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HOLY LAND

10 Days PILGRIMAGE **US\$2,925**

DEPARTURES: OCT 25 – NOV 04, 2018



The Land of Israel is considered holy because of its association with the birth, ministry, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth, whom Christians regard as the Savior or Messiah, and because it is the land of his people, the Jews (according to the Bible).

Day 01, Oct 25: Departure/Arrival via Korean Airlines in Tel Aviv

Arrive Ben Gurion Airport, meet your driver and guide. Check in at **GOLDEN CROWN OLD CITY HOTEL (3 nights)**

Day 02, Oct 26: Annunciation, Cana, Mount Tabor

After breakfast visit the Basilica of Annunciation in Nazareth where we will celebrate Mass @ 09:00 am and visit Mary's Well and the Church of the Angel Gabriel. we shall head to Cana the site of the First Miracle, we will visit the Franciscan chapel for a renewal of wedding vows. Continue to Nazareth and visit the Roman Catholic Church of the Synagogue. Proceed to Mount Tabor, the site of the Transfiguration (Matth. 17:1-8), we shall ascend by a smaller motor vehicle due to its narrow route. Dinner and overnight in Nazareth.

Day 03, Oct 27: Cana, The Ministry of Christ in the Galilee:

Tiberias, Boat ride, Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, Mt. Beatitudes

This morning we begin with a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee. Our stop will be on the shore of Capernaum where Peter lived and where Jesus began his public ministry (Matth. 4:13), there he began teaching in its Synagogue, healed a man who had the spirit of an unclean devil and healed a fever in Simon Peter's mother-in-law (Luke 4:31-41) followed by a visit to the Mount of the Beatitudes to gain a panoramic vista of the Sea of Galilee and where one of Jesus' famous teaching episodes Sermon on the Mount was given (Matthew 5-7). Then to Tabgha the fruitful garden where Jesus fed five thousand people with five loaves of bread and two fish (Mark 6:30-46), we shall see the magnificent mosaic commemorating the miracle of the multiplication, we head to the nearby Chapel of St. Peter Primacy. Dinner and Overnight in Nazareth. Mass Capernaum St. Peter Memorial 11:00 am.

Day 04, Oct 28: Caesarea, Jaffa, Jerusalem

Check out from Guest house heading to Haifa. We will visit the Carmelite Monastery Stella Maris and Muhraqa located on the spot where Elijah confronted the false priests of Ba'al (1 Kings 18:17-40). Proceed via the coast to Caesarea Maritime, where St. Peter baptized the first Gentile convert (Cornelius) and where he was held Paul prisoner by Romans. It was the center of the Roman governors including Pontius Pilates. Visit the Roman and Crusader ruins, the Crusader City, the well preserved Theatre, the Harbour, and the Roman Aquaduct. visit the ancient Joppa (Jaffa): here was the house of Simon the Tanner (Apostles 10: 9-16) and the place of the Miracle of the resurrection of Tabita (Apostles 9: 36-43). Arrive Bethlehem Dinner. Mass St. Peter Jaffa 15:00. **Check in at MANGER SQUARE HOTEL for 6 nights stay.**

Day 05, Oct 29: Jerusalem, the Holy City and Bethlehem the Nativity

Mt Zion, Church of Visitation, Shepherd's Fields, Church of the Nativity

After breakfast we will visit the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem we kneel in the Grotto the birth place of our redeemer as we celebrate a mass. we drive to the Shepherd's Fields where the angels announced the birth of Jesus. In the afternoon drive to the hill country, to a city of (Ein Karem), the birthplace of St John the Baptist and visit the Church of Visitation where the Blessed Virgin Mary visited the home of Zachariah and Elizabeth, and proclaimed the 'Magnificat' (Luke 1:39-80).. Dinner and overnight in Bethlehem. Mass Bethlehem Basilica St. Jerome 10:00am.



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Day 06, Oct 30: Mt Olives, Palm Sunday, Dominus Flevit, Gethsemane, Cave of Betrayal, Cave of Assumption, Pater Noster.

After breakfast we shall start our pilgrimage in Jerusalem from Mount. of Olives, from which Jesus ascended to heaven after his resurrection, we shall have an eye on history through a magistic view over Jerusalem, visit the Convent of Pater Noster with the Lords Prayer in displayed in 110 languages, and the Ascension from where ascended to Heaven (Acts 1:9-11), we will walk down the "Palm Sunday route" stopping at Dominus Flevit, where Jesus wept over Jerusalem (Luke 19:41). Visit Gethsemane, the Rock of Agony where Jesus prayed His last prayer before his arrest, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me, and we will celebrate a Mass @ 09:00 Grotto am in Gethsemane. Visit the cave of betrayal (Luke. 22:40-46). Then to the cave of Assumption of Mary to Heaven, visit the Upper Room of the Last Supper and King David Tomb. Next we go to Dormition Abbey where we believe the Blessed Mary died We end the day in St. Peter in Gallicantu where Peter denied Him thrice. Return to Bethlehem for Dinner and overnight. Mass Gethsemane Grotto.

Day 07, Oct 31: Stations of the Cross, Church of the Holy Sepulchre, St Anne's Church. Ecce Homo, Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Wailing Wall.


It is an inspiring, full day of meditation. In the early morning we retrace the last steps of Jesus. As we walk along the Fourteen Stations of the Via Dolorosa, praying the Stations of the Cross, we reflect on the greatness of His sacrifice as he bore the burden of our sins on the Cross at Golgotha. Finally we arrive at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre for Mass @ Blessed Sacrament @11:00. Return back towards St. Stephen Gate to visit St. Anne's Church, the home of the Virgin Mary and her parents Saints Joachim and Anne. We pass the Ecce Homo where Pilate proclaimed "Behold the man"; then the Wailing Wall, the most holy shrine for Jews Dinner and overnight in Bethlehem.

Day 08, Nov 01: Jericho, Qumran, Bethany

After breakfast drive to Bethany visit St. Lazarus Church, proceed to Jericho we will have a stop at the Sycamore Tree which believed that Zacchaeus had climbed up a Sycamore Tree as he wanted to catch a glimpse of this wonderful savior then we stop to view Mt. Temptation where Jesus spent forty days and forty nights fasting and meditating during the temptation of Satan. Drive to the Dead Sea to visit Qumran, site of the Dead Sea Scroll discovery. Enjoy a swim (or rather a float!) in the mineral-rich waters of the Dead Sea, renowned for its minerals and healing properties. Dinner and overnight in Bethlehem. Mass Bethany Crusades Church 9:00am.

Day 09, Nov 02: Free day. Dinner and overnight in Bethlehem.

Day 10, Nov 03: Departure. Check out from hotel and transfer to airport for departure flight.

INCLUSIONS:	FLIGHT INFO: 
1. Round-trip Economy Class Airfare & taxes via Korean Airlines	KE 624 25OCT MNL-Seoul 0030 0520
2. 4 Star Hotel Accommodation based on Twin Sharing	KE 957 25OCT Seoul-Tel Aviv 1510 2100
3. Daily Breakfast and Dinner	KE 958 03NOV Tel Aviv-Seoul 2210 1525+1
4. Air-conditioned bus with tour guide	KE 623 04NOV Seoul-MNL 1910 2215
5. Daily masses	
6. Full-day tours of important religious and historical sites	Minimum of 15 adults for tour to proceed.

*Note: Above tour fares and rates, itinerary, tours and flight details are subject to change.