

PASTOR FAMAKINWA BAMIDELE - EGYPT / ISRAEL TOUR

13 DAYS BIBLICAL JOURNEY TO EGYPT AND ISRAEL

MAY 17 - MAY 29, 2017

HOSTED BY PASTOR FAMAKINWA BAMIDELE

I would very much like to invite you to join us as we embark on a life-changing tour to Egypt and the Holy Land. This unique and amazing experience will bring to life many of the most treasured Bible stories you have read about now for years.

Our goal and fervent prayer is that you will become so much more intimately acquainted with the life and ministry of Jesus Christ, that your study of God's preserved word will never be the same again.

God Bless,

Pastor Famakinwa Bamidele



\$2445 - Per Person in Double Occupancy



JOIN US ON A
JOURNEY
OF A LIFETIME

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Day 1 | WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2017

USA DEPARTURE

Our journey begins today as we depart the USA on our way to Cairo Egypt, home of the Great Sphinx of Giza and Pyramids. Sit back relax and enjoy your flight. tomorrow you will be walking through Bible history!

Meals included: On Board

Overnight: On Board

Day 2 | THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017

ARRIVAL IN CAIRO, EGYPT

Today we arrive into Cairo Egypt, where we will meet our guide and transfer to our hotel. We check in just in time for a wonderful dinner. Tomorrow is our 1st tour day.

Meals included: Le Meridien Pyramids Hotel (Cairo)

Overnight: Full Buffet Dinner

Day 3 | FRIDAY MAY 19, 2017

PYRAMIDS / SPHINX / ENTER INSIDE THE GREAT PYRAMID / CAMEL RIDE / EGYPTIAN MUSEUM / OLD CAIRO / COPTIC CAIRO

We start our day at one of the 7 Wonders of the World, the Pyramids of Giza and the Great Sphinx. What a great opportunity to go inside the Great Pyramid to explore the burial chamber of the ancient Pharaohs! Where else will you get to ride a camel in the Sahara Desert with the Egyptian Pyramids as a backdrop. Explore Old Cairo, visit the Egyptian Museum, the home of the greatest collection of Egyptian treasures in the world, and say Hi to King Tut! Visit Coptic Cairo and the famous Suspended Church, the Church of St. Sergius, and the Synagogue of Ben Ezra. Nile Dinner Cruise with Show (*Optional \$55 pp including transfers) can be arranged with our tour guide upon arrival in Egypt.

Meals included: Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: LeMeridien Pyramids Hotel and Spa

Day 4 | SATURDAY MAY 20, 2017

SINAI DESERT / MARAH BY THE RED SEA / ELIM / REPHIDIM / MT. SINAI / DINNER IN A BEDOUIN TENT

After breakfast we will trace the routes of the Biblical Exodus and travel from Cairo to the Red Sea. Stop at Marah, the desert spring where the children of Israel found the water bitter. Visit the desert oasis of Elim and Wadi Feiran, where you will see Mount Serbal, the possible site where Moses held his arms up for victory.

Enjoy an authentic Bedouin dinner in a Bedouin tent. Optional Night Activity: Climb Mt. Sinai and experience a stunning sunrise view. Those who choose to climb Mt. Sinai, please bring warm clothing and comfortable walking shoes. An optional camel ride is available for up to 1/3 of the mountain and can be arranged with your tour guide for \$25 per person.

Please note: The options for accommodation in the remote area of Mt. Sinai are very limited. Although not equivalent in quality to the other hotels we use along this tour, the hotel we use is the best in the area.

Optional Night Activity:

Optional Climb to Mt. Sinai. For those who wish to climb Mt. Sinai, please bring warm clothing and comfortable walking shoes for the ascent. Optional Camel ride is available up to 1/3 of the Mt. and can be arranged at the spot with your tour guide for \$25 per person.

