



**JULY 15-25, 2023**

**\$4,650 PER PERSON (NEWARK LIBERTY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT DEPARTURE)**

**Day 1 - Saturday, July 15 - Newark Liberty International Airport Departure**

**Day 2 - Sunday, July 16 - TEL AVIV - JAFFA** Arrive at Tel Aviv airport, where we meet our guide and have Mass at St. Andrew's Church in Jaffa, afterwards we make our way to our hotel on the shores of the Mediterranean. Dinner and overnight in Netanya. (D)

**Day 3 - Monday, July 17 - CAESAREA MARITTIMA - HAIFA - MT. TABOR**

After breakfast and checkout from our hotel, we continue to Caesarea Marittima, a seaport on the Mediterranean Sea, located about 30 miles north of Joppa and 70 miles northwest of Jerusalem. This was built by Herod the Great as his summer palace and in honor of Caesar Augustus. Caesarea became the home of the Roman procurators, including Pontius Pilate. Peter preached to Cornelius here (Acts 10); Paul spent two years in prison here (Acts 23 & 26); Philip lived here and had four daughters who prophesized (Acts 8:40; 21: 8-9). We will visit Stella Maris, Elijah's Cave and Mt. Carmel. Our final stop is Mt. Tabor, the site of the Transfiguration, for Mass. Dinner and overnight at a hotel in Tiberias. (B, L, D)

**Day 4 - Tuesday, July 18 - CAESAREA PHILIPPI - THE SEA OF GALILEE & BOAT RIDE**

This morning we drive to Caesarea Philippi, where Peter acknowledged Jesus as the Messiah. We return to the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum, the home of St. Peter and the Heptagon (Peter's Primacy). Here we will celebrate Mass. Following, a visit to Tabgha to commemorate the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. Then we ascend by motor coach to the Mt. of Beatitudes with its panoramic view of the Sea of Galilee. Finally, we end our day with a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Tiberias. (B, L, D)

**Day 5 - Wednesday, July 19 - CANA - NAZARETH - JERUSALEM**

After breakfast and check out from our hotel, our first stop is Cana, the site of Jesus' first miracle at the wedding feast. Here couples are invited to renew their marriage vows. Then on to Nazareth to visit the Basilica of the Annunciation for Mass; we will participate in the Angelus Prayer here. After lunch, we continue to St. Joseph's Workshop and Mary's well. We proceed to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, L, D)

**DAY 6 - Thursday, July 20 - BETHANY - BETHLEHEM - SHEPHERDS FIELD**

Our first stop is at the little village of Bethany, on the eastern slope of the Mt. of Olives about 3 km from

Jerusalem: it was a favorite place of rest and refuge for Jesus. We will celebrate Mass here. We travel on to Bethlehem; the birthplace of Jesus and part of our tour will include a visit to the Greek Orthodox Basilica of the Nativity, one of the earliest and most important of all Christian ecclesiastical buildings, it enshrines the cave believed to be the place where Jesus was born (Luke 2:7). The Milk Grotto located in the crypt of a small Franciscan chapel, celebrates the tradition that the cave was used as a place of refuge by the Holy Family before their flight into Egypt. We will visit the Shepherd's Field. We return to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 7 - Friday, July 21 - THE OLD CITY AND THE VIA DOLOROSA & LATIN PATRIARCHATE OFFICE**

We begin our day by entering the Old City through St. Stephen's Gate with a visit to the Church of St. Anne, marking the birthplace of the Blessed Mother and the nearby Pools of Bethesda; then proceed to the Chapel of the Flagellation (where Our Lord was scourged), and the Ecce Homo Arch and Lithostrotos. Afterwards, we participate in the Via Dolorosa (Stations of the Cross) ending with a visit to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Mass at the Tomb. After lunch, we will have an audience at the Latin Patriarch's office. The balance of the day will be in the Old City. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Jerusalem. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 8 - Saturday, July 22 - JERUSALEM: MT. OLIVES - MT. ZION**

