

Join us for Christ Community Church's Trip December 25, 2009 – January 6, 2010



Israel



Questions? Call 818.341.5750 (9am-4pm, PST) or email: geoffster5@aol.com

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Trip Package **\$3,300.00**

Taxes (air & fuel included); prices are based upon *double occupancy* (that means you have a roommate! ☺)

Total Israel Cost \$3,300.00 X (number of Israel passengers) _____ = \$ _____

Optional

Single Room (Request no roommate; this is no fun though ☹) add \$500.00 to \$3,300 = \$ _____

TOTAL DUE \$ _____

For Singles Please select one if you are not paying for a single room (above).

- I wish to share a room with _____
- Please assign me a roommate. (Specify age range preference, if any.) _____

For Travel Companions Other family, friends, or group not listed below.

- I wish to travel with _____

Yes, Sign Me Up for My Trip of a Lifetime!

A **non-refundable** deposit of \$100 per person is due **Friday, June 12, 2009**. **One half** of the total remaining balance will be due **Friday, August 7, 2009** with **remaining balance due Friday, October 30, 2009**. Please remember that the total cost does **not** cover expenses *en route* (i.e. in London), shopping, **lunches** in Israel and "extra meals" while in Israel. A confirmation and statement of balance due will be mailed following registration and all payments. **I have read and agree to the Terms & Conditions and Fact Sheets (attached) governing this tour.**

****Be advised—trip will fill quickly!****

Signature _____

I have enclosed \$ _____ Check (please make checks payable to: **Christ Community Church**).

#1. Name on Passport _____ Passport # _____ Passport Expires _____
 #2. Name on Passport _____ Passport # _____ Passport Expires _____
 Nickname(s) (for badges) _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Day-time Phone _____ Email Address _____

*It is **very encouraged** that you purchase travel insurance. See Pastor Geoff for a **Travel Insured**© brochure.

Terms and Conditions

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Release of liability

Christ Community Church herein referred to as "CCC" (7911 Winnetka Ave, Winnetka, CA 91306), is responsible for organizing and booking this Israel trip scheduled to depart Los Angeles International Airport on December 25, 2009. I understand that CCC is the coordinator of the hotels, ground operators, guide, and sites, as well as contractor with travel agents for air travel to and from Israel to provide me, the traveler, with the benefits of this trip. I understand that the carriers, hotels, and other suppliers providing services are independent contractors and are not agents, employees, servants of, or joint venturers with CCC. All certificates and other travel documents for services issued by CCC and/or its agents, are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the supplier, and to the laws of the countries in which the services are supplied.

As a willing participant in this trip with CCC, I understand that it may have certain dangers and risks involved while flying, traveling, or residing in the scheduled areas. I understand certain risks may be unavoidable on this trip, and therefore, I agree to hold harmless CCC, its officers and staff, and/or any group leaders, from **any** and **all** liability arising from anything connected with this trip, for any loss, act or omission, whether negligent or otherwise, of any person or firm which is to, or does provide goods or services for the trip.

I understand CCC shall have no liability to the participant for the duration of the trip for any transportation delay, including but not limited to liability for inconvenience, shortened vacation time, death or disability, additional expense, or any other kind of damage.

I understand CCC is not responsible for problems due to government actions, weather, mechanical breakdowns, war, terrorism, acts of nature (or, rather, known as "acts of God" ☺), or other circumstances beyond their control. If a travel ban is imposed by the United States on any country in which I am scheduled to land or travel, it is possible the trip will be rescheduled, shortened, or lengthened, to accommodate the travel ban or travel restrictions.

I understand that I may be traveling under a State Department "travel warning" for the State of Israel (a travel warning has been in effect during all previous Israel trips and the trips were taken without incident. We expect to experience the same during future trips). I accept any risk associated with traveling at this time. In the event of delay, the airline, not CCC, determines delay procedures and the amenities / compensation, if any, to be offered. CCC will not accept responsibility for additional charges incurred for expenses or lost wages as a result of changes to flight times, and/or missed vacation time. In some extreme circumstances, the trip may be pushed forward or backward 24-36 hours. Fuel and tax surcharges for the international airfare are estimated. If the final surcharge is \$50 or more than our estimate, we reserve the right to bill you for the difference after you return.

