



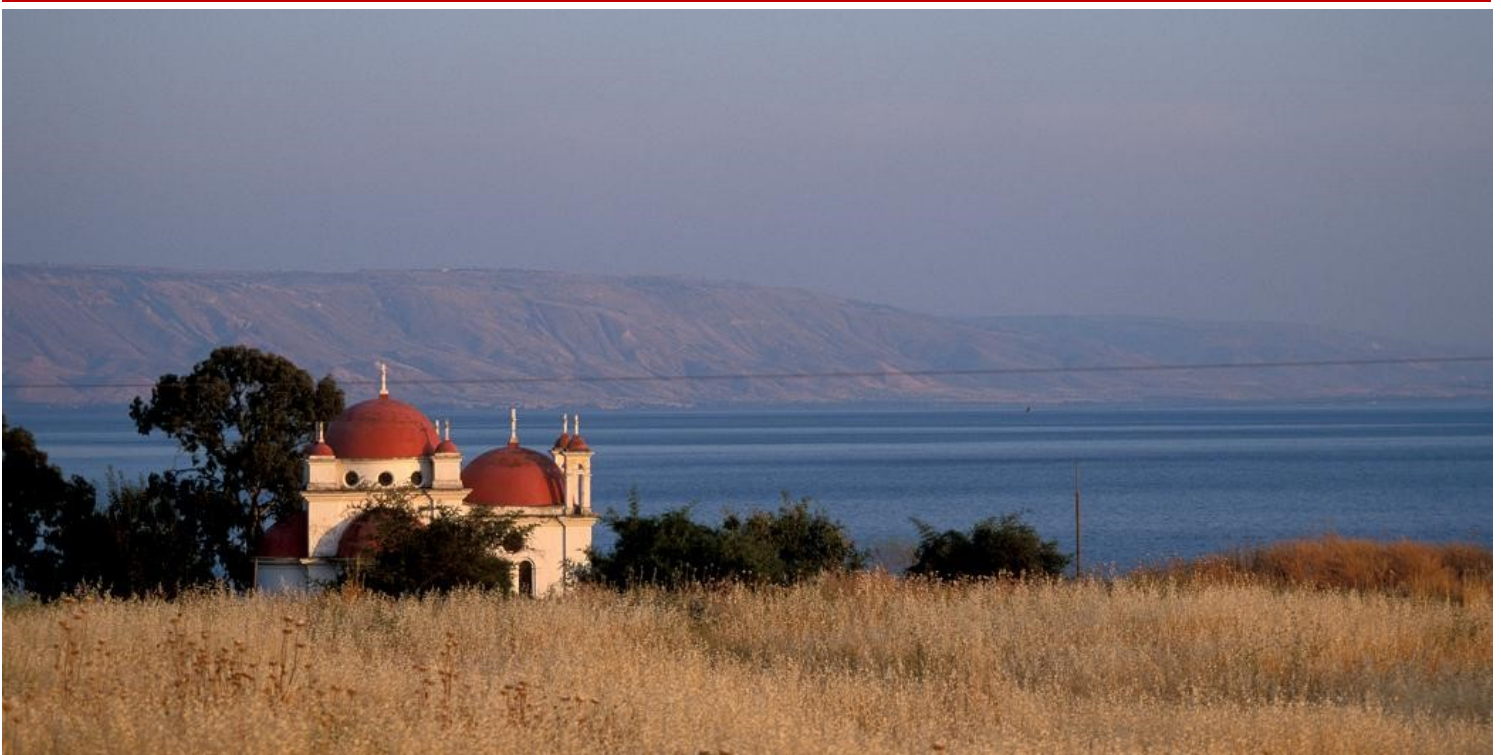
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PILGRIMAGES



A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

With the Revd Mo Surrey
8-18 May 2023

11 days based in Jerusalem & Galilee departing from Manchester





this for yourselves whether you are new to the Holy Land or have been many times before; there are always new sights and sounds to reflect upon. Reading the gospels will never be the same again and by visiting the Holy Land we are standing in solidarity with our brothers and sisters there too. To have the chance to meet the 'living stones', the local Palestinian and Israeli Christians who are the ongoing, living church in the region, is humbling.

Our pilgrimage will include the sites where the most important events in Our Lord's life and ministry took place: in Jerusalem and the surrounding area and further north in Galilee. We hope that if you have never been on pilgrimage to the Holy Land before you will choose to join us and, if you have been before, we welcome you back. Our journey is a life changing as well as faith changing experience.

We invite you to journey with us and to share in this great opportunity to see those places we read of in the Scriptures.

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It is always very moving to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, there is so much to see and experience and learn together. St Jerome said: 'Five gospels record the life of Jesus. Four you will find in books and the one you will find in the land they call Holy. Read the fifth gospel and the world of the four will open to you.' We invite you to come and know

TOUR INFORMATION

The price is **£2,735** per person sharing a double or twin room with ensuite bathroom. **For bookings received by 30th November 2022, we offer a reduced rate of £2,595 saving £140 per person.** We stay in two family owned and managed hotels. In Jerusalem, the three star Golden Walls Hotel overlooks the Old City walls and is within walking distance of the Holy Sepulchre. In Tiberias, we stay at the four star Ron Beach Hotel right on the lakeside.

