



## **Christmas Family tour**



# THANKSGIVING PRAYERS TOUR

In the

# HOLY LAND-ISRAEL

20<sup>th</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup> December 2021 WE INVITE YOU FOR:

8 DAYS OF:

Prayers and giving thanks to our Lord for all he has done for us and kept us safe during this difficult time, we pilgrimage to Holy Jerusalem to pray and thank Our Lord Jesus.

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Have the opportunity to visit Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Jericho, Cana, Nazareth, Haifa Caesarea, Capernaum, Sea of Galilee, River Jordan, Tiberius, Tel Aviv, Jaffa, and more ...

We promise take you through unforgettable once in a lifetime experience.

### **ITINERARY**

	DAY	SHORT ITINERARY
1	20.12.2021	Evening Flight From Kenya to Israel
2	21.12.2021	Welcome to ISRAEL drive to Caesarea. Haifa and Mt. Carmel .Stella
		Mares. Visit Cana, Nazareth, Mary's well, the church of Annunciation,
		and then continue to Mount Precipice. Overnight in Nazareth
3	22.12.2021	Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, enjoy the view from Mt. of the Beatitudes,
		church in Tabgha, on board and sail on Sea of Galilee. We visit the
		Baptismal Site at the Holy River Jordan. <b>Overnight in Nazareth</b>
4	23.12.2021	Kibbutz sha'ar hagolan , Jordan valley . Jericho, Bethlehem. <b>Overnight</b>
		in Bethlehem
5	<b>24.12.2021</b> J	erusalem Mt Olives, Church of the Ascension, Gethsemane, Mt Zion
		CHRISTMAS EVE. Overnight in Bethlehem
6	25.12.2021	special program for Christmas day : The Inn of the Good Samaritan,
		Masada - Qumran, Dead Sea. <b>Overnight In Bethlehem</b>
7	26.12.2021	erusalem Old City, Via Dolorosa, Wailing Wall
8	27.12.2021 \	isit Tel Aviv .Free time for shopping .Arrive at 21.00 hrs to Ben Gurion
		airport for flight to Kenya.
	9 <b>28.12.2021</b>	Welcome back to Kenya.

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### Shalom and welcome to Israel

Welcome home, Welcome to the Land of Canaan, the Promised Land, the Land of Milk and Honey, the Land of the Prophets, the Holy Land, the Land of Our Lord Jesus Christ and the State of Israel.

### <u>DAY 1</u>: EVENING FLIGHT FROM MOMBASA/NAIROBI TO TEL AVIV ISRAEL - ARRIVE TO ISRAEL EARLY MORNING

"I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the Lord". (Psalm 116:17)

### DAY 2: ISRAEL – GALILEE REGION, CAESAREA MARITIMA, HAIFA AND MT.CARMEL

I will praise thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto thee. I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name. (Psalm 138:1-2)"

**"Free Holiday Limited"** tour representatives will welcome you at BEN GURION International Airport and take you through the immigration and customs process.

We will Drive via the coastal highway to visit the Roman theatre and crusader ruins at Caesarea, and the aqueduct serve as a back-drop to The Book of Acts; Cornelius was the first gentile to become a Christian and St. Paul was imprisoned for 2 years here before he sailed to Rome. After the visit, drive to Haifa the third largest city in Israel. See the panoramic view from the top of Mt. Carmel. Visit the top balcony of the Baha'i shrine. Continue to the Carmelite Monastery Muhraka. Here you will learn about the contest between Elijah the Prophet and the 450 Baal prophets.

We will visit Cana, where Jesus performed his first miracle of turning water to wine and in fact began his public activity. We will go to Nazareth, visiting Marys well, the church of Annunciation" which was considered the home of Mary, where the angel announced to her that she would

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become pregnant (Luke chapter 2). We then continue to Mount Precipice. "...and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built in order to throw him down the cliff ..." Luke 4:29 Drive to The hotel for check in, dinner and overnight. (**Overnight in Nazareth/ Tiberius**)

### **DAY 3: ISRAEL – SEA OF GALILEE AND MT OF BEATITUDES**

"Oh, that Man would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! For he satisfied the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness". (Psalm 107:8-9)

After early breakfast, will drive to visit the places where Jesus performed most of His miracles. Around the **Sea of Galilee** – **Capernaum**. "Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake ..." with Peter's House and the famous Synagogue, enjoy the view from Mt. of the Beatitudes where the "Sermon on the Mount" was given (Matthew 5-7), and the reconstructed church in Tabgha, where Jesus performed the miracle of multiplying of The Bread and The Fish. We will have a short lunch break at a local restaurant. After lunch, we jump on board a boat similar to the one Jesus and His disciples used and sail on Sea of Galilee.

