

— WALK IN — THE FOOT STEPS OF JESUS

(with Mark Fernandes)

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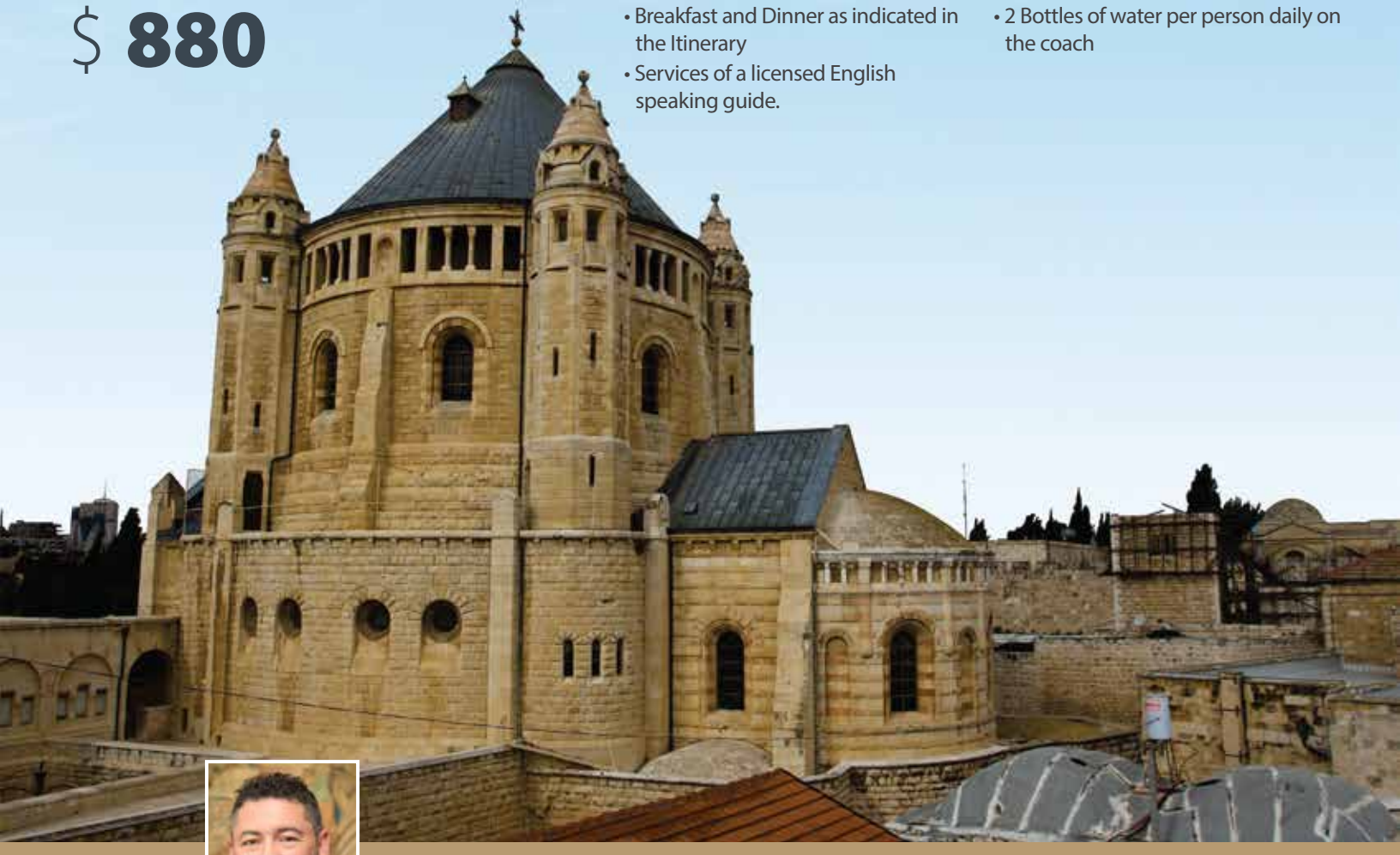
\$ **3195**

