

Israel Tour & Live Worship with Don Moen 2014

TOUR DATES

09 September 2014, Tuesday – 18 September 2014, Thursday 10 Days / 7 Nights / 8 Days Touring

Jointly Organised by: THE BIBLE SOCIETY OF SINGAPORE

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TOUR FEE

Twin/Triple Sharing: S\$3,430.00 per person ^{1, 2, 3} *Note that rates do not include airline fuel and taxes.



INCLUDED IN TOUR FEE NOT INCLUDED Airline taxes and fuel surcharges Return economy class airfare using Turkish Airlines. **DEPARTURE FROM SINGAPORE** of SGD660.00 (as of Feb 14). SIN / IST (09SEP) 2350 / 0610 (10SEP) TK 67 Any increase in airline fuel TK 794 IST / TLV (10SEP) 0915 / 1120 (10SEP) surcharge and taxes. **RETURN TO SINGAPORE** Single supplement surcharge of TK 789 TLV / IST (17SEP) 2120 / 2335 (17SEP) TK 66 IST / SIN (18SEP) 0040 / 1625 (18SEP) SGD630.00 if applicable. Travel insurance. **Event Entry Pass to all major events with Don Moen** Personal expenses, medical **Spiritual Tour Director.** coverage and drinks during Israel licensed guide proficient in the bible and conducted in English. meals. English speaking Jordan licensed guide. Mineral water consumed on the 8 Days of touring in an air-conditioned luxury bus. bus or during the tour. 7 Nights stay in good touring class hotels. Israeli visas for required 10-14 Sep 14, Tiberias, Leonardo Club or similar (4N) nationalities. 14-17 Sep 14, Jerusalem, Beit Yehuda or similar (3N) All sites and entrance fees as stated in the itinerary. Meals as stated in the itinerary. Day 5 and Day 7 - lunch on own Day 9 - dinner on own Water is provided during meals. All tips of USD80.00 to the tour guides, bus drivers, hotels and Special Tour Booklet and touring bag for all participants. All group transfers.

Above tour fee is based on a minimum number of 40 persons per bus. There will be a surcharge of SGD100.00 per person for 35 persons, SGD200.00 for 30 persons and SGD300.00 for 25 persons.

Deposit of SGD 1,500.00 per person (non-refundable) is required upon registration by **18 April 2014**. Balance collection is due on **20 June 2014**. Payment for the tour is by cheque or cash only.

³ All passengers are entitled to 15% discount for Travel Insurance by AIG or TENET via Omega website.



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DAY 01 09 SEP 2014 TUE

SINGAPORE - ISRAEL

Assemble at Changi International Airport in the evening to begin a fascinating and deeply enriching journey that follows the life and ministry of Jesus, taking you to the many places mentioned in the Bible.

On the way to the holy land, sit back and relax onboard Turkish Airlines to Tel Aviv via transit in Istanbul.

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DAY 02 10 SEP 2014 WED ISRAEL / TIBERIAS

Flight will touch down at Israel's Ben Gurion International Airport in the **morning** when you will begin the first day of touring.

Lunch



Caesarea Maritima is where Peter preached the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ to Cornelius' household (Acts 10), placing them among the earliest Gentile believers of the new covenant. This is where the first Gentile baptism is mentioned in the Bible, paving the way for Christianity to spread to all nations. The apostle Paul often travelled here. (Acts 9:30; 18:22; 21:8) He was also imprisoned here for two years before being taken to Rome to stand trial (Acts 23:23; 25:1–13). Built by Herod, Caesarea Maritima was also a great harbour city with an ancient Roman aqueduct and theatre.

Mount Carmel is where Elijah contested and defeated the prophets of Baal by a mighty demonstration of the power of Godd. (1 Kings 18) You will visit the monastery at the top of the mountain and enjoy the panoramic view. You will be able to see the Nazareth Ridge to the northeast, Mount Tabor and the Hill of Moreh to the east, and to the southeast. Mount Gilboa. Below Mount Carmel lies the plain of Jezreel.

(Overnight in Tiberias. Meals: L/D)

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Church of St Peter's Primacy. This is where the resurrected Jesus showed Himself to His disciples as they were fishing and called out to them. (John 21) A touching scene followed as Jesus restored Peter, who had denied Him before the crucifixion, and commissioned him to look after His sheep.

