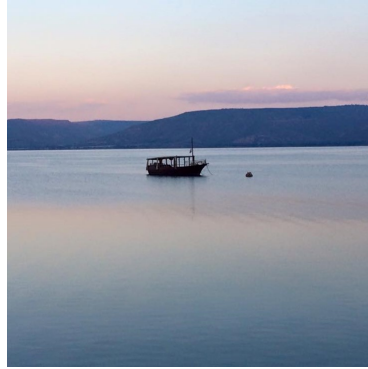




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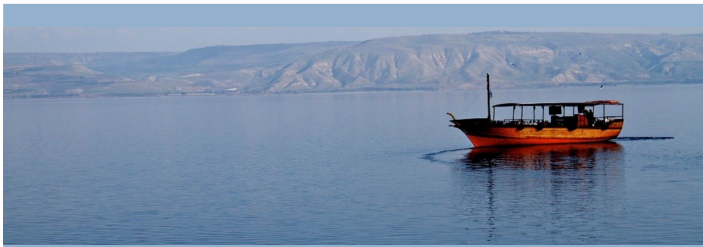
A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

with the Revd Rob Powell

22 - 31 May 2023

10 days based in Jerusalem & Galilee





We invite you to come and know this for yourselves whether you are new to the Holy Land or have been many times before; there are always new sights and sounds to reflect upon. Reading the gospels will never be the same again and by visiting the Holy Land we are standing in solidarity with our brothers and sisters there too. To have the chance to meet the 'living stones', the local Palestinian and Israeli Christians who are the ongoing, living church in the region, is humbling.

Our pilgrimage will include the sites where the most important events in Our Lord's life and ministry took place: in Jerusalem and the surrounding area and further north in Galilee. We hope that if you have never been on pilgrimage to the Holy Land before you will choose to join us and, if you have been before, we welcome you back. Our journey is a life changing as well as faith changing experience.

We invite you to journey with us and to share in this great opportunity to see those places we read of in the Scriptures.

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It is always very moving to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, there is so much to see and experience and learn together. St Jerome said: 'Five gospels record the life of Jesus. Four you will find in books and the one you will find in the land they call Holy. Read the fifth gospel and the world of the four will open to you.'

TOUR INFORMATION

For bookings received by 16th September 2022, we offer advanced booking price of £2,385 per person. This saves you £180 per person off the full tour price of £2,565.

The price is per person based on sharing a double or twin room with ensuite bathroom. We stay in two family owned and managed hotels. In Jerusalem, the three star Golden Walls Hotel overlooks the Old City walls and is within walking distance of the Holy Sepulchre. In Tiberias, we stay at the four star Ron Beach Hotel right on the shore of the Sea of Galilee.

The tour is on a full-board basis with buffet breakfast, lunch and evening meal included daily. Touring is by air-conditioned coach and we will be accompanied by a local guide who will share leadership responsibilities and look after the formalities of hotel check-ins, etc. All entrance fees are included as well as gratuities; these will be disbursed locally to those that help us on our journey.

Flights are with British Airways direct between London Heathrow Airport and Tel Aviv and all airport and security charges are included. A complimentary visa is issued on arrival in Israel (please see the back page).

Not included

Travel Insurance: this is essential. We require all travellers to have adequate cancellation and medical coverage for their trip. We have a recommended insurance policy which includes COVID-19 cover and is £84 per person aged up to 75 years at the time of purchase and £165 per person aged 76-90 for bookings up to £3,000 per person. For bookings over £3,000 the premium would be £121 for ages up to 75 and £235 for ages 76-90 You may choose to have annual or another suitable insurance.

Optional Excursion: to Masada and the Dead Sea is £105 per person.

Single rooms: are at a supplementary cost of £595. For single travellers who do require single accommodation this should be requested when booking and, if a single room is available, the supplement will be payable.

