

In the Steps of Jesus, Paul & the ANZACs

Israel, Jordan, Greece & Turkey



29 days, 27th March - 25th April 2010
with Rev Geoff Bates

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Come and refresh your faith on a personalised tour of the Bible lands



What's it like to walk in the steps of Jesus and see the things he saw? The beach where he cooked fish for the disciples, the synagogue in Capernaum, To go out in the middle of the Sea of Galilee and read the Scriptures and sing songs together, to go to the garden tomb on Easter Day and celebrate the resurrection. To authentically celebrate the Last Supper meal the night before Good Friday.

To walk the streets of Jerusalem, Nazareth and Bethlehem. To stand on the various Mountains: Mount of Olives where Jesus was, Mount Carmel where Elijah was, Mount Nebo as Moses looked into the Promised

Land. To go into the Jordan River, the Sea of Galilee or the Dead Sea. To go to the place where they found the Dead Sea Scrolls.

Then to walk where the Apostle Paul walked in Athens, Greece and Ephesus, see the places of the seven churches of the Book of Revelation, go on a cruise around the Greek islands. And then conclude the tour with the Dawn Service at Gallipoli on ANZAC Day.

I just can't wait to go again! To breath the air, see the sights; it just comes alive! It brings colour and dimension to your understanding of the Bible. It also brings clarity and conviction to our faith in Christ.

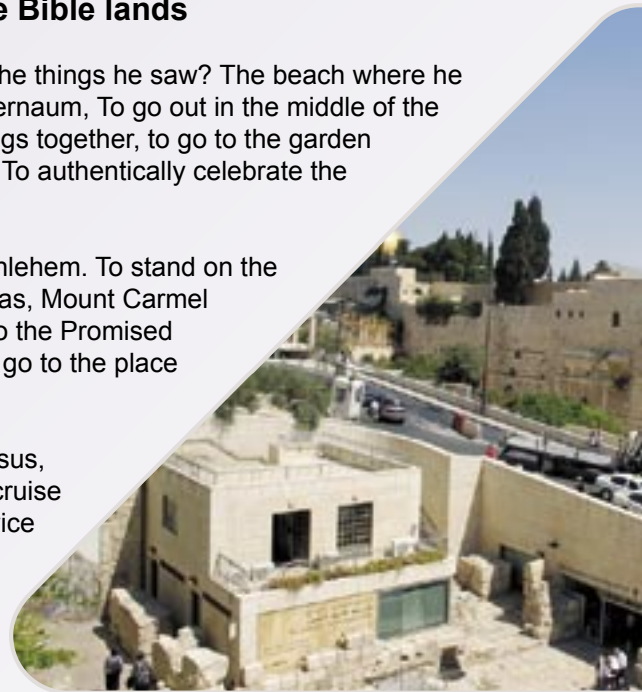
I have designed this tour to start in Jerusalem at Easter and end at Gallipoli on ANZAC Day and most of our time will be spent during School Holidays. If there was ever a tour of a lifetime that were to go to the heart of our faith and identity as Australian Christians, then this is the one. Come with me and refresh your faith. You will be reliving the experience for the rest of your life!

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Further information

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In the Footsteps of Jesus, Paul & the ANZACs

TOUR PRICE PER ADULT
From Melbourne/Sydney/Brisbane:

Share Twin accommodation AUD \$9990
Single Share Supplement AUD \$3100
Land Only AUD \$8700

All inclusive escorted tour from Melbourne.

PRICE INCLUDES:

All airfares as per itinerary. International Airlines Emirates or similar.
All internal flights.
All accommodation in 4 star properties with wireless internet access
Breakfast and Dinners daily plus a traditional Galilean fish lunch and Passover based Sedar meal in Israel
Modern European 5 star Coach with toilet amenities.
All Transfers and arrival assistance and border and airports.
All entrance fees for site seeing inclusions as per itinerary.
Visa for Jordan and Turkey
All guiding as per itinerary day. (This is per person cost)
Porterage at hotels.