Meals included: Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: Moregen Land

Day 5 | SUNDAY MAY 21, 2017

ST. CATHERINE MONASTERY/ TABA BORDER / EILAT / FLY TO TEL AVIV

After breakfast visit the beautiful Monastery of St. Catherine and learn about its exceptional history. It is the only continuously used church building in the world. We will drive from Mt. Sinai to the Taba Border. Cross the border and fly from Eilat to Tel Aviv. You will be met and assisted by our Israeli tour guide and bus driver. We drive to Tel Aviv - Israel's largest and most modern city (20-30 minutes drive from the airport). Check in at Herods Hotel, conveniently located in the heart of Tel Aviv, on the shore of the Mediterranean Sea. You'll have free time to rest and relax in your hotel room or stroll the Tel Aviv famous sidewalk. After our welcome dinner we will explore Old Town Jaffa at night. We will arrive in Jaffa and walk through the narrow passages of Old Jaffa, believed to be the oldest port city in the world. See the amazing St. Peter Church at night and take in a spectacular view of the Tel Aviv shoreline from Jaffa's Hilltop. Return to our hotel

Meals included: Full Buffet Dinner

Overnight: Tel Aviv, Herods Hotel

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Day 6 | MONDAY MAY 22, 2017

FROM TEL AVIV TO THE SEA OF GALILEE VIA THE MEDITERRANEAN / CAESAREA / MT. CARMEL / MEGIDDO / NAZARETH / NAZARETH VILLAGE / CANA / SEA OF GALILEE / TIBERIA

After breakfast we start our tour heading north to the Sea of Galilee. We will have a relaxing drive along the beautiful coast of the Mediterranean Sea and stop at Caesarea Maritime (Acts 9:30; Acts 10: 24-48), which was the center of early Christians. Here Cornelius the Centurion and his household were saved and baptized (Acts 10), and it was also here where Paul made his defense before Festus and King Agrippa prior to his final journey to Rome (Acts 25 & 26). Next, we will stop at Mount Carmel (Mushraka), where Elijah issued his challenge to the False Prophets. Then on to Megiddo (1 Kings 4:28, 9:15; 2 Kings 23:29 & Rev.16:16), and the Valley of Armageddon (Revelation 16), to see the remains from Solomon's days, and view the site where the Battle of Armageddon will be fought. We continue along the Jezreel valley to visit the town of Nazareth and the Church of the Annunciation (Luke 1:26, 4:16-29; Matthew 2:23). We will take in an unforgettable view of the city of Nazareth from the top of Mt. Precipice, also known as Mount of Precipitation, or Mount of the Leap of the Lord. It is believed to be the site of the rejection of Jesus, described in Luke 4:29-30. Our last stop will be in Cana of Galilee, where Jesus performed his first public miracle - the turning of water into wine at a wedding feast (John 2:1-11). Drive through the Lower Galilee region to the Sea of Galilee. We'll check in at our lovely kibbutz hotel on the shores of the Sea of Galilee.

Meals included: Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: Sea of Galilee, Kibbutz Ein Gev

Day 7 | TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2017

**SEA OF GALILEE AND THE UPPER GALILEE
MOUNT OF BEATITUDES / TABGHA / CAPERNAUM /
UPPER GALILEE / CAESAREA PHILIPPI**

Today we will experience the area of Jesus' early ministry around the Sea of Galilee. After breakfast we will drive along the shores of the Sea of Galilee and visit the Mount of Beatitudes (Matt. 5,6,7,8), where Jesus preached the Sermon on the Mount. We will visit the famous chapel, constructed in 1939 by the noted architect Antonio Barluzzi, and enjoy the breathtaking view. We will continue to Tabgha - the site of the Feeding of the 5,000 and Primacy of Peter (Matt. 13; Mark 33-45; John 21).



Here we will visit the Church of Multiplication with its 4th century mosaic floor. Continue on to the 2,000 year old remains of Capernaum (Matt. 4:13, 13:54, 17:24; Luke 7; Mark 1:2; John 4:46-54). Here we can stand in what is left of the synagogue in which Jesus ministered. It was from this city that Jesus did most of his Galilean ministry, where he performed many miracles, and where Peter's mother-in-law lived and was healed. We will drive to the upper Galilee to visit Banias - ancient Caesarea Philippi (Matt. 16:13 and Mark 8:27), where Jesus said "on this rock I will build my Church". We will hike through the natural Banias nature reserve to the water falls. We will drive through the natural Hula Valley and the Upper Galilee region back to the Sea of Galilee. We'll return to our hotel for dinner and a restful evening.