The tour is on a full-board basis with buffet breakfast, lunch and evening meal included daily. Touring is by air-conditioned coach and we will be accompanied by a local guide who will share leadership responsibilities and look after the formalities of hotel check-ins, etc. All entrance fees are included as well as gratuities; these will be disbursed locally to those that help us on our journey.

Flights are with easyJet between Manchester Airport and Tel Aviv and all airport and security charges are included. A complimentary visa is issued on arrival in Israel (please see the back page).

Not included

Travel Insurance - this is essential. We require all travellers to have adequate cancellation and medical coverage for their trip. We will have a recommended policy for 2023/24 available soon for purchase, or you may choose to seek insurance elsewhere. Once we have received your booking, and once our policy is available, we will contact you to offer this insurance option. Until our policy is offered to you, should you need to cancel for medical/other reasons generally covered by insurance, we will refund your deposit in full.

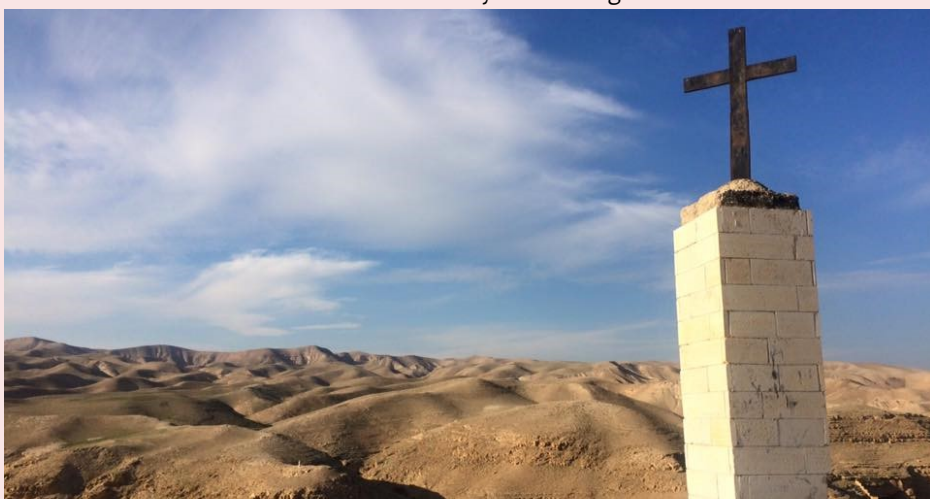
The optional excursion to Masada and the Dead Sea is £105.

Single rooms are at a supplementary cost of £695.

Any special requests should be noted on the booking form. A deposit is payable now with the balance payable eight weeks prior to departure.

Your final travel documents will be posted to you approximately two weeks before departure.

Please note that for bookings made within 12 weeks of departure, the price may increase due to the fluctuating cost of flights. If this arises, we will always discuss this with you before processing your booking.



TO MAKE A RESERVATION

To reserve your place please complete the enclosed booking form and send it with a deposit of £200 per person to the tour leader/organiser. Please make cheques payable to 'McCabe Travel Ltd'. If you prefer to pay by card, please make a note on the booking form and McCabe will contact you to take payment over the phone.

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DAILY PROGRAMME



Monday 8th May | **TO JERUSALEM**

We meet at Manchester Airport. EasyJet flight EZY1827 to Tel Aviv departs at 12:30 and arrives at 19:40. Transfer to Jerusalem.

Five night stay at the Golden Walls Hotel close to the Old City and the biblical sites we shall be visiting.

Tuesday | **MT OF OLIVES & EIN KAREM**

We drive to the Mount of Olives where we have a panoramic view of the walled city. We visit Pater Noster Church, Dominus Flevit Chapel, and the Church of All Nations in the Garden of Gethsemane. On to the Church of St Peter in Gallicantu. Lunch at St Andrew's Guest House. We visit the Israel Museum to see the model of Ancient Jerusalem and the Dead Sea Scrolls and the village of Ein Karem for the Church of John the Baptist. We celebrate Communion back in Jerusalem on the hotel roof terrace.

Wednesday | **BETHLEHEM**

We cross into Palestinian territory to visit Herodion, Herod's hilltop palace-fortress and burial place, before continuing to the Fields of the Shepherds. Lunch at the Bethlehem Rehabilitation Centre (BASR) with a talk about their work. In the afternoon we enter Manger Square and visit the Basilica and Grotto of the Nativity and St Jerome's Caves. Time for some shopping at the Bethlehem olive wood co-operative before heading back to Jerusalem.

Thursday | **VIA DOLOROSA**

We walk through Zion Gate through the Jewish Quarter to the Western Wall (Bar-Mitzvah ceremonies) and see the Temple Mount (el Aqsa Mosque and the Dome of the Rock). Continue to the Pool of Bethesda and St Anne's Crusader Church. Lunch at Ecce Homo convent and see the Lithostrotos below. We walk along the Via Dolorosa through the Old City to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and end the day at the Garden Tomb.