TRAVELLING ALONE

Many of our passengers travel alone and are willing to share a twin room. We accept a limited number of bookings on a 'guaranteed share' basis. We charge the basic price and accommodate you with a person of the same sex also requesting shared accommodation. If we do not find someone to share with you, you will be accommodated in a single room at only 50% of the usual single room supplement.

Special Requests: should be noted on the booking form. A deposit is payable now with the balance payable eight weeks prior to departure.

Final Travel Documents: will be posted to you two weeks before departure.

Late Bookings: please note that for bookings made within 12 weeks of departure, the price may increase due to the fluctuating cost of flights. If this arises, we will always discuss this with you before processing your booking.

TO MAKE A RESERVATION

To reserve your place please complete the enclosed booking form and send it with a deposit of £250 per person plus the relevant insurance premium (if required) to Revd Rob Powell. Please make cheques payable to 'McCabe Travel Ltd'. If you prefer to pay by card, please make a note on the booking form and McCabe will contact you to take payment over the phone.

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DAILY PROGRAMME



Monday 22 May | TO THE HOLY LAND

We meet at Heathrow Airport. British Airways flight BA165 to Tel Aviv departs at 08:00 and arrives at 14:50. Transfer to our hotel in Jerusalem. **Six night stay at the Golden Walls Hotel close to the Old City and the biblical sites we shall be visiting.**

Tuesday | MT OF OLIVES & EIN KAREM

We drive to the Mount of Olives with its panoramic view of the walled city. We visit Pater Noster Church, Dominus Flevit Chapel, and the Church of All Nations in the Garden of Gethsemane. After lunch at St Andrew's Guest House, we head to Ein Karem, birthplace of John the Baptist. We continue to the Israel Museum to see the model of Jerusalem at the time of Jesus and the Dead Sea Scrolls.

Wednesday | VIA DOLOROSA

Enter the Old City through Zion Gate and walk through the Jewish Quarter to the Western Wall and view the Temple Mount (El Aqsa Mosque and Dome of the Rock). We finish our morning by the Pool of Bethesda and St Anne's Crusader Church. Lunch at Ecce Homo convent and see the Lithostrotos. We walk along the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and end the day at the Garden Tomb where we celebrate Holy Communion.

Thursday | BETHLEHEM

We cross into Palestinian territory and drive along the Way of the Patriarchs to Herodian, Herod's desert palace, for a visit. We then continue to Bethlehem. We visit the Shepherd' Fields and lunch at the Shepherds' Tent restaurants. Afternoon visit to Manger Square, the Basilica and Grotto of the Nativity and St Jerome's Caves. Time for some shopping at an olivewood co-operative before heading back to Jerusalem.

Friday | MASADA & THE DEAD SEA

A free day in Jerusalem or an OPTIONAL excursion to Masada and the Dead Sea. We drive into the Judean wilderness to Herod's desert fortress and go up by cable car. Then an opportunity to float in the therapeutic waters of the Dead Sea before lunch at the Lot Hotel. On our return journey to Jerusalem we call at Qumran, site of the Dead Sea Scrolls' discovery, and the Wadi Qelt to view the desert Monastery of St George.

Cost £105 including lunch. We will book you on the excursion unless you indicate otherwise on the booking form.

Saturday | MT ZION & BETHANY

We drive to Mount Zion and the Church of St Peter in Gallicantu, site of the High Priest's house. Continue to Bethany and the church and tomb of Lazarus as well as a visit to Jeel al-Amal Boys' Home, supported by the McCabe Educational Trust. Lunch at the Notre Dame Centre with the rest of the afternoon free.

Sunday | COASTAL PLAINS TO GALILEE

We drive to the Roman capital of Caesarea on the Mediterranean and visit the restored theatre and the aqueduct. Lunch by the sea at the Port Café. We drive up on to the Carmel mountain range to visit the site of Muhraqa (associated with the Prophet Elijah) before we transfer to Tiberias. **Three night stay at the Ron Beach Hotel by the Sea of Galilee with visits to places associated with Jesus' early life.**

Monday | NAZARETH

We drive to Mount Tabor and the Basilica of the Transfiguration with its panoramic views over the plain of Armageddon. Continue to Nazareth Village, a living history of 1st century Galilean life, where we stay for a 'biblical' style lunch.