Meals included: Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: Sea of Galilee, Kibbutz Ein Gev

Day 8 | WEDNESDAY MAY 24, 2017

**SEA OF GALILEE AND JORDAN RIVER / SAIL ON THE
SEA OF GALILEE / "JESUS BOAT" / YARDENIT / BETH
SHEAN / DEAD SEA / FREE TIME TO FLOAT & ENJOY
THE RESORT**

After breakfast we will board a wooden boat and sail on the Sea of Galilee as the disciples did 2,000 years ago. We will dock at Kibbutz Nof Geonsar and visit the "Ancient Jesus Boat" - the remains of a 2,000 year old boat that was discovered in 1986. This boat was used at the time of Jesus and his disciples. We conclude our Galilee tour with a visit to Yardenit - the wonderful baptismal site on the Jordan River. From here we will drive south along the Beth Shean valley and the ancient city of Beth Shean (Mark 5:20, 7:31) for an overview of this remarkable archeological site. It was here that after defeating Saul and his sons on Mount Gilboa, the Philistines hung their bodies on the walls of Beth Shean (1 Samuel 31). We will drive through the Jordanian Valley past the city of Jericho and arrive at the lowest place on earth - the Dead Sea. We will check in at our hotel, located on the shores of the Dead Sea. After check in and before dinner we will enjoy relaxing free time at our wonderful Dead Sea resort hotel, conveniently located on the shores of the Dead Sea. Walk to the beach and float in the salty water of the Dead Sea. You can also take this opportunity to enjoy the Dead Sea famous mud and mineral treatments at the hotel's spa.

Meals included: Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: The Dead Sea, Daniel Dead Sea Resort

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Day 9 | THURSDAY MAY 25, 2017

EXPLORING THE DEAD SEA AND THE JUDEAN DESERT / DEAD SEA / MASADA / QUMRAN / JERUSALEM / MOUNT OF OLIVES / GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE

Today we will explore the Dead Sea and the Judean desert region and its biblical and historical sites. Visit the mountaintop fortress of Masada. We will ascend to Masada by cable car and discover the 1st century Synagogue, Herod's Bathhouse and many other sites. Stop for overview at Ein Gedi, where David hid in a cave when running from Saul. Next, we will visit Qumran and walk through the ruins of this ancient Essene community. From here we will ascend to Jerusalem – the holy city of Zion. Mount of Olives to stand where the Lord ascended into heaven as we take in a breathtaking panoramic view of the city across the Kidron Valley to the Eastern Gate where the Prince of Peace will enter (Ezekiel 44). We will pass by Pater Noster Church and visit Dominus Flevit where "the Lord wept" as he beheld the Holy City, and take the Palm Sunday Road down to the Garden of Gethsemane where we will see 2,000 year old olive trees that date back to the time of Christ. Free time to rest, relax, have dinner and enjoy your first evening in Jerusalem

Meals included: Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: Leonardo Plaza Hotel in Jerusalem

Day 10 | FRIDAY MAY 26, 2017

TEMPLE MOUNT ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATIONS / SOUTHERN WALL / SOUTHERN STEPS / DAVIDSON CENTER / WESTERN WALL /

Today we walk where Jesus walked. Following breakfast we will head to the Old City and enter via the Dung Gate to visit the Western Wall ("Wailing Wall") – the holiest site in Judaism and one of the original ancient walls that retained the Temple. We will continue to the Southern Temple Mount archaeological excavations. From here Jesus entered the Temple Mount and drove out the vendors and money changers who were exploiting the people. At the Davidson Center museum, we will view a documentary of the excavation and a 10-minute film describing a visit of a pilgrim to the second temple as it was in Jesus' time. Our next stop will be at the western wall tunnels and discover this amazing site. We will visit the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu. According to tradition, this was the place of the palace of the high priest Caiaphas, where Jesus was brought to jail after his arrest. (Mark 14: 72) We will return to our hotel for a festive Shabbat dinner.