Single Supplement:

\$ **880**

TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- Roundtrip International air from Toronto inclusive of taxes
- Meet and Greet on arrival in Tel Aviv
- Group Airport Transfers
- 7 nights' accommodation in the hotels mentioned above (or similar)
- Breakfast and Dinner as indicated in the Itinerary
- Services of a licensed English speaking guide.
- All visits and entrances fees as indicated in the detailed itinerary
- Transportation in a deluxe air conditioned vehicle
- Porterage service at hotels and airport (1 piece of luggage per person)
- 2 Bottles of water per person daily on the coach



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TOUR ITINERARY:

Day 1 – 08NOV Depart Toronto, Canada

Sit back and relax as you depart for Israel and begin this exciting adventure of a lifetime.

Meals and overnight on board your international flight.

Day 2 – FRI. 09NOV Arrive Tel Aviv, Israel

Upon arrival at Ben Gurion Airport in Israel, you will be met by our local representatives and transferred by deluxe motor coach to your hotel for check-in, dinner, and an overnight.

Overnight in Tel Aviv (D)

Day 3 – SAT. 10NOV Tel Aviv - Caesarea - Mt Carmel - Mt Tabor - Tiberius

After a filling breakfast we visit Jaffa where St. Peter had his vision on the rooftop of the House of Simon the tanner (Acts 10:32), raised Tabitha from the dead (Acts 9:36); Jonah set sail to Tarshish (Jonah 1:3) and King Solomon built his port (2 Chron. 2:16) on the Mediterranean.

We continue to travel up the coast to **Caesarea**. We will visit the Roman and Crusader ruins, where Paul was held prisoner by the Romans. We continue our journey into the **Carmel Mountains**, heading for the Galilee. We stop in Haifa where we will visit **Stella Maris**, a Carmelite Monastery that houses the Madonna of Mt. Carmel. After time for prayer, we continue on to **Mukhraka** where the prophet Elijah confronted the false prophets of Baal and where the Carmelite Order began.

In the afternoon, we'll drive to **Mt. Tabor**, scene of the Transfiguration, where we will have Mass in the beautiful small church atop the mountain.

Overnight in Tiberia / Nazareth (B/D)

Day 4 – SUN. 11NOV Magdala - Capernaum - Mount of Beatitudes - Tabgha - Nazareth - Cana - Tiberia

Today we will focus on the Ministry of Christ during his time in Galilee. After breakfast visit **Magdala center**, the recently revealed archaeological site and the hometown of Mary Magdalene.

We also visit the holy site **Capernaum** (Matthew 4:12-25) to see the synagogue and St. Peter's house, where Jesus would have stayed while ministering in the area. Visit the breathtaking **Mount of Beatitudes** (Luke 6:12-49) where the Sermon on the Mount was given. Then , near

TOUR LODGING INFO: 07 Nights

CITIES	# OF NIGHTS	HOTEL OPTION 2
Tel Aviv- Jaffa	01 Night	Hotel Grand Beach
Tiberius / Nazareth	02 Nights	Hotel Royal Plaza
Jerusalem	04 Nights	Hotel Crown Plaza

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the shores of the Sea of Galilee ,Commemorating the miracle of the loaves and fishes we visit **Tabaha**, and to the nearby Church of **Peter's Primacy** where Peter was told "Feed my lambs, feed my sheep" (John 21:9).

Our next stop is in **Nazareth** (Luke 1:26-38), where we will visit the **Basilica of the Annunciation**. We head on to Cana (John 2:1-11; 4:46; 21:2), the village where Jesus performed his first miracle changing water into wine. Our pilgrim couples will have a special opportunity to renew their wedding vows during Mass.