DOES NOT INCLUDE:

Airfare taxes
Tip for Guides and driver based on \$5 per day for Guide and \$1 for driver per Lunches where not indicated
Drinks and personal purchases
Travel Insurance.

WHAT TO DO NEXT:

A deposit of \$500 per person is required by in order to secure a place on the tour.

Please contact our office if you would like a Tour Registration form.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Travel insurance is highly recommended when travelling overseas. Please contact our office if you require a brochure and application form.

STAYING ON IN EUROPE

If you would like to undertake further travel at the end of the tour. Pilgrimage Travel & Tours will be able to assist you with additional travel, please advise your needs when registering for the tour.

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ITINERARY

Day 1, Sat March 27 2010

Depart Australia - Your spiritual pilgrimage begins as you depart Sydney.

Day 2, Sun March 28 - Arrival in Jordan - Amman - Petra

You will be welcomed to the Amman by our airport representative and transferred to Petra where we will have overnight stay. Enjoy dinner before you rest.
Taybet Zaman Village or similar. (B, D)

Day 3, Mon March 29 - Petra

Today we will enjoy a full day tour of Petra. Dinner and overnight at Petra hotel. (B, D)

Day 4, Tues March 30 (Passover) - Petra - Mt. Nebo - Jerusalem

Depart Petra and drive north to visit Mt Nebo. Cross Allenby Bridge into Israel and transfer to our hotel in Jerusalem for dinner and overnight. Grand Court Hotel or similar. (B, D)

Day 5, Wed March 31 - Jerusalem-

Visit the Haas Promenade and enjoy a panoramic view from the south of Jerusalem, the Old City walls and the hill called Mount Mariah where Abraham was commanded by God to offer Isaac as a burnt offering (Gen. 22: 2, 4).
View the Kidron Valley and the Valley of Gehenna. Stand atop the Mount of Olives as Jesus did and enjoy a remarkable view of the "Golden City" of Jerusalem, including the Temple Mount and Dome of the Rock.
Visit the Chapel of the Ascension.
Pray in the Garden of Gethsemane as Jesus prayed (Matt. 26: 36 - 44).
Model City
Grand Court Hotel Jerusalem or similar (B, D)

Day 6, Thurs April 1 - Jerusalem - New City

Today we will visit the modern sites in Jerusalem including the following:
Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum
Keneset
Time for a service at the Garden Tomb
Enjoy a Seder Meal to celebrate Passover.
Grand Court Hotel Jerusalem or similar (B, D)

Day 7, Fri April 2 - (Good Friday) Jerusalem - Old City

Visit the Southern Wall Excavations of the ancient Temple including the Teaching Steps and the Western Wall. Western Wall Tunnel Tour.
Walk the Cardo, the ancient main street of the Old City once lined with shops, now partially restored.
View the Pool of Bethesda (John 5: 1-31) where Jesus performed the Sabbath miracle, and sing a hymn in the Church of St. Anne.
Visit Herod's Antonia Fortress where Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate (Luke 23: 1-11).
Walk the Via Dolorosa, "the Way of the Cross," and stand in reverence at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.
Visit the church of St. Peter in Gallicantu, the site of Caiaphas' Palace - where Peter denied Jesus.
Grand Court Hotel Jerusalem or similar (B, D)

Day 8, Sat April 3 - Jerusalem - Bethlehem - Jerusalem

Visit Bethlehem, via the Shepherd's field. Visit the cave revered as the place where

Jesus was born (Matt. 1: 18 - 25; Luke 2: 1-7). The church, which was constructed on the site, is the world's oldest functioning church. Nearby you'll view Shepherds' Field where the Good News was first heard.