Friday | **MASADA & THE DEAD SEA**

A free day in Jerusalem or join a full-day OPTIONAL excursion to Masada and the Dead Sea. We drive into the Judean wilderness to Herod's desert fortress of Masada and go up by cable car. We have an opportunity to float in the therapeutic waters of the Dead Sea before lunch in the Lot Hotel. On our way back to Jerusalem we call at Qumran, site of the Dead Sea Scrolls' discovery, and Wadi Qelt for wonderful views of St George's Monastery. **Cost £105 including lunch. We will book you on the excursion unless you indicate otherwise on the booking form.**

Saturday | **JORDAN VALLEY TO TIBERIAS**

We drive to Bethany and the church and tomb of Lazarus. We also include a visit to Jeel al-Amal Boys' Home, supported by the McCabe Educational Trust. Lunch at the Green Valley restaurant. Continue through the Jordan Valley to Tiberias, stopping en route to visit the Jordan River baptismal site on the River Jordan and to view the Temptation Monastery. Five night stay at the Ron Beach Hotel by the Sea of Galilee. **Five night stay at the Ron Beach Hotel by the Sea of Galilee with visits to places associated with Jesus' early life and ministry.**

Sunday | **NORTHERN GALILEE**

We celebrate Communion in the hotel garden beside the lake and drive north to the biblical sites of Dan and Banias (Caesarea Philippi). Time for a walk through the reserve and for meditation and reflection. A leisurely lunch at the Lebanese Restaurant. We return to Tiberias via the Golan Heights (view the Damascus Road) with time to relax.

Monday | **SEPPHORIS & NAZARETH**

We visit the remains of ancient Sepphoris with its remarkable mosaics; an important

city in Jesus' time. We then head to Nazareth Village, a reconstruction of 1st Century Galilean life. A biblical-style lunch here and then visit the Synagogue Church and the Basilica of the Annunciation. Return to Tiberias stopping en route to visit Cana, scene of Jesus' first miracle.

Tuesday | **THE LAKESIDE MINISTRY**

Today we visit the sites associated with Jesus' life around the Sea of Galilee: we drive to the Convent of Beatitudes and visit the church and garden commemorating the Sermon on the Mount. Continue to Mensa Christi, where Jesus appeared to his disciples after His resurrection, and celebrate Communion on the shores of the lake at Tabgha. Continue to the ruins of Capernaum, Jesus' Galilean base. Lunch nearby at St Peter's lakeside restaurant. Sail across the Sea of Galilee from Nof Ginnosar, returning by mid-afternoon with time to relax/swim.

Wednesday | **THE LAKESIDE MINISTRY**

A free day beside the Sea of Galilee. Lunch is not included today.

Thursday 18th May | **CAESAREA MARATIMA**

We leave Tiberias and drive to Mount Carmel to visit Stella Maris and the place of Elijah's sacrifice. Continue to the Mediterranean coast and the Roman capital of Caesarea, where we visit the restored amphitheatre and the aqueduct. Lunch at the Port Café by the sea with time in Jaffa. Continue to Ben Gurion Airport for our return EasyJet flight EZY1828 departing at 20:35 and arriving back at Manchester Airport at 00:20.

Please note the itinerary may be subject to change due to local conditions and flights can also be subject to alteration but are correct at the time of printing.

There will be quite a bit of walking on this pilgrimage. Please talk to the tour leader or call the McCabe office for advice if you are at all concerned.



OUR PILGRIMAGE

THE MCCABE EDUCATIONAL TRUST

For many, meeting the 'Living Stones' of The Land becomes a real highlight of their pilgrimage. The McCabe Educational Trust is an independent registered charity with the aim of helping inspiring people we meet on pilgrimage. On your pilgrimage you will meet some of these people. As 'the haves' encounter the 'have nots' the Trust has become a practical tool for one to help the other.

McCabe Pilgrimages invite all travellers to become partners in this work. A £15 voluntary donation to the Trust's work is added to every pilgrim's invoice and all money raised in this way is given in full to the projects the Trust supports. This scheme is voluntary and confidential with nobody put under any pressure to participate.



TRAVELLING ALONE

Many of our passengers travel alone and object to expensive single room supplements. McCabe Pilgrimages will accept individual bookings on a 'guaranteed share' basis. We charge the basic price and accommodate you with a person of the same sex also requesting shared accommodation. If we do not find someone to share with you, you will be accommodated in a single room at only 50% of the usual single room supplement. For single travellers who do require single accommodation this should be requested when booking and, if available, the normal supplement will be payable.

PASSPORTS, VISAS AND HEALTH

Please ensure that your passport is valid for at least six months after the time of this pilgrimage. If you need a new passport apply early as there can be considerable backlogs at the passport offices. A visa is issued free of charge on entering Israel and there are currently no further requirements for entering the Palestinian territories. **If you are holding a non-British passport, or require further advice, please consult the McCabe office.** No inoculations are required but we advise you to consult your doctor regarding your own personal requirements.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

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