***Please NOTE:** I understand that my deposit of \$100 is **totally** non-refundable. I further understand that the cancellation fee for canceling 90 days or more prior to departure is 50% of all monies paid. If I cancel inside of 90 days of departure, there is no refund due me.

I agree to pray for the safety, camaraderie, and positive spiritual impact for all who will travel on this trip to Israel.

By agreeing to travel on this trip, I accept these terms and conditions of travel and further accept this to be binding on my heirs and descendants, and their heirs and descendants.

Sign here x _____

FactSheet: Christ Community Church's Study Trip to Israel 2009-2010

Dates: Friday, December 25, 2009–Wednesday, January 6, 2010

OUTBOUND Depart LAX on Fri, Dec. 25 at 9:00am on US Air#754, arriving in Philadelphia at 4:53pm. Depart Philadelphia on Fri, Dec 25 at 9:15pm on US Air#796, arriving in Tel Aviv at 3:30pm on Sat, Dec 26.

INBOUND Depart Tel Aviv on Tuesday, Jan 5 on US Air#797 at 11:15pm, arriving in Philadelphia at 5:10am. Depart Philadelphia at 9:40am on US Air#1419, arriving in LAX at 12:48pm.

NOTE: This is a 13-day trip, which affords us **ten full days** of study and travel in Israel – 10 days when we get up in the morning and go to bed at night *in the land of Israel!*



A Distinctive Learning Experience: This will be a remarkable *study* trip. Special teaching elements--regular preview & review sessions, an instructor/guide who is an evangelical Christian & seasoned students of the land & of the history and the culture of Israel, study manuals to enhance the impact of the various regions and sites--are designed to insure that each traveler really learns the land, and thus comes to a deeper appreciation of the way in which the stage on which so much of the drama of the Scriptures was played out properly shapes his understanding of that drama itself.



A Delightful Adventure: Explore the ruins of a Roman fortress overlooking the Dead Sea; push through the tunnel dug 2700 years ago by King Hezekiah to protect the city of Jerusalem; peek over a cliff overlooking the plain of Genesaret; make your way through an archeologist's tunnel along the ancient retaining wall that reshaped the temple mount. This trip will be punctuated with hikes and special activities of this sort, available to all who are able and interested!



An Abiding Devotional Experience: With all of the focus on learning the history and geography and terrain of the land, as well as upon exploring every corner of this very special land, we will take the time to ponder what God has to teach us through the biblical narratives we are considering and the biblical personalities we are remembering. God has spoken to mankind, first of all in event revelation (breaking into human history) and then through word revelation (as recorded today in Scripture). As we trace many of those "mighty acts" of God in history—events which we will consider at the very place where they occurred—the truth of who God is and what He has wrought will impact you in a way which will stir your soul afresh and make a difference in your life.

Itinerary: The itinerary in Israel is subject to change, but we promise that it will be very complete. The emphases will be as follows:

Sat 12/26 – Tues 12/29 — **Jerusalem.** For the first few days of the tour, we will give three days to a thorough investigation of the city where God placed His name. We will carefully study and explore the city itself, walking the streets and the walls of the Old City, visiting important and instructive sites in the modern areas of the city as well, and in all getting to know not only the history of this biblically important city, but its unique peoples and timeless culture as well.

Wed 12/30 **The Shephelah and Bethlehem** We will consider the all-important approaches to the city of Jerusalem from the west – the lowlands and the coastal region inhabited by the Philistines to the west of Judah/Jerusalem. We will spend this night in the beautiful guest houses of Yad HaShmonah, an evangelical Christian moshav just west of Jerusalem which features a display of facilities and installations built to authentically reflect Jewish life and culture of Jesus' day – a synagogue, threshing floor, winepress, oil press, etc.