After breakfast, we will begin our day with a breathtaking view of the Holy City on the Mt. of Olives, visit the Place of Jesus' Ascension and the Pater osier grotto. Afterwards, we walk down the Palm Sunday path to Dominus Flevit where He wept over the city. Down at the bottom of Kidron Valley we will visit the Greek Orthodox Church marking the tomb of Mary. Then we visit the Garden of Gethsemane, the site of the arrest of Jesus and taking Him to the house of the High priest Caiaphas. Mass at the Church of all Nations. We continue to Mount Zion to see the tomb of King David and the nearby upper room of the Last Supper. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Jerusalem. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 9 - Sunday, July 23 - JORDAN RIVER - QUMRAN - DEAD SEA - JERICHO**

This morning we drive to Jericho, being the normal route from Galilee to Jerusalem, Jesus passed through it several times. We will see the traditional sycamore tree of Zachaeus & view Mt. Temptation. We will have Mass at the Church of the Good Shepherd. Later we continue towards, the Qasr Al- Yahud baptismal site. This site holds the oldest and most ancient tradition for being the place of Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist in the Jordan River. We continue to Qumran, site of the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls. We stop to view the Dead Sea, the lowest point on earth. Optional swim in the salty water. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 10 - Monday, July 24 - EIN KAREM**

After breakfast, we visit Ein Karem, the Church of St. John the Baptist for Mass and the Church of the Visitation. After lunch, we drive back to Jerusalem for a free day of exploring the city. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 11 - Tuesday, July 25 - TEL AVIV AIRPORT**

After breakfast and check out from our hotel, we will depart for the airport and our flight home. (B)

**Itinerary subject to confirmation (Price is based on a minimum of 20 paying participants and subject to airline price confirmation).**



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## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Itinerary is subject to change.

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Round trip economy class jet service provided, based on advance purchase fare, subject to participation of one person on the entire flight itinerary. Air fares subject to government approval/change without notice. Airline taxes and fees quoted are subject to change until the time of ticketing. Ave Maria Pilgrimage Tours, Inc., (referred to in this document as AMPT) is not responsible for any inconvenience, including refusal of boarding caused by tickets and travel documents not matching. Passenger must confirm that the name on the ticket matches exactly the name as shown on the passport. We ask that a copy of the passport information page be sent to us with your documents. Group ticketing does not always allow us to select seating. If a passenger has a medical need which requires specific seating, it is recommended that a doctor's letter be presented. We will make an effort to accommodate your need but cannot guarantee airline cooperation.

**LAND ONLY PACKAGES:** Any client who arranges their own air transportation takes sole responsibility for meeting the group at the time of our arrival. AMPT cannot be responsible for any misconnections. Client assumes full responsibility for catching up with the group and agrees to wait if the group is delayed for any reason. Client also agrees to assume the additional cost of transfers which do not coincide with the time and location of the group's schedule.

**BAGGAGE:** One piece of checked baggage and one carry-on bag are allowed. Although the airlines may allow more than one piece of checked luggage, we must still restrict each passenger to one piece due to cargo hold size restrictions on buses. The maximum sizes and weights of these pieces are listed on the particular airline websites. It is recommended that you check these regulations prior to departure, please reference [www.tsa.gov](http://www.tsa.gov). Any fees for baggage are the responsibility of the traveler. Passenger is responsible for his/her own baggage and travel insurance is recommended.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** Lodging is based on twin occupancy. For single accommodations (if available), a single room supplement will be quoted and may be charged. We reserve the right to substitute hotels as required. Breakfasts and dinners will be provided. Extra charges for additional beverages.

**LAND ARRANGEMENTS:** As outlined in the itinerary; however, we reserve the right to modify or adjust the itinerary.

**SIGHTSEEING:** By deluxe motor coach, where applicable, including services of English-speaking guides. Most pilgrimages require a substantial amount of walking.

**TIPS AND TAXES:** Those normally appearing on hotel and restaurant bills as "service" are included, as are all governmental and local taxes on hotels, meals. Tips for drivers, guides etc. are additional tipping suggestions will be provided.