Possibility of visit to Abraham's Tent. Back to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight Grand Court Hotel Jerusalem or similar (B, D)

Day 9, Sun April 4 (Easter Sunday) - Early morning - Service at Garden Tomb - Qumran - En Gedi - Massada - Dead Sea - Jerusalem

Travel to Qumran, site of the Dead Sea Scroll discovery, to discuss the mysterious community of Essenes who once lived on the shores of the Dead Sea.
Visit En Gedi.
Explore Masada Herod's mountaintop fortress which became the last stronghold of the Jewish Rebellion against the Romans.
Ride the cable car to the top to explore. Peer down upon the remains of the Roman camps and siege ramp below.
Swim the Dead Sea.
Return to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight (B, D)

Day 10, Mon April 5 (Last day of Passover) - Free day

Today you have a free day to explore the old city of Jerusalem.
Grand Court Hotel Jerusalem or similar (B, D)

Day 11, Tues April 6 - Jerusalem - Mt Tabor - Nazareth - Tiberius

Visit Mt Tabor
Visit the ruins of Beit Shean which was continuously inhabited for 5000 years and was one of the Roman cities Jesus passed on his way from Galilee to Jerusalem.
Travel on to Nazareth - The Early Life of Jesus.
Visit Church of the Annunciation
View of Cana.
Traditional St Peters Lunch
Nof Ginosar Kibbutz or similar - Tiberius (B, D)

Day 12, Wed April 7 - Tiberius - Sea of Galilee - Tel Aviv

Today we explore the historical area of Galilee. Remember how Jesus walked on the water? At Nof Ginosar a kibbutz located on the shores where we will see the remains of a boat from the time of Jesus.
Our boat will take us across the Sea of Galilee, stopping in the middle where there is a time of reflection and singing.
Arriving to CAPERNAUM, the city of Jesus, we visit the ruins of the synagogue where Jesus performed many miracles.
You will see the excavations of ST PETER'S house and visit TABGHA, where Jesus multiplied five loaves and two fishes to feed the multitudes.
Later we ascend to the top of the MOUNT OF BEATITUDES.
Yadenit Baptisimal Site visit for baptism.
Continue to Tel Aviv for flight to Athens. (B, L, D)

Day 13, Thurs April 8 - Tel Aviv flight to Athens

Early Morning flight from Tel Aviv to Athens
Transfer to your hotel. In the morning arrival in Athens. Athens City Tour and Corinth Tour.
Enjoy this evening's welcome dinner with your traveling companions.
Athens Hotel (TBC) (B on plane & D)

Day 14, Fri April 9

After breakfast transfer to Port of Piraeus and embarkation on 3 Day Cruise Mykonos

Day 15, Sat April 10

On Cruise - Rhodes

Day 16, Sun April 11

On Cruise - Patmos and Kusadasi - visit Ephesus

Day 17, Mon April 12

In the morning return to Port of Piraeus - disembark and drive to Kalambaka
Visit Meteora monasteries. Dinner and o/n Kalambaka

Day 18, Tues April 13

Drive via Veria to Thessaloniki. City Tour. Dinner and o/n Thessaloniki

Day 19, Wed April 14

Thessaloniki - Philippi - Kavala. Dinner and o/n Alexandroupolis

Day 20, Thurs April 15

Drive to Gr/Tk Border - after border crossing drive to Istanbul. Dinner and o/n Istanbul

Day 21, Fri April 16

Full day Touring in Istanbul. Dinner and o/n Istanbul

Day 22, Sat April 17

In the morning flight to Cappadocia. Full day Touring in this area. Dinner and o/n Cappadocia

Day 23, Sun April 18

Cappadocia Touring. Dinner and o/n Cappadocia

Day 24, Mon, April 19

Drive from Cappadocia via Konya to Pamukkale. Dinner and o/n Pamukkale

Day 25, Tues April 20

Visit Loadicea and Philadelphia and drive to Izmir (Smyrna)
Dinner and o/n Izmir

Day 26, Wed April 21

Full day Touring to Sardis and Thyatira. Dinner and o/n Izmir

Day 27, Thurs April 22

Full day Touring in Izmir. Dinner and o/n Izmir

Day 28, Fri April 23

Drive from Izmir via Pergamum to Canakkale. Dinner and o/n Cannakale

Day 29, Sat April 24

Full Day in Gallipoli. Dinner and o/n in Gallipoli.

Day 30, Sun April 25

ANZAC DAY 2010 - morning drive to Istanbul for an flight back to Sydney or onward flight within Europe

Day 31, Mon April 26

Arrive Home.