Tabgha (name derived from the Greek *Heptapegon* or "seven springs"). According to tradition, this is the location along the shores of the lake where Jesus called Peter and Andrew to follow Him and become *"fishers of men"*. (Matthew 4:18–19) Walking on, Jesus found James and John preparing their nets in their father Zebedee's fishing boat, and called them to join him as well. (Matthew 4:20–22) Tabgha is traditionally held to be where the miracle of the loaves and the fishes, or the feeding of the 5,000, took place. (Mark 6:35–44)

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Lunch

Capernaum. Located on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, Capernaum was the centre of Jesus' Galilean ministry (Matthew 4:13) after He left Nazareth. Jesus lived here for a substantial period, healing the sick, preaching in the synagogue and performing miracles like delivering a man of unclean spirits. (Mark 1:23–26) Another miracle that was performed here was the healing of the paralytic lowered through the roof. (Mark 2:1–12). Capernaum was also home to Peter and Andrew (Mark 1:29) and Matthew the tax collector. Recent excavations are reputed to have located the remains of Peter's house in this vicinity. There are also the remains of a fourth century synagogue, believed to be built by the centurion whose servant Jesus healed. (Luke 7:1–10) It is likely that this was the synagogue in which Jesus declared Himself as the bread of life.

Ancient Boat Museum. The oldest wooden boat in Israel, discovered on the shore of the Sea of Galilee in the winter of 1986, is found in this museum. It has been dated to the first half of the first century.

The Sea of Galilee (Boat Ride), also known as the Lake of Gennesaret, Lake Tiberias and Lake Kinneret in the Bible, is a small lake fed by the river Jordan and lying about 180 metres below sea level. Violent storms sometimes rush down from the surrounding mountains causing very rough waters. Here, Jesus rebuked the winds and the sea (Matthew 8:23–27), taught from Peter's boat (Luke 5:3), and walked on water (Mark 6:45-52). You will take a memorable boat ride in a traditional fishing boat of first-century design.



(Overnight in Tiberias. Meals: B/L/D)

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Caesarea Philippi (Banias). Located to the north of the Sea of Galilee, on the south-western slope of Mount Hermon, Caesarea Philippi is the source of one of the largest springs feeding the Jordan River. Numerous temples were built here during the Hellenistic and Roman periods and this site was named Panias (Banias in Arabic) after the Greek god Pan. Here, Jesus asked His profound question, "Who do men say that I am?" and Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." (Matthew 16:13–20; Mark 8:27–30). If time permits, the Banias waterfall and the Dan River can also be visited.

Golan Heights (Bashan). In biblical times, this area was known for its cattle and its oak trees. (Amos 4:1–2, Zechariah 11:2, Isaiah 2:13) In the present day, the Golan Heights is a strategically significant area closely guarded by Israel and its neighbours Syria, Jordan and Lebanon. From the top of the military bunker (Mount Bental), you can see the borders of all these nations.

Lunch

Nazareth Biblical Village. The city of Nazareth, where Jesus spent his boyhood with his earthly parents, Joseph and Mary, is located in the heart of an undulating valley. The Church of the Annunciation, traditionally believed to be where the archangel Gabriel announced the conception of Jesus to the virgin Mary, is located here. Although not an ancient site itself, the Village, a careful reconstruction based on the work of leading researchers, offers a guided tour back into the world of Jesus. Visitors are shown ancient agricultural and construction practices, witness the pressing of olives and taste the foods of the day. Villagers in replica costumes help bring the whole experience to life. Nazareth Village offers a unique chance to understand and see how life was experienced by Nazarenes 2,000 years ago.

Mount of Precipice. This is where the Gospel of Luke says Jesus was rejected by His fellow Nazarenes after He had preached in the synagogue. Filled with anger they "led him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built, that they might throw Him down over the cliff". (Luke 4:29).

Cana in Galilee. Traditionally taken to be the site of Jesus' first and second miracles, the changing of water into wine at a wedding feast (John 2:1–11) and the healing of the son of a nobleman living in Capernaum (John 4:43–54), Cana was also the home of Nathanael. (John 21:2) This site is located on the road that leads from Nazareth to Tiberias.

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Mount of Beatitudes. This hill at the north-western point of the Sea of Galilee is where Jesus delivered the famous Sermon on the Mount. (Matthew 5–7; Luke 6) The hill has a hollowed slope that serves as a natural amphitheatre, amplifying any speaker's voice. It also has a view of Capernaum and Tabgha.

Galilee Experience is a multi-media attraction and show about history of Israel and Galilee on the Sea of Galilee in Tiberias. Run by Messianic Jews, 4000 years of Galilean history will come alive before your eyes.