Overnight in Tiberia / Nazareth (B/D)

Day 5 – MON. 12NOV Tiberius - Boat Ride - Jericho - Qumran - Bethany - Jerusalem

After breakfast, we will enjoy a peaceful **boat ride** across the Sea of Galilee where Christ walked on water.

We drive down the Jordan Valley and head towards Jerusalem. We reach Jericho, the ancient Canaanite city destroyed by the power of God (Josh. 5-6).

It is the oldest known inhabited city in the world. It was in Jericho that Jesus encountered Zacchaeus (Lk. 19). We'll enjoy a splendid view of Mt. Temptation (Luke 4:1-13), where Jesus fasted and was tempted by Satan.

Our next stop is at **Qumran**, the site where the Dead Sea scrolls were unearthed.

We will have time for a swim (or rather a float) in the mineral-rich waters.

We proceed to visit **Bethany** (John 11:41-44) where Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead.

We continue on to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight.

Overnight in Jerusalem (B/D)

Day 6 – TUE. 13NOV Bethlehem - Ein Karem - Yad Vashem

Our visit to Jerusalem will begin in the **Shepherd's Fields** (Luke 2:8-20) where the angels announced the birth of Jesus and celebrate Mass. We visit the **Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem**, which stands upon the site where Jesus was born.

We then head to the village of **Ein Karem**, the birthplace of St. John the Baptist and to the Church of Visitation where the Blessed Virgin Mary visited her cousin, Elizabeth, and proclaimed the 'Magnificat.'

We continue to **Yad Vashem** the National Holocaust Memorial and return to our Hotel.

Overnight in Jerusalem (B/D)

Day 7 – WED. 14NOV Mt. Olive - Dominus Flevit - Gethsemane - St. Peter in Gallicantu - Pool of Bethesda - Israel museum

Our day begins at the top of the **Mount of Olives**. We start by walking down the Palm Sunday, as we descend the Mount, we will stop at **Dominus Flevit**, the site commemorating the tears Jesus shed over Jerusalem before entering the city; there we will be reminded of what the Messiah saw as He looked out over Jerusalem.

We will visit the Garden of the last **Gethsemane** (Matthew 26:36-45), where Jesus prayed the night before His crucifixion; and the **Church of All Nations**.

We continue to Mt. Zion to visit the Upper Room (John 13:1-30), the location of the Last Supper and the Dormition Abbey where we believe the blessed Mary died. Next is **St. Peter in Gallicantu** (John 18:12) where Peter denied Christ three times.

We will enter the Old city wall through the Lions Gate and make our way to visit **St. Anne's Church**, the home of the Virgin Mary and her parents Saints Joachim and Anne, by the **Pool of Bethesda**.

We will end our day with a visit to the newly renovated **Israel museum** and **Shrine of the Book**, where the Dead Sea Scrolls collection is exhibited and a model of Jerusalem from the time of Jesus is on display.

Overnight in Jerusalem (B/D)

Day 8 – THU. , 15NOV Via Dolorosa - Holy Sepulcher - Western Wall - Jerusalem.

This morning we wake very early for one of the highlights of our trip. As the sun rises we retrace the last steps of Jesus on Good Friday.

As we **walk along the Via Dolorosa and the stations of the cross** (Way of Sorrow), through the Old City we will pray along the Stations of the Cross as we walk the same path Jesus took. We will see the Ecce Homo where Pilate proclaimed "Behold the man..." We reflect on the greatness of His sacrifice as we arrive at the Church of the **Holy Sepulcher** for Mass.

Return to the hotel for breakfast and short rest.

We end the day at the **Western Wall** (the most holy place for Jews). Enjoy some free time on your own.

We return to our hotel for dinner and a restful overnight.
Overnight in Jerusalem (B/D)

Day 9 – FRI. , 16NOV Depart Jerusalem - Ben Gurion Airport

We will transfer to Ben Gurion International Airport for our return flight home. (B)

END OF TOUR

