

APRIL 23 – MAY 3, 2018

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS

A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

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Father Maurice Mamba and Deacon Greg McNabb invite you to join them for an inspiring pilgrimage to the Holy Land. The Holy Land is often referred to as the 5th Gospel, a place where the people, places and events of the Bible come to life. We will be traveling during a beautiful time of the year when spring flowers are in bloom and temperatures are pleasant. Our program balances archaeological visits, religious visits and opportunities to learn more about the rich cultural life of local people – enjoying their hospitality, food and art. We will celebrate Mass each day at sites where Jesus and his early disciples gathered and/or where pilgrims have gathered over the centuries. We will be staying in nice 4-star hotels in locations that give us access to the amenities of Israel during our free time. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to walk in the footsteps of Jesus along the shores of Galilee and through the historical streets of Jerusalem. Come join us!

Program Highlights

Mon Apr 23: Depart Seattle for Tel Aviv.

Tue Apr 24: Arrival Tel Aviv. Meet the our tour manager at the airport and transfer to the hotel in the Sea of Galilee area. If the flight arrives early enough, stop en route at sites like Caesarea Maritima, Mt. Carmel, or Jaffa. Check into the hotel with some time to relax before a welcome dinner at the hotel. Overnight Tiberias.

Wed Apr 25: Breakfast. Travel to nearby Nazareth to visit sites associated with Jesus' childhood, including the Basilica of the Annunciation (and the Grotto of the Annunciation, with Mass) the Church of St. Joseph, and Mary's Well. Continue to nearby Cana for a marriage renewal ceremony at the site of Jesus' first miracle. This afternoon, visit Sepphoris and then Mt. Tabor to celebrate the Transfiguration, with a prayer service here. Dinner and overnight Tiberias.

Thu Apr 26: Breakfast. Begin with a visit to Magdala to see a recently uncovered 1st century synagogue where Jesus and Mary of Magdala undoubtedly prayed. Continue with a visit Nof Ginosar – where a 1st century fishing boat (the so-called "Jesus boat") has been exhumed from the Sea and restored. From here, take a boat

ride on the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum to see the house of St. Peter and the large synagogue built on the site where Jesus read from the Torah. Afterwards, visit nearby Tabgha to celebrate the multiplication of the loaves and fishes, with Mass. Conclude with a visit to the Mt. of Beatitudes, with walking meditation that will end with vespers here. Dinner and overnight Tiberias.

Fri Apr 27: Breakfast. Travel to Jerusalem today, stopping en route at Qasr Al-Yahud for a baptism renewal ceremony. Upon arrival in Jerusalem, visit Mt. of Olives for a panoramic view of the Old City, followed by Mass at Dominus Flevit, where Jesus wept over the city. This is adjacent to the Garden of Gethsemane. Afterwards, check into hotel with some free time to relax, explore neighborhood, or even walk into the Old City. Dinner and overnight Jerusalem.

Sat Apr 28: Breakfast. This morning, begin walking from St. Anne's and the Pool of Bethesda along the Via Dolorosa, ending in the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre with Mass. Enjoy a light lunch in the Old City, followed by the afternoon free to shop and explore the Old City. Dinner and overnight Jerusalem.

Sun Apr 29: Breakfast. Travel to nearby Bethlehem for Mass and a visit to the Basilica of the Nativity. Afterwards, visit with a local Palestinian Christian organization to learn more about their challenges and hopes. Enjoy lunch in Bethlehem and then return to Jerusalem to visit the Western Wall. Enjoy some free time before dinner. Overnight Jerusalem.

Mon Apr 30: Breakfast. Celebrate Mass at Dormition Abbey, followed by the day at leisure. The tour manager can facilitate some optional visits to places such as the Rabbinical tunnels, the City of David, Hezekiah's Tunnels. This evening, visit with a local interfaith group after dinner at the hotel for a presentation and a Q&A session. Overnight Jerusalem.

Tue May 1: Breakfast. Go on a full-Day excursion to the Dead Sea to visit Masada, Ein Gedi and Qumran. Dinner and overnight Jerusalem.

Wed May 2: Breakfast. Enjoy the morning at leisure in the Old City. This afternoon, visit the Israel Museum, Holocaust Museum, Ein Karem, or another venue for liturgy. Enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant before a late evening transfer to the airport.

Thu May 3: Arrive in Charleston today.

Inclusive Features

Roundtrip air from Seattle to Tel Aviv, 8-nights accommodations in a central 4-star hotels, breakfast daily, two lunches, dinner daily, a full time tour manager, guided visits with local experts per the itinerary, and local transportation via deluxe motorcoach.

Travel Resource Center

Visit www.travelillum.com/trc/bhy for details and registration information.

With questions please contact:

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Complete Program Prices

Includes group airfare and airport transfers

\$3975 per person based on double occupancy

+\$575 additional - airline taxes, airport fees, security fees, fuel surcharges (estimate as of August 9, 2017)

\$850 supplement for single occupancy

Land Only Program Prices

Excludes all airfare and airport transfers

\$3275 per person based on double occupancy

\$850 supplement for single occupancy

Please note: Single rooms for single use are limited to 10% of the total number of rooms reserved. Should additional single rooms be requested, hotels may impose a higher supplement for all single rooms. If you have selected double occupancy but no roommate is available due to uneven numbers or if your roommate should cancel, you will be in a single room and responsible for the single room supplement.

All prices listed are discounted for payment by check. When paying with a credit card you will be charged the standard base price which is 5% higher.

All program prices are based on availability of services at the time registration material is received; currency exchange rates in effect August 9, 2017—and on 2017 land and air tariffs—and are subject to change. All services are provided subject to Illume's Conditions and Clauses.

The program prices will be reviewed before the invoices for the final payment are mailed, and will reflect the current prices.

Travel Protection

Illume suggests that you purchase travel insurance to help protect your trip and your investment from unexpected circumstances. Please read the Illume Conditions and Clauses attached to the Program Registration Application to review the charges that will apply in the event that you cancel your program participation. Illume offers you the option of purchasing a Group Deluxe Travel Protection Plan for your program. If you wish to purchase the plan, **the premium should be paid with your initial deposit on the same check.**

Travel Protection Rates

Group Deluxe

\$319 per person – double occupancy

\$353 per person – single occupancy

Group Deluxe – Cancel For Any Reason (CFAR)*

\$478.50 per person - double

\$529.50 per person – single

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To download the Plan Document, please visit the "Travel Protection" link on your program's Travel Resource Center.

Program Registration

Complete the Application and forward with your **\$800.00** deposit per person (and travel protection payment, if purchasing) by **October 1, 2017** to:

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Registrations will be accepted after October 1, 2017 on a space-available basis. Additional costs may apply. Contact Illume for pricing and availability after October 1, 2017.

Checks should be made payable to Illume.

A second non-refundable deposit of **\$1800** per person due not later than: **November 15, 2017**

Balance of payment due not later than: **January 9, 2018**

Note: Any changes to the program will be outlined in the final documents which you will receive one month prior to departure. If changes are made that affect the program price, you will receive an invoice or a credit accordingly.

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