Lunch on own

Free and easy



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TIBERIAS - DEAD SEA - JERUSALEM

Beit 'Abara (subject to Israel Army Clearance) is the place where the Lord Jesus Christ was baptised by John the Baptist (Matthew 3:13-17). This event also took place very close to where Joshua (Joshua 3), Elijah and Elisha (2 Kings 2:6-8, 13-15) crossed the large loop in the Jordan River opposite the ancient city of Jericho. In New Testament times, it became known as Bethany, the village of John the Baptist. If the situation permits (due to the requirement of a military escort as this is a protected area) the group may be able to visit this historic site.

Qumran. The 2,000-year-old Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in a cave here by a Bedouin shepherd chasing a stray sheep in 1947. Consolidated from scrolls found in some 11 caves, every Old Testament book is represented except Esther.

Lunch

Dead Sea ("Float"). Biblically known as the Sea of the Arabah or the Salt Sea, its mineral content is so high that nothing lives in it. With a salt concentration many times higher than that of the world's oceans, the density of the water in the Dead Sea is so high that anyone can float in it. With its unique concentration of minerals, Dead Sea waters have long been known to have health and cosmetic benefits.



Drive up to Jerusalem.

Haas Promenade – A panoramic view of the Old City of Jerusalem.



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DAY 07 15 SEP 2014 MON **JERUSALEM**

The Temple Mount is one of the most controversial and hotly contested sites in the world. Located in the Old City of Jerusalem, it has special significance to the Jews as it was the site of both the First and Second Temples. Many Jews also believe that the Temple Mount is the site of the third and final Temple, to be built in the time of the Messiah. The Temple Mount also has great significance to the Muslims. The Dome of the Rock, believed to be the spot from which the prophet Muhammad ascended through the heavens to God accompanied by the archangel Gabriel, and the Al-Agsa Mosque are located here. The Temple Mount was built on Mount Moriah, where Abraham was prepared to sacrifice Isaac. It was also where Jesus was presented in the Temple by His earthly parents Joseph and Mary and afterwards stayed behind to debate with the teachers. (Luke 2:22-50) The veil in the temple was torn from top to bottom when Jesus died at the cross. (Matthew 27:51)



The Western Wall is part of the retaining wall from the time of the Second Temple and is the most sacred structure in Judaism. Jews have been praying at the Western Wall for centuries believing that the spot is the holiest site on earth after the Holy of Holies. Your friends can see you live at the wall via the Internet when you are there as there are 24hour video webcams and live cameras installed there.

Zion's Gate is located in the southwest of the Old City. It is one of the gates that lead to the Jewish Quarter.

The Jewish Quarter, in the southwest corner of the Old City, is where the remains of a north-south colonnaded street called the Cardo, complete with some of the original Roman columns, can be found. Just beyond the columns is an underground mall where you will find Jewish stores and art galleries.

Lunch on own

The Israel Museum houses some of the most amazing pieces of archaeological artefacts ever uncovered, such as the Dead Sea Scrolls which are the oldest known copies of the Old Testament books at Shrine of The Book.

Holyland Model. A complete scale model of Jerusalem during Jesus' time, this is a great visual aid for visitors. Examine the miniature of the Second Temple of Jerusalem.

Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum This museum commemorates the Holocaust of European Jewry perpetrated by the Nazis before and during World War II.



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DAY 08 16 SEP 2014 TUE JERUSALEM

The Mount of Olives lies to the east of Jerusalem and is named after the olive trees which grow on its slopes. The Kidron Valley separates the mount from the Eastern Gate, the Temple Mount and the City of David. At the foot of the mount is the garden of Gethsemane. The Mount of Olives is where Jesus wept over Jerusalem (Luke 19:37–41), and where He ascended to heaven after His resurrection. (Acts 1:9–12) The Jews, and many Christians, believe that when the Messiah returns, He will descend on the Mount of Olives and enter Jerusalem through the Eastern gate. (Zechariah 14:1–4; Ezekiel 44:1–3; 46:1–2, 8)

Walk down Palm Sunday Road.

Garden of Gethsemane. This garden contains ancient olive trees and is situated at the bottom of the Mount of Olives and opposite the Temple Mount. "Gethsemane" also means "olive press", an appropriate name for the spot where Jesus was so hard pressed as He prayed that He sweated great drops of blood. (Mark 14:32–42; Luke 22:44) This is also where Jesus was betrayed and arrested. (Mark 14:43–50)

Church of All Nations, also known as the Church of Agony, is located on the Mount of Olives within the vicinity of Gethsemane. The church property includes a section of bedrock where Jesus is said to have prayed. The stone is said to form a direct line with the Eastern Gate and where the entrance to the Holy of Holies in the Second Temple is believed to have stood before.

