



Exegetical Study Tour

Shoresh Study Tours Itinerary

A Ministry of CMJ Israel



February 4 – 16, 2019

Hosted by: Bishop John Guernsey and Rev. Daryl Fenton, CMJ USA Director

This FAM (familiarization) tour of Israel is primarily designed to introduce potential future tour leaders to the ministry of Shoresh Study Tours, and to prepare them to lead future trips if they feel so called. The secondary purpose of this tour is to give teachers and preachers of Scripture new exegetical insights.

We will examine the historical, geographical, cultural and linguistic context of the Bible as we move from the Negev to Galilee in order to gain a Hebraic perspective of our faith, paying special attention to the Hebrew Bible (the Old Testament) and how its themes are used and developed in the New Testament. Equally, we will focus on Jesus of Nazareth to come to an understanding of ways we can better present his life and teachings to our communities. We will also ask ourselves how can we create a culture of Bible in our churches so that the word of God remains vital and relevant in each generation.

Monday, Feb 4
Tuesday, Feb 5

DEPARTURE FROM USA
ARRIVAL IN THE LAND OF PROMISE

THE DESERT

We arrive at Ben Gurion Airport near Tel Aviv, where we will be met by our guide for the trip. We will travel to our accommodation in the desert city of Beersheva.

Wednesday, Feb 6

OUR FATHER ABRAHAM

We examine in some detail the stories of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob as we explore Biblical Negev, Tel Beersheba and Tel Arad. Time permitting, we will visit the graves of the Patriarchs in Hebron. Evening discussion: Preaching/Teaching Jewish Holidays. Overnight: Beersheva.



Thursday, Feb 7 **PREACHING THE EXODUS**
We recount the stories found in Exodus and Numbers as we visit Wadi Zinn, Mitzpe Ramon and Sde Boker.
Overnight: Beersheva

Friday, Feb 8 **IN THE WILDERNESS PREPARE THE WAY**
Today we visit the Dead Sea area beginning at Masada, then spending much of our day at the Essene settlement of Qumran. Here we will view Cave 1 or 11 (time permitting) where the first Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in 1947. If time permits we take a dip in the Dead Sea. Evening Shabbat Meal and discussion: The Sabbath in the Life Our Communities. Overnight: Christ Church Guesthouse, Old City, Jerusalem

JERUSALEM

Saturday, Feb 9

THE FAITHFUL CITY



We begin with an introduction to Jerusalem at the Tower of David. We will walk around the Old City stopping at key sites: the Holy Scephulchre, the Pools of Bethesda and Hezekiah's Broad Wall. Time permitting, we may visit the Israel Museum. After dinner we will enjoy a short stroll to a rooftop panorama of the Old City and talk with the Director of Shores Study Tours.

Sunday, Feb 10

WORSHIP

We join in worship this morning at Christ Church. In the afternoon, we will visit Yad Vashem, Israel's Memorial Museum to the Holocaust. Here we will discuss the value and pitfalls of using modern Jewish history (the Holocaust in particular) in our teaching and preaching. After dinner we will have a talk on how to book and lead a tour with Shores. Overnight: Christ Church Guesthouse, Old City, Jerusalem



Monday, Feb 11

BUILD ME A SANCTUARY

We will walk through Jerusalem's Jewish Quarter and visit the Temple Mount, Western Wall and the Southern Wall Excavations. Our afternoon is free for rest, reflection, shopping or, for the energetic, perhaps a walk on the walls of the Old City. Overnight: Christ Church Guesthouse, Old City, Jerusalem.

Tuesday, Feb 12

THE REIGN OF GOD

We depart early this morning for the Galilee where we focus on Jesus' message, Repent the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand in its Jewish context. Sites today include Jericho, the Jordan River, and Mount Arbel. Evening discussion: Changing the Way the Church Thinks About the Kingdom. Overnight: Sea of Galilee

THE GALILEE

Wednesday, Feb 13

COME AND FOLLOW ME



In the Galilee and Golan Heights we examine discipleship in its 1st century setting while visiting Capernaum, the MT. of Beatitudes and Chorazin. Evening discussion: Preaching and Teaching – Discipleship. Overnight: Sea of Galilee

Thursday, Feb 14

NORTHERN ISRAEL – “WHO DO MEN SAY THAT I AM?”

In the morning we will visit a reconstructed Jewish village at Katzrin, where we will take another close look at life in New Testament times and the use of everyday imagery in Scripture. At Dan Nature Reserve, we consider ancient Israel's apostasy and the meaning of “living water” in the Hebrew Scriptures and Jesus' teaching. Overnight: Sea of Galilee

Friday, Feb 15

CAESAREA MARITIMA

At the fabulous ruins of the Herodian city of Caesarea Maritima, the site of the conversion of Cornelius and the location from which Paul left the shores of Israel and set sail on his journey to Rome, we look at the big picture of God's call on Abraham and the nations (Genesis 12). Time permitting, we will discuss ways to preach/teach eschatology in its various forms while at Megiddo. This evening we will have a special farewell dinner. Overnight: Kfar HaMaccabia



Saturday, Feb 16 TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

Morning Departure: Straight Home

Church leaders and spouses who are interested are welcome to join us!

Are you interested in holding space on the **EXEGETICAL STUDY** tour with
Bishop John Guernsey and Rev. Daryl Fenton?

February 4 - 16 , 2019

Approximate Air & Land Price: \$3000

Approximate single room supplement: \$700

Price is based on two persons sharing a double room. • Travel Health Insurance is required by every tour participant.

\$500 deposit per person at time of registration is required to secure registration. Space is limited and reflects special group rates.

Registrations and deposits are due by: **October 8, 2018**

The price of your Shores Tour is all-inclusive and includes accommodation (with breakfast and dinner), transportation, guide, all entrance fees, study materials, tips and gratuities. Excludes: lunches and personal expenses.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Itinerary and accommodation subject to change if conditions necessitate.
- Some days involve a **significant amount of walking and or steep climbing**. Every effort will be made to enable all tour members to fully participate at every site, but in some cases that may not be possible.

To reserve your place, please contact Rev. Daryl Fenton:

Daryl.Fenton@cmj-usa.org or send your \$500 deposit to: CMJ USA,

[Clip & mail to CMJ USA, PO Box 890, Winchester VA 22604](#)

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Tel: _____

E-mail: _____

Yes! I'm interested in holding space on the **EXEGETICAL STUDY TOUR, February 4 - 16, 2019**. I have enclosed my check for \$500 per person to hold space on the tour. Please send me the completed brochure with confirmed tour price when available. (Anticipated total cost, except for lunches—\$3000 (+/-) per person.) When tour pricing is finalized if you choose not to participate, your holding fee is refundable, less \$10 for handling.