

**AGAPE INTERNATIONAL CHURCH AND MINISTRIES IN PARTNERSHIP
WITH OASIS OF FAITH MINISTRIES PRESENT
HOLY LAND EXPERIENCE WITH MARRIAGE COVENANT RENEWAL
AT CANA OF GALILLE
A LIFE TIME EXPERIENCE
PROPOSED ITINERARY**

DAY 1:- PREPARATION & DEPARTURE.

Departure to the Airport for our flight to the Holy Land.

DAY 2:- ARRIVAL- JOPPA- MOUNT CARMEL.

Upon arriving at Ben Gurion Airport , we shall be met and assisted through the immigration. Visit the Old town of Jaffa, the oldest port in the world. Here Saint Peter had his dream (Acts 10:9-16) to evangelise the Gentiles and where he brought Tabitha (Acts 9:36-43) back from the dead. After Lunch, proceed to Mount Carmel, the place Elijah defeated the Prophets of Baal. **Proceed to Nazareth.**

Overnight: Nazareth

DAY 3:- BOAT RIDE - CAPERNAUM - TABGHA – MOUNT OF BEATITUDES

Drive to the Golan Heights to visit the Banias and Caesarea Philippi (Matthew 16:13-20), a source of the Jordan River. Visit Megiddo, the place for the last battle. Cruise on the Sea of Galilee (John 6:16-21; Matthew 8:23-27). Proceed to visit Capernaum Mark 1:21-35), a lakeside village frequently referred to in the New Testament as home to St. Peter and a site built atop of a synagogue said to be where Jesus Christ preached. View to the East, the ruins of Bethsaida (John 1:44; Matthew 1:20-24). We continue along the shore to Tabgha (John 6:1-15), scene of the Feeding of The Five Thousand. There are two Churches; The Church of the Multiplication on the site of the miracle, and The Franciscan Church, the church for the people poor in spirit, the meek, the pure in heart and the peace makers. Nearby is the village of Magdala, birthplace of Mary Magdalene. We continue to Mount of Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-16), where tradition places the spot where Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount.

Overnight: Nazareth

DAY 4:- NAZARETH - CANA - MOUNT TABOR – YARDENIT - JERUSALEM

Proceed to Nazareth, (Luke 1:26-38) childhood home of Jesus. Visit the Mary's Well and The Basilica of the Annunciation with its underground grotto where the Angel Gabriel appeared to Mary and announced the forthcoming birth of Jesus, onto the Arab Christian town of Cana (John 2:1-11), scene of Jesus' First Miracle of turning water into wine at the wedding feast. Continue to Mount Tabor (Matthew 17:1-8) where tradition places the miracle of the transfiguration of Christ, visit the Church of the Transfiguration. Proceed to the Yardenit, the baptismal site on the Jordan River (Matthew 3:13-19) where thousands of Christians are baptized, and/or renew their baptismal vows.

Overnight: Nazareth

DAY 5: – JERICHO- DEAD SEA- BETHLEHEM

After Breakfast, visit Jericho the world's oldest town. Take a cable car to the top of the Mount of Temptation, visit Elisha's spring (2 Kings 2:18-22) and continue to the location of the sycamore tree that Zacchaeus climbed to see and hear Jesus.(Luke 19:1-10) After lunch, have a swim in the therapeutic waters of the Dead Sea. The Sea has a high concentration of various healing chemical salts so that one cannot sink in it. Continue to Bethlehem.

Overnight: Bethlehem

DAY 6:- MOUNT OF OLIVES - BETHLEHEM

Early in the morning, visit the Mount of Olives for a spectacular panoramic view of Jerusalem and the Old City. On the slopes of the Mount of Olives are various small churches commemorating key events in Jesus' later life including the Pater Noster (Luke 11; 1-4), where the disciples were taught the Lord's Prayer, the lovely Chapel of Dominus Flevit (Luke 19:37-44) recalling the spot where Jesus wept over Jerusalem's pending destruction. Here too is the luminous Russian Church with its enchanting onion chapel domes. At the foot of the Mount of Olives is the Garden of Gethsemane with its eight olive trees; it was here that Jesus was arrested (Mark 14:32-52; Matthew 26:36-46). Beside the Garden is the impressive Church of All Nations. Drive along the Kidron Valley past the Tombs of Absalom, Zecharia and St. James. Move to Bethlehem to visit the Shepherd's Field and the Church of the Nativity built over the traditional site of the manger where Jesus Christ was born.

Overnight: Bethlehem

DAY 7:- YAD VASHEM- EIN KAREM - MOUNT ZION

Visit Holocaust Museum, Yad Vashem and proceed to Ein Karem (Luke 1:57-80) to visit the Church of St. John the Baptist, erected over the grotto where John the Baptist was born. After lunch, proceed to Mount Zion and visit the site of King David's Tomb and the Upper Room where the Last Supper took place. (Matthew 26:17-35; Mark 14:12-26; Luke 22:7-38) and the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu (Caiaphas'House), where Jesus was imprisoned and interrogated by the High Priest (Matthew 26:57-75; Mark 14:53-72).

Overnight: Bethlehem

DAY 8:- OLD CITY OF JERUSALEM- WAILING WALL- GARDEN TOMB

Enjoy a morning walking tour of the Old City of Jerusalem. Enter the 'Walled City' through St. Stephen's Gate and see the Crusader Church of St. Anne, mother of Mary, and the excavated twin Pools of Bethesda where Jesus healed the Crippled (John 5:1-9). Walk along the Via Dolorosa(Mark 15:21-47) to Calvary, the traditional route with its Fourteen Stations along which Jesus carried His cross. Visit the Wailing Wall. Continue following the Stations to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre built over the site of Golgotha Calvary (Matthew 27:33-62; Mark 15:22-47; Luke 23:33-56). Create time for personal activities at Jaffa Market. Close the day at the Garden Tomb and Gordon's Golgotha with a holy Communion (John 19:38-42).

Overnight- Jerusalem.

DAY 9:- TIME ELEVATOR - VALLEY OF ELLA – BEIT SHEMESH

Begin the day at the Time Elevator with the Christian Spirit film. Continue to Valley of Elah where David defeated Goliath, the philistine giant in a single combat. We drive to Beit Shemesh where the Ark of the Covenant came to Rest when the Philistines sent it away because of the much havoc which it caused among them. Proceed To the Valley of Ayalon known in history as one of the major battlefields of the Near East. It was here that Joshua commanded the sun and the moon to stand still during the battle against the Kings of the Amorites (Joshua 10:12). After lunch, proceed to our hotel for rest against departure for Nigeria the following day.

Overnight: Jerusalem

DAY 10: - DEPARTURE.

Transfer to Ben Gurion airport for your departure flight to the United States.

FOLLOWING SUNDAY: CERTIFICATE CEREMONY/THANKSGIVING SERVICE.This will hold in our Church the following Sunday to give thanks to the Lord for the blessings and the success of the trip. Certificates will also be presented to all who made the trip.