### **DAY 4: ISRAEL -JORDAN VALLEY, JERICHO, DEAD SEA**

(Overnight in Nazareth/ Tiberius)

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We leave Nazareth and Proceed to Kibbutz SHA'AR HAGOLAN one of the most successful kibbutz in Israel. Here you can see how ideology, perfect organization, hard work and faith can turn the desert to a fertile land. The main source of income is a plastics engineering factory. The kibbutz also grows bananas, avocado and watermelons, and has a herd of dairy cows. Another economic sector is tourism, one of the attractions on a museum of Yarmukian culture exhibiting pre-historic Neolithic findings discovered along the banks of the Yarmuk River. Established in the 1950s, it was

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Israel's first museum of prehistory. "The desert and the parched land will be glad; the wilderness will rejoice and blossom..." Isaiah 35: 1-2

Southbound, passing the Jordan Valley and visiting Jericho, one of the most ancient cities in the world, the first city that was conquered by Joshua and the children of Israel. We shall stop to the Sycamore fig tree on which Zakaos the tax collector climbed. We will see the Mount of Temptation where Jesus was tempted by the devil. We will visit the site of "Caser El Yahoud" the crossing point of the children of Israel when they entered to the Promised Land. The Traditional Baptism site for Baptism -Here you can renew your Baptism in exactly the same place where John the Baptist baptized Jesus .From here, we drive to drive to Jerusalem for dinner and (Overnight. In Bethlehem).

#### **DAY 5: ISRAEL - JERUSALEM**

Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness. (Psalm 107:8-9)

### "Our feet are standing in your gates, O Jerusalem..." Psalm 122: 2

After Breakfast, we will visit the church of Ascension, one of the most ancient churches of the world. Here we can see Jesus' footprint. From there to "Pater Noster", where Jesus taught his disciples what would happen in the end of the days and the Lord's Prayer. We visit the spectacular panoramic view of Jerusalem from the summit of the Mount of Olives and follow the footsteps of Jesus in his triumphant entry into the Holy City. We walk through the Palm Sunday road, and visit the church of Dominus Flevit, as he approached Jerusalem and saw the city he wept over it. We shall continue to Gethsemane, Where Jesus arrested. On to the Western Wall, which is consider the holiest site for the Jewish faith, we are able to put our notes of wishes in the cracks of the wall. Continuing to the Mount of Zion, we visit the Upper room where Jesus had the last supper with his disciples, where the Holy Spirit descended upon Jesus' disciples in tongues of fire during the Pentecost feast. We shall visit King David's tomb and go down to Caphis House where Peter denied Jesus three times, and where Jesus spent his last night in the pit before his crucifixion.

### **Driving to Bethlehem for:**

### **Usher in Christmas. On Christmas Eve.**

On Christmas Eve, annual Christmas processions taken out. Residents of the town as well as tourists crowd the doorways and the roof of the Basilica to get a view of the parade. Galloping horses and police mounted on Arabian horses lead the procession followed by a man riding over a

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black steed and carrying a cross. After him come the churchmen and government officials. The procession quietly enters the doors and puts an ancient effigy of the Holy Child in the Church. Then the visitors taken through deep winding stairs leading to a grotto where a silver star marks the site of the birth of Jesus. The experience here is simply breath taking **you will be there!** (Overnight in Bethlehem)

### <u>DAY 6:</u>-Today is the Christmas day and we are celebrating Special program. The Inn of the Good Samaritan, Masada - Qumran, Dead Sea

"Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the Hungry with good things. (" Psalm 107:8-9)

After a wonderful Christmas Eve night, we will take our time and wake up a little later for breakfast. Today is one of the highlights of the trip.

This journey begins by taking the route down from Jerusalem descending below sea level through the Biblical wilderness towards the Dead Sea. On the way, we will see the Inn of the Good Samaritan, stop, and route to look out across the desert as we pass the point marking "sea level." The ancient city of Jericho can be seen in the distance where Joshua's troops caused the walls to fall (Joshua 6) and where Jesus healed the blind (Mark 10:46-52).

We reach the shores of the Dead Sea encrusted with white salt and follow the shoreline towards **Masada**.

Although it is possible to climb, then we take the convenient cable car up to the mountaintop plateau. Here we will get to know the heroic story and the tragic end of the last community in Judea with 960 rebels, including many women and children who fled to the desert After the Romans burned and destroyed Jerusalem and joined **Elazar** at **Masada** and hid in Herod's former palaces.

It was on **Masada** that the first parchment from this era that discovered in an Israeli archaeological excavation. On the parchment was the prophecy of **Ezekiel "...I will take the children of Israel from among the nations... and bring them into their own land..." (Ezekiel 37).** 

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Heading back to the Dead Sea we pass the desert oasis of **Ein Gedi** where there is lush foliage and hidden waterfalls and where David hid from angry King Saul. We also pass by Qumran where the 2,000-year-old Dead Sea scrolls were discovered in a number of hillside caves.

To end off a perfect day we stop at the Dead Sea, the lowest point on Earth, and a contender for the title of one of the Seven Wonders of the World. People come from across the globe to enjoy the therapeutic mineral-rich waters and do not worry if you do not know how to swim, the high salt content will keep you afloat.

