



Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

for the faithful of the New Westminster Eparchy

It's a unique opportunity to explore the spiritual underpinnings of the Holy Land, to feel how geography, history, and culture have shaped individual and theological understandings, to get a profound experience, helping participants build a deeper and more grounded faith.



Itinerary:

- Day 1.** On the way to Tel Aviv
- Day 2.** Bethlehem
- Day 3.** Mount of Olives, Zion
- Day 4.** Haifa. Nazareth
- Day 5.** Lake of Galilee
- Day 6.** Old Jerusalem
- Day 7.** Judean Desert. Dead Sea
- Day 8.** On the way to Vancouver

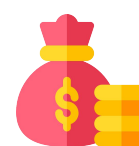


Travel Date

March 11 - 19, 2023

Departure: Vancouver YVR

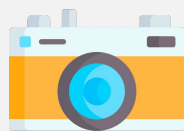
Arrival: Vancouver YVR



Price:

Only Land package
from **\$1,890** per person
in Double room
Single supplement **\$1,240**

All prices are in Canadian Dollars
based on Double/ Single occupancy



What to expect on our pilgrimage:

- Deepen relationships with **God** through participation in daily **Liturgies** and explanation of the **Biblical** texts related to the most important events that happened in the life of **Jesus, Mary, Apostles, John the Baptist** and many other prophets and saints who lived in the **Holy Land**
- Renew **Marriage** vows in **Cana of Galilee** and **Baptismal** vows in the place where **Jesus** was baptized by **John the Baptist**
- Learn more about your **Christian** faith and visit the most sacred religious destinations on **Earth**
- Experience the unforgettable atmosphere of **Old Jerusalem** and its **Christian, Muslim, Jewish** and **Armenian** quarters
- Discover the oldest city in the world, **Jericho**, as well as many other ancient cities such as **Bethlehem, Nazareth, Ein Karem, Capernaum, Magdala, Abu Gosh...**
- Descend to the lowest place on **Earth**, swim in three seas (the **Dead Sea**, the **Mediterranean Sea** and the **Sea of Galilee**), immerse into the waters of the **Jordan river** and sail a boat on the **Gennesaret Lake**
- Explore the **Judean Desert**, the smallest desert in the world with dozens of cave monasteries and rich history of **Christian monasticism**.
- Get familiar with **Jewish** history, culture, and customs and taste extraordinary **Middle East** cuisine, particularly the so-called "**Fish of St. Peter**" on the grill.





DAY 1.

Vancouver - Tel Aviv - Bethlehem

DAY 2.

Bethlehem (Church of Nativity, Milk Grotto) - Beit Sahour (Shepherds Field) - Ein Karem (Church of Visitation) - Bethlehem

DAY 3.

Bethlehem - Jerusalem (Mount of Olives: Pater Noster, Dominus Flevit, Garden of Gethsemane, Church of all Nations, Tomb of Mary) - Jerusalem (Mount of Sion: Church of Cock's Crow, Room of the Last Supper, Church of Dormition of the Blessed Virgin Mary) - Bethlehem

DAY 4.

Bethlehem - Haifa (Mount Carmel, Carmelite monastery Stella Maris, Bahai Gardens) - Jezreel Valley - Mount Tabor - Cana of Galilee - Nazareth (Basilica of Annunciation, The House of the Holy Family) - Tiberia

DAY 5.

Tiberia - Lake Of Galilee (Mount of Beatitudes, Tabgha, Church of the Primacy of Saint Peter, Capernaum, St. Peters Grilled Fish Dinner, Boat trip) - Bethlehem

DAY 6.

Bethlehem - Old Jerusalem (Bethesda, House of Joachim and Anna, Via Dolorosa, Church of the Holy Sepulcher, Jewish Quarters, Western or Wailing Wall) - Bethlehem

DAY 7.

Bethlehem - Judean Desert (Liturgy in Kfar Adumim) - Jericho (Qarantal or Monastery of the Temptation) - Jordan river (Qasr el Yahud or place of Jesus' Baptism) - Monastery of St. Gerasimos of Jordan - Dead Sea - Bethlehem

DAY 8.

Bethlehem - Tel Aviv - Vancouver



Services

- ✓ 7 nights accommodation in comfort class hotel
- ✓ All rooms have a private bath or shower and WC
- ✓ Fully air-conditioned comfortable Motor Coach
- ✓ Professional Spiritual Tour Guide 24 hours a day
- ✓ 7 Breakfasts
- ✓ 7 Dinners
- ✓ 3 Lunches
- ✓ Taxes
- ✗ Flight tickets (from \$2,300 per person)
- ✗ Travel Medical Insurance (highly recommended)
- ✗ Liturgical intentions for living and deceased and donations for churches in which we will have daily Divine Liturgies (seven Liturgies)

HOW TO REGISTER

- Please send your request to communications@uahelp.ca
- Deadline for initial registration is **Dec 1st, 2022**
- Deposit of **\$200** per person no later than **Dec 15th, 2022**
- Organisers retain the right to cancel the tour no later than 40 days before the tour date with a full refund. Events may be canceled or postponed due to circumstances related to COVID-19. Please research before you go and keep alternative activities in mind as you plan your trip.



Optional package \$60

- Church on the birthplace of John the Baptist
- Orthodox church on the place where angels announced the news of Christ's birth to the shepherds
- Ascension Convent on the top of the Mount of Olives
- Synagogue on the burial place of King David
- The Orthodox Church of Annunciation where Holy Virgin Mary met Archangel Gabriel announcing the birth of the Messiah
- Mount of the Leap of the Lord in Nazareth
- Orthodox Church of Twelve Apostles in Capernaum
- Bethany: Church of St. Lazarus
- Cave Monastery of George Hosevit in Judean desert

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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We are pleased to work with you to create your dream journey!