

Holy Land

"The living Word on the footsteps of Jesus"

March 12-23, 2007



Follow in the footsteps of Jesus in an amazing journey to the Holy Land. Trace the roots of Christian tradition as you cross desert and mountains to the cities of Jerusalem, Bethlehem and Nazareth. Yesterday and today come together in this unique opportunity to deeply connect to the teachings of Christ through the land where he lived.

ACCOMPANIED BY JEAN-YVES LELOUP:

He holds doctorate degrees in philosophy, psychology and theology, and he has authored about 50 reference books. His interdisciplinary approach incorporates Christian sources and other great human traditions. He is considered one of the pioneers in Europe of transpersonal psychology, which studies the spiritual dimensions of humanity. Through his books, conferences, seminars and travels, he offers a deep understanding of sacred texts, as well as profound reflections on the great wealth of spirituality.



PRELIMINARY ITINERARY



Day 1: Departure from Montreal.

Day 2: Arrival in Tel Aviv, transfer to Kalia Kibbutz.

"The Kibbutz began as a collective agricultural operation, a form of communal enterprise, soon after the founding of the State of Israel. Today, kibbutzes are very diverse and no longer necessarily based on agriculture. Some run commercial or industrial enterprises, including resorts, such as Kalia."

Day 3: Walk in the desert of Judah, accommodations at the Kalia Kibbutz.

“Place of refuge: Due to the absence of water and of good routes, the desert of Judah was more or less uninhabited throughout history. Consequently, it was an ideal location for people seeking refuge far from their enemies or a retreat far from the world. After escaping from Saul, David hid in various places in the desert of Judah (the deserts of Ziph, Maon and En-Guedi all form parts of the desert of Judah). John the Baptist preached here and it seems logical that this is also the desert where Jesus was tempted. Herod the Great built two fortresses (Herodium and Massada) in this desert for his protection just in case the people organized a revolt against him.”



Day 4: Cruise on the Sea of Galilee (Lake Tiberias), visit the Mount of Beatitudes. *“The Sermon on the Mount is recounted in Matthew 5-7 and Luke 6. At the top of the Mount of Beatitudes is a Catholic chapel, which was built by Franciscan sisters in 1939 with the support of Mussolini. The view from the Mount of Beatitudes opens onto Lake Tiberias as well as the Plain of Gennesaret, which stretches four kilometers and is known for its fertile land.”*

Accommodations close to Lake Tiberias (at the monastery of the Franciscans of the Immaculate Heart of Mary on the Mount of Beatitudes).

Day 5: Morning workshop (prayer of the heart, meditation and/or teaching) on the mountain or on the shores of the lake; hike; bus trip to Mount Tabor.

Accommodations close to Lake Tiberias.

Day 6: Morning workshop; bus trip to Nazareth and Cana. Accommodations close to Lake Tiberias.

Day 7: Morning workshop; transfer to Jerusalem; check-in at a hotel in the Old City (Gloria Hotel or the equivalent).

Day 8: Walking tour of Jerusalem, Old City. Departure for Mount Zion, the Jewish quarter, archeological digs of the Southern Wall, the Western Wall (the Wailing Wall) and the Dome of the Rock. Overnight stay in Jerusalem



Day 9: Walking tour of Jerusalem. Way of the Cross (Via Dolorosa) up to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

“Built by Emperor Constantine and his mother, St. Helena, in c. 330, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher commemorates the hill upon which Christ was crucified and the tomb where he was buried. Based on tradition, this church remains the most likely site where these events took place.” Overnight stay in Jerusalem..

Day 10: Bus trip to Bethlehem; walking tour of Bethlehem and visit of the Church of the Nativity, the grotto of St. Jerome, the shepherds' field. Overnight stay in Jerusalem.



Day 11: Free day in Jerusalem. Overnight stay in Jerusalem.

Day 12: Transfer to the airport

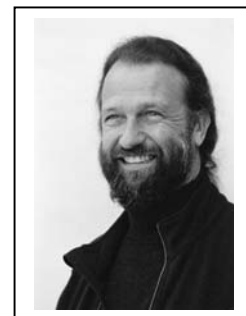
GENERAL INFORMATION

Tour leaders



ANNE GODBOUT

Director/Founder of Spiritours. Since 1992, she has been organizing group trips professionally and has been leading them regularly in different countries. She speaks French, English and Spanish fluently. She is also a member of the World Conference on Religion and Peace in Montreal.



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PACKAGE'S FARE:

Registration before December 1st : **3 599 \$/person (occ. 2)**

Registration after December 1st : **3 799 \$/person (occ. 2)**

Dates : March 12-23, 2007

Number of participants: min. 25, max. 35

The package includes: round trip airfare Montreal-Tel Aviv, lodging, all meals, all transportation, all visits mentioned in the itinerary, local guide, tour leaders, all taxes

The package does not include : Travel Insurance (See next page for details), drinks during meals, personal expenses, gratuities.

Additional fee for single room : about 300\$ (to be confirmed)

Registration deadline :: January 10th, 2007

N.B. Please take note that we will have a daily walk of 1 to 2 hours, you should be in a good shape to participate in this trip. You do not have to be an athlete, this walking activity is on a moderate level.

Required documentation : Valid passport .





TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Important notice : Your booking for these vacations involves an agreement between you and those who provide the services. Please read all the information on this page since it sets out the conditions covering the travel and other services offered.

BOOKING

Upon signing your registration form a deposit of \$500.00 for the trips including a flight or 25% of the total price for the trips by motorcoach, is payable to **Spiritours** with an international money order or by personal check (Canada only). This deposit does not include health, baggage or trip insurance. The balance is due no less than 50 days from departure for the trips including a flight or no less than 21 days from departure for the trips by motorcoach. The tour operator reserves the right to cancel your booking if payments are not received within 5 days after their due date.

CANCELLATION CHARGES