**NOT INCLUDED:** Airport taxes; passport and visa fees; laundry; room service; additional sightseeing not listed in itinerary; event tickets, personal items; excess baggage and airport service charges.

**MINIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:** We reserve the right to cancel or modify the itinerary if the total number of participants falls short of the number required to meet our contract with our ground operators and airlines. If we cancel a tour due to insufficient numbers, you will receive a full refund.

**DEPOSIT AND FULL PAYMENT:** A deposit of \$500 per person to secure reservation will be applied to the price of the tour. Final payment must be received

from 65 days prior to departure. Reservations made within 90 days of departure are subject to a \$100 late reservation charge.

**CANCELLATION FEES:** Participants are strongly recommended to take trip cancellation insurance. Cancellation fees are as follows: more than 150 days prior to departure a \$300 administration fee and any airline, ground operator, or event deposits withheld may apply; 45 days - 30% of the tour cost plus the administration fee and any airline, ground operator, or event deposits as stated above; 31 days 75% of the total cost plus any airline, ground operator, or event deposits as stated above; 7 days 80% of the total cost plus any airline, ground operator, or event deposits as stated above; 7 days departure 100% of the total cost. All cancellations must be submitted in writing to Ave Maria Pilgrimage Tours, Inc.

**AIRLINE TAX:** Airline taxes and surcharges are included in the price. We reserve the right to pass on any increases in these fees.

**INSURANCE:** We strongly recommend that you purchase the insurance offered. The insurance company is in no way affiliated with AMPT.

**RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY:** AMPT operates the tours offered under this program only as an agent of the airlines, railroads, car rental contracts, steamship lines, hotels, bus operators, sightseeing contracts and others which provide the actual arrangements, and is not liable for any act, omission, delay, injury, loss or damage or non-performance occurring in connection with these land arrangements. The passage contract in use by these companies when issued shall constitute the sole contract between the companies and the purchaser of the tour. AMPT or any organization contracting with us shall not be held liable for any injuries, damages or losses caused to any participant due to social unrest, labor action, mechanical failure or any action taken by other parties.

AMPT and any organization contracting with us shall not be held responsible for any disruption caused by an act of nature, or as a result of civil or labor unrest, strike, disease, local laws or ordinances, weather conditions, acts of war or terrorism, or any actions or omissions or conditions beyond the company's control. Participation by individuals mentioned in the flyer is based on availability at the time of this printing. We reserve the right to substitute.

**TRAVELLERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS:** Passengers with special needs and any dietary restrictions must advise us in writing of this at the time of application. We will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs. If assistance is required, it is the sole responsibility of the traveler to secure such assistance. AMPT shall not be responsible for denials of entry or services based on these needs.

All participants are required to comply with all health department, airline and foreign government requirements regarding entry and departure from countries visited. AMPT is not responsible for denials of entry into or exit from countries visited on the pilgrimage. Any required testing for Covid or other diseases is the responsibility of the traveler.

**TOUR PRICE:** The tour price is based on tariffs and rates in effect at the time of execution. AMPT reserves the right to pass on increases imposed by airlines (taxes/fees/fuel surcharges), government agencies, cities, hotels and other suppliers, as well as additional costs caused by fluctuations in currency exchange rates.

**PHOTOGRAPHS:** Participants understand that photographs and video taken during the pilgrimage may be used for advertising and/or archival purposes and grant permission for their image to be used thus.

**\$500 deposit deadline is due April 20th.** Please read the terms and conditions above and return this form with deposit to: Ave Maria Pilgrimage Tours, PO Box 237, Asbury, NJ 08802. For more information on this and other tours, please contact us: pilgrimages@avemariatours.org, 877-513-1917 x224 / 908-246-6626 or avemariatours.org.

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Enclosed is my deposit (\$500.00 per person) for the 2023 Holy Land Pilgrimage.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(As it appears on your passport.)

STREET: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport#: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Expiration: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

I will be rooming with: \_\_\_\_\_

Find me a roommate.  I will be rooming alone (\$850.00 single supplement)

Contact in case of emergency (name, address, telephone): \_\_\_\_\_

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I have read and understand the Terms and Conditions.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_