Thurs 12/31 – Fri 1/1 — **The Jordan Rift and the Jeshimon** Driving through the deserts of Israel ("Negev"), our journey includes a stop for a swim in the mysterious lake which is the Dead Sea on our way to overnight at the "Grand Canyon of Israel," Maktesh Ramon. On the next day we will visit Masada (Herod's mountain fortress), En Gedi (the desert spring where David hid from Saul), and Qumran (Dead Sea Scrolls), and then make our way up to Jerusalem, surveying the Wilderness of Judea and considering Jericho from an overlook on the Ascent of Adumim (the road traveled by the man who fell among thieves in Jesus' parable, and by Jesus in many of His travels). We will make our way to Yad HaShmonah, a delightful Christian moshav which will be our host for six nights.

Sat 1/2 – 1/4 — **The Coastal Plains and the Galilee.** For three days we will explore the region of Galilee, the area which was so strategic to all of biblical history, but especially the life of the Lord Jesus. We will visit Caesarea on the coast, make our way up to Mt Carmel, across the Valley of Jezreel, and then the region of the Sea of Galilee, the Hulah Basin to the north, and the Golan Heights to the east. Our host during this portion will be En Gev, a delightful kibbutz on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. This is where we will have a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee and see many sites related to the life of Christ.

Fri 1/5— **The Israel Museum.** This will be a wonderful easy-going final day in the land as we traverse from Galilee down the Jordan Rift to Bet Shean (a marvelous Roman city) to the Israel Museum to see some of the original Dead Sea Scrolls. We will also see the Jerusalem Model. This is a model built showing what Jerusalem would have looked like in the days of Jesus. It is a helpful conclusion

to the tour to fit it all together. We will end the day with some free hours in the Old City for some last-minute shopping and souvenirs.

Fri 1/5 — The flight home (depart Tel Aviv @ 11:15pm and a quick stop through Philadelphia with the long-awaited arrival in LAX at 12:48pm on **Wed, Jan 6**).

Cost: \$3,300 per passenger. Included is a trip totaling 13 days, which includes 10 full days in Israel, with guide/teacher throughout the trip, all lodging, travel, entrance fees and incidentals paid. ***Note:** the cost does *not* cover lunches or any personal items (gifts, snacks, etc).

***NOTE: Restrictions and Requirements:** This study trip will demand much more of the traveler than the ordinary tourist trip, both in terms of daily schedule and physical exertion. The days will often begin rather early (leave between 7-8am) and involve several hours of study and hiking. Therefore, it is **very important** that each traveler be capable of walking **2 to 4 miles** a day, often up and down steep hills, and very possibly in some heat and/or some rain (in the Spring). Most important, remember that you must be in possession of a **valid** and **unexpired** PASSPORT [which does not expire within six months of the departure date].

Deadline Dates

Ψ A non-refundable deposit of \$100 immediately (**NO later than Friday, June 12, 2009**) in order to secure a place on the Study Trip to Israel.

Ψ An additional payment of at least \$1,650 must be made by **Friday, August 7, 2009**, and the balance must be paid **IN FULL** by **Friday, October 30, 2009**.

Ψ Cancellations: Land cost - full refund less deposit & administrative costs; Airfare - once purchased, the passenger must appeal to the carrier.

Registration Procedure: If you would like further information, please contact:

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NOTE: If you would like to register for the *Study Trip*, please send your **deposit** to the address above. Make the check out to **Christ Community Church**, note "Israel Study Trip" in the memo line and please include the following information with your deposit:

- the **full name** of all travelers (as the name appears on his/her passport),
- complete mailing address(es),
- phone numbers (day & evening),
- **e-mail** addresses,
- passport number(s) & **expiration date(s)**,
- any questions or special concerns you may have.

Thank you so very much and we trust this will be an enriching life-experience,

Geoffrey R. Kirkland

Pastor Geoff Kirkland
On behalf of Pastor Eric Thomas and the CCC Elder Board