We walk from Mary's Well to the Synagogue Church and the Basilica of the Annunciation and return to Tiberias via Cana, scene of Jesus' first miracle.

Tuesday | THE LAKESIDE MINISTRY

Today we visit the sites associated with Jesus' life around the Sea of Galilee. We drive to the north of the lake and visit the ruins of Capernaum. After visiting Mensa Christi, where Jesus appeared to his disciples after His resurrection, we celebrate Holy Communion on the shores of the lake at Dalmanutha in Tabgha beside the Church of the Loaves and Fishes. Drive up to the Mount of Beatitudes' church and garden, commemorating the Sermon on the Mount. Lunch here in the convent. Today we also stop at the Jordan River baptismal site. We then continue to Nof Ginosar to see the ancient fishing boat. We then sail on the Sea of Galilee back to the hotel.

Wednesday 31 May | HOME

We leave Tiberias and drive to the site of the archeological site of Megiddo (Biblical Armageddon) which overlooks the Valley of Jezreel. Today we have a picnic lunch and continue to Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv. Our British Airways flight BA164 to Heathrow departs at 16:40 and arrives at 19:55.

Please note the itinerary may be subject to change due to local conditions and flights can also be subject to alteration but are correct at the time of printing.

There will be quite a bit of walking on this pilgrimage. Please talk to the tour leader or call the McCabe office for advice if you are at all concerned.



GENERAL INFORMATION

THE MCCABE EDUCATIONAL TRUST

For many, meeting the 'Living Stones' of The Holy Land becomes a real highlight of their pilgrimage. The McCabe Educational Trust is an independent registered charity with the aim of helping inspiring people we meet on pilgrimage. On your pilgrimage you will meet some of these people. As 'the haves' encounter the 'have nots' the Trust has become a practical tool for one to help the other.

McCabe Pilgrimages invite all travellers to become partners in this work. A £15 voluntary donation to the Trust's work is added to every pilgrim's invoice and all money raised in this way is given in full to the projects the Trust supports. This scheme is voluntary and confidential with nobody put under any pressure to participate.

PASSPORTS, VISAS AND HEALTH

Please ensure that your passport is valid for at least six months beyond the end of this pilgrimage. If you need a new passport apply early as there can be considerable backlogs at the passport offices. A visa is issued free of charge on entering Israel and there are currently no further requirements for entering the Palestinian territories. If you are holding a non-British passport, or require further advice, please consult the relevant embassy. No inoculations are required but we advise you to consult your doctor regarding your own personal requirements.

HOLIDAY INSURANCE FOR 2023 DEPARTURES

We have arranged a holiday insurance policy that includes cover if you receive a positive COVID-19 diagnosis within 14-days of your scheduled departure date or and have to cancel your trip. Cover also includes non-UK medical treatment and additional accommodation, repatriation and travel expenses if you are diagnosed with COVID-19 during your trip.

The insurance is arranged by Global Travel Insurance Services and underwritten by ERGO Travel Insurance Services Ltd (ETI) on behalf of Great Lakes Insurance SE (GLISE).

A full policy wording will be sent to you with confirmation of your booking, or ask us and we will send you a summary. [A summary of the cover is available to view on our website. We recommend that you review the summary of cover before purchasing the insurance.](#)

We will not provide you with advice about the suitability of this product for your individual needs but will be happy to provide you with factual information.

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Should you wish to take out this holiday insurance policy please include payment for the appropriate premium when booking your holiday.

The cover under this policy is only available to United Kingdom residents being defined as: Any person who has an address in the United Kingdom, has lived in the United Kingdom for at least 6 of the last 12 months, and is registered with a General Practitioner in the United Kingdom.

AITO QUALITY STATEMENT

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