Lunch

The Pool of Bethesda ("House of Mercy") was where a large number of infirmed people waited to be cured by the waters which were believed to have miraculous healing properties. It was here that Jesus healed a paralytic of 38 years. (John 5:1–15) The pool is located within the grounds of the Crusader **Church of St Anne**, built on the site where the home of Anne, the mother of Mary, is believed to have stood. Designed for Gregorian chant, the acoustics of the church's interior are phenomenal.

The Via Dolorosa (The Way of Suffering) is the name of a street in the Old City of Jerusalem, believed to be the path that Jesus walked on the way to His crucifixion. There are 14 stations, each signifying a certain point in Christ's journey with the last five stations situated inside the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. **Ecco Homo Arch**. The reconstructed ruins of this arch, with its three openings, can be seen as you move from the second to the third station of the Via Dolorosa. This spot is named for Pilate's presentation of Jesus to the Jews after He was scourged, where he said, "Ecce Homo!" or "Behold the man!" (John 19:1–5). The **Lithostratos**, or "The Pavement", is located at the third station of the Via Dolorosa and is where Pilate heard and sought to release Jesus. (John 19:13)

The Upper Room, also known as **the Room of the Last Supper**, is believed to be where Jesus shared His last Passover meal with his disciples before His death. (Matthew 26:26–35; Luke 22:7–38) This was also where the disciples were gathered together praying when the Holy Spirit descended upon them on Pentecost after the resurrection and ascension of Jesus. (Acts 1:13–16) Located on **Mount Zion** just outside the walls of the Old City of Jerusalem, the Upper Room was rebuilt by the Crusaders after it was razed to the ground by the Muslims. On the floor below the Upper Room is the traditional burial place of King David, known as **King David's Tomb**.



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The Garden Tomb. Located outside the walls of Jerusalem, this garden is also believed to be the tomb and site of Christ's resurrection. The large cistern located underneath the garden indicates that this could be the garden of Joseph of Arimathea. The Garden Tomb was discovered by General Charles Gordon in 1884 when he identified a prominent rocky crag, which looked like a skull, as Golgotha, or literally "place of a skull". In the midst of the garden lies a tomb whose interior meets all the requirements for the seating of the two angels who spoke with Mary of Magdala. (John 20:10–18) A place of peace and tranquillity, the Garden Tomb is ideal for believers to take Holy Communion, reflect and worship. Holy Communion can be held here to remember our Lord's death and resurrection.

The Bible Experience (Israel Bible Society) is an experience and exhibition created by the Bible Society in Israel to educate people on the origins of the Word of God and the reliability of the scriptures. What were the original languages of the Bible? How have the texts been preserved for over 3000 years, and how has the Bible, in whole or in part, been translated into thousands of languages? What are the oldest known manuscripts of the Bible today and where are they stored? Learn about the discovery of the oldest fragment of biblical text found to date. Also discover how ancient archaeological finds have authenticated the scripture. Learn how in more recent times how the Word of God has been preserved, reproduced and get a chance to be part of this wonderful work and ministry.

Lunch

Mount Scopus. Lying just within the official borders of the city of Jerusalem, this place is famous for its panoramic view of the holy city.

Bethlehem (view). translated as "House of Bread" (Hebrew) or "House of Meat" (Arabic), is a city in the West Bank where many significant events in the Bible occurred. Believed to be the birthplace of Jesus, Bethlehem is also where David was born and where the tomb of Isaac's beloved wife Rachel can be found. The city is home to one of the largest Palestinian Christian communities in the Middle East and special arrangements have to be made to enter this city.

The Shepherds' Field (view) is an area east of Bethlehem, believed to be where the angels appeared to the shepherds in the field and announced the birth of Jesus. (Luke 2:8–10) Several churches were built in this area to commemorate the event. You can still see local shepherds tending their flocks here. Nearby is a fertile plain called the Field of Ruth.



The Road to Emmaus is where the resurrected Jesus appeared to his disciples and opened the scriptures to them concerning Himself. (Luke 24:13–35) The disciples did not realise who was talking with them until they invited Jesus to dinner and He took bread, gave thanks and gave it to them. (Luke 24:30).

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In the evening, you will be taken back to Ben-Gurion International Airport at Tel Aviv for your flight home.

Dinner on own

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Arrive back in Singapore in the evening with many wonderful memories, a deeper revelation of Jesus and a greater appreciation for the Bible.

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