Meals included: Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: Leonardo Plaza Hotel in Jerusalem

Day 11 | SATURDAY MAY 27, 2017

JERUSALEM OLD CITY / VIA DELAROSA / ST. ANNE CHURCH / POOL OF BETHESDA CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHER / CHRISTIAN QUARTER / GARDEN TOMB

Following breakfast we will enter the Old City via the Lion's Gate. The entrance marking the beginning of the last walk of Jesus from prison to the crucifixion – the Via Delarosa. We will start our walk along the Stations of the Cross to visit St. Anne Church, the Pool of Bethesda, Judgment Hall of Pilate and all the way to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. We will enjoy some free time to rest and shop. We will end our touring day visiting the Garden Tomb.

Meals included: Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: Jerusalem, Leonardo hotel

Day 12 | SUNDAY MAY 28, 2017

HALF DAY FREE / BETHLEHEM / "YAD VASHEM" HOLOCAUST MUSEUM / FARWELL DINNER

After breakfast we will enjoy half day free in Jerusalem. Around noon time check out from our hotel. We will drive to Bethlehem to visit the Church of the Nativity (Luke 2: 1-7). We venture out to the Shepherd's Field, referenced in Luke 2:8-20, where an angel appeared to announce the birth of Jesus. We will head to the new city of Jerusalem and pass by the Knesset, Israel's parliament. We will head to Mt. Herzl area for a visit to the newly renovated Holocaust Museum – "Yad Vashem". If time permits, we will return to the city center and enjoy some free time at the Ben Yehuda Street to experience the authentic Jerusalem restaurants and shops. We will depart from Jerusalem and drive to the village of Abu Gosh to enjoy our great Farwell dinner. From here a shorty transfer to Ben Gurion Airport for our departure flight back to the US. Our flight depart right after midnight.

Meals included: Full Buffet Breakfast and Dinner

Overnight: Onboard

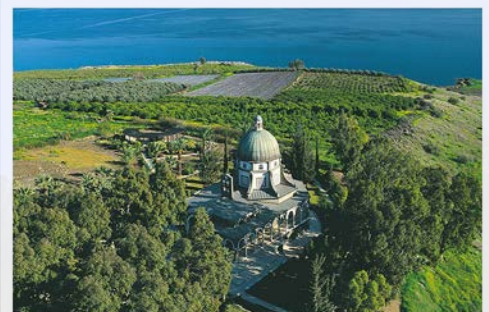
Day 13 | MONDAY MAY 29, 2017

ARRIVE HOME & PRAISE GOD FOR A FANTASTIC TRIP

* Remember to bring your Bible and notepad as we study the Scriptures at each site identified in the Bible.

INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR PACKAGE:

- 9 nights 5-star accommodation as per above hotels
 - 2 nights in Cairo @ the Le Merdein Giza
 - 1 night in Mt. Sinai @ the Morgen Land
 - 1 night in Tel Aviv @ the Herods Hotel
 - 2 nights in Sea of Galilee @ the Leonardo Plaza Tiberias
 - 3 nights in Jerusalem @ the Leonardo Plaza Jerusalem
- "Meet & Assist" at the airport by our airport representative.
- Group arrival and departure transfer escorted by your tour guide
- All entrance fees to the sites listed in your tour itinerary
- All touring with bible expert, licensed, English speaking tour guides
- All private transportation in modern deluxe A/C coach and driver.
- Sea of Galilee boat ride, Cable car transportation from/to Masada
- All land and service taxes are included
- Porter fees at airports and hotels
- One way flights Eilat to Tel Aviv
- Taba border fees & Assistance
- \$30 pp Entry visa to Egypt for US citizens only



NOT INCLUDED:

- International Flights
- Lunches daily
- Travel insurance (optional but highly recommended)
- \$80 per person Tips to tour guide, bus driver and hotel staff

QUESTIONS?

For more information and registration please contact:
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REGISTRATION

Land Only Package - \$2445 All Taxes Included

Per Person in Double Occupancy

- Based on min. 27 travelers / Single Room Supplement - \$895
- A \$500 pp Tour Deposit is due by Monday, February 13, 2017
- Final payment is due by Monday, March 6, 2017
- Please make all checks payable to: America Israel Tours

You may register online by visiting:
americaisraeltraveltours.com/pfb

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America Israel Travel, 5000 N. Parkway Calabasas | Suite 104, Calabasas, CA 91302

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