### **Read More about Masada story:**

When Jerusalem was destroyed in 70 A.D. By the Romans- the remaining Jewish rebels joined Eleazar at Masada to live in Herod's former palaces.

That were the last community in Judea with 960 rebels, including many women and children.

The Roman Caesar - Flavius Silva who ruled Judea, Went down to Masada with his 8,000 Romans soldiers to destroy the last community of Jews left in Judea.

They built camps surrounding the Masada and actually did not allow food and water supplies to reach the Jews who had fortified at the top of the **Masada Mountain** in order to weaken and starve them and then kill them.

After several months of siege without success, the Romans built a tower on the ramp to try to take out the fortress's wall. When it became clear that the Romans were going to take over Masada, on April 15, 73 A.D., on the instructions of **Ben Yair**, all but 2 women and 5 children, who hid in the cisterns and later told their stories, took their own lives rather than live as Roman slaves.

### According to Josephus's account in The Wars of the Jews:

"They had died in the belief that they had left not a soul of them alive to fall into Roman hands; The Romans advanced to the assault ... seeing none of the enemy but on all sides the awful solitude, and flames within and silence, they were at al loss to conjecture what had happened here encountering the mass of slain, instead of exulting as over enemies, they admired the nobility of their resolve."









### **DAY 7:** JERUSALEM, OLD CITY

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your Minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6-7)

After breakfast We will proceed to Jerusalem to continue our day behind **the walls of the Old City**, in the pools of **Beit Hesda**, where Jesus performed one of his miracles, and which is also the place of birth of Mary. We will follow the path of Jesus on his last way with the cross, the fourteen Stations of the Cross (Via Delorosa). We will visit the pavement and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre where the last five stations are situated. After a lunch break in the old city, and free time in the Oriental Bazaar (old City market), and if time permits we visit St Johns Church, the birth place of John the Baptist. We will have a tour and a communion in the Garden Tomb. **(Overnight in Bethlehem).** 

### **DAY 8:** TEL AVIV – JAFFA- FREE TIME- SHOPPING – AIRPORT

"I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD, proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds". (Psalm 26:6-7)

After breakfast and check out we will drive to Old City of Jaffa, Jaffa is an ancient seaport mentioned in the biblical narrative of Jonah; where he tried to flee from God, and the whale that was commanded by God and in the story of Solomon's import of the cedars of Lebanon. Jaffa is fishing port, St. Peter's Church, artist's quarter; Visitor Centre and panoramic view of Tel Aviv are all highlights. Jaffa is one of the ancient gateways to the Holy Land: Through its port, the Cedar trees for Solomon's Temple were brought. Christianity began to be spread among the nations from Jaffa after persecution became so

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intense. Here St. Peter lived in the house of Simon the Tanner and had the "Vision of the Flesh" and here he made his first miracle by healing the little girl. We will walk through the area known as the White City to see the preservation of buildings of Bauhaus architecture of the 1920s and 1930s, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and stop at Independence Hall, where Ben-Gurion declared independence in 1948. Jaffa attracts many historical and cultural tourists and artists. **FREE TIME SHOPING IN TEL AVIV and pick up at 19:00HRS to BEN GURION INTERNATIONL AIRPORT to fly to Kenya.** 

### **DAY 9:** Welcome back to Kenya.

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, and give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-1)

# Free Holiday Limited would love to facilitate your once lifetime opportunity,



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### **TOUR PACKAGE RATES**

The Net prices, per person as per above mentioned time and date of agreement are as follows:

- Ksh 185,000 per person sharing
- 100 USD for entry Visa Fee, + tip +Unexpected expenses
- Up to 50% Discount for Children

#### **INCLUSIONS**

- 1. Flight: **Departure:** Kenya Israel **Return:** Israel Kenya
- 2. Meet & Assist upon arrival & departure.
- 3. All tours, transfers and sightseeing as per below itinerary with an English speaking guide inqlud Entrance fees to all sites.
- 4. Accommodation for 6 nights at the above mentioned hotels or similar In twin bed Room Or with two single beds with either bath tub or shower.
- 5. Breakfast & Dinner Daily (H.B)
- 6. Daily touring as per the itinerary.
- 7. Visa to Israel (please note that the costs once visa application is launched are non-refundable).
- 8. Transportation in a deluxe air-conditioned motor coach as per the itinerary.

#### **EXCLUSIONS**

- 1. Any item of Personal Nature
- 2. Lunches.
- 3. Traveler insurance & personal expenses.
- 4. Any other item not indicated as 'included' on the list above.

#### **PAYMENT & TERMS:**

- There may be changes depending on the circumstances.
- Note: Please note the cancellation policy and the applicable general terms and conditions as they appear on the Company's website and which require both parties.
- The down payment confirms acceptance of the terms as they appear on the Company's website and constitutes an agreement between the two parties as if they were signed.

We look forward to being your host as you enter into this once in a lifetime experience. Yours faithfully, FREE HOLIDAY TEAM.

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