for Men and Women on the first day, separate activities for men on the following days.

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- We will walk in some of the places where Jesus walked and taught.
- Connect with Community of Christ history in the Holy Land.
- Meet with USA, British, EU and Australian diplomats for exchange of perspectives.
- Be informed throughout the tour by the fair and balanced approach of the 2016 Community of Christ World Conference Resolution.
- Hear from Christian, Jewish and Muslim Israeli/Palestinian tour guides.
- We will hear and discuss stories from a range of perspectives in this multi-narrative tour.

**PRICING:** \$2,810 - \$3,050\* per person

### INCLUDED:

- 7 nights’ accommodation (double occupancy) in hotels listed (\*or similar)
- Meals: 7 Breakfasts (B), 7 Dinners (D)
- Local MEJDI guides for 6 days
- Private transportation (+ water on bus)
- Entrance fees, site visits, & speaker honorariums
- Customary tips for drivers, guides, and hotel staff
- Pre-trip travel guidance and on-ground support
- International SOS Emergency Medical Coverage

\*Final tour price dependent on # of travelers (20 min/40 max)



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## TOUR ITINERARY SUMMARY

### **November 8: Arrival in Tel Aviv**

Welcome to Tel Aviv! Your Holy Land journey begins with a tour orientation and welcome dinner.

*Hotel: Link Hotel, Tel Aviv (D)*

### **November 9: Nazareth and Galilee**

The day starts at Nazareth's Church of the Annunciation, offering religious and historical immersion, followed by a brief city exploration. Next, a drive to Capernaum reveals its biblical significance. Lunch near Capernaum allows for relaxation and culinary delights, followed by exploring its historical sites. The day concludes in Tiberias with a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee.

*Hotel: Mt Beatitude Guest House, Galilee (B, D)*



### **November 10: Mt of Beatitudes & Bethlehem**

Begin the day at the Mt. of Beatitudes where you'll have time for communion, reading the Sermon on the Mount and reflection. Then drive down the Jordan Valley to Bethlehem where you'll break bread (dinner) with local peacemakers.

*Hotel: Nativity Hotel, Bethlehem (B, D)*

### **November 11: Bethlehem**

Visit Camp Aida refugee camp and the Noor Women's Center. Next, explore the Church of the Nativity, Shepherd's Field and learn about Bethlehem Bible College efforts in the community. Visit Hebron to explore the complex dynamics of this divided city while seeing iconic landmarks. End the day with dinner with a local journalist.

*Hotel: Nativity Hotel, Bethlehem (B, D)*

### **November 12: Settlements & Nabi Saleh**

Start the day with a visit to Yesha Council, the representative organization for settlements. Then visit Nabi Saleh to discuss local activism and the Palestinian perspective. Hear from expert speakers on topics such as water issues, the complexities of settlements, and settler colonialism. End the day with dinner and a meeting with Parents Circle Family Forum, grassroots organization of Palestinian and Israeli families who have lost immediate family members due to the conflict.

*Hotel: Nativity Hotel, Bethlehem (B, D)*

### **November 13: Jerusalem**

Embark on your dual narrative tour of the Old City of Jerusalem starting at Dung Gate and including a visit to Temple Mount and Al Aqsa mosque. Next visit Silwan, a neighborhood in East Jerusalem that has been at the center of tensions between Israeli settlers and Palestinian residents. Meet with US Embassy officials and then conclude the day with a Jeff Halper tour on Zionism and colonialism.

*Hotel: Jerusalem (B, D)*

### **November 14: Tel Aviv and Jaffa**

Tour Sheikh Jarrah with Just Vision before depart for a Dual Narrative tour of Tel Aviv and Jaffa. Visit the American Colony in Jaffa and Museum at Maine Friendship House. Then hear from a panel of EU, UK, Canadian and Australian Embassy officials before concluding the tour with a closing dinner and reflection.

*Hotel: Link Hotel, Tel Aviv (B, D)*

### **November 15: Departure or Extension**

Check out of the hotel and transfer to airport OR option to extend and go to the CMEP And Still We Rise Conference (Nov 15 - 17) in Jericho. Additional details provided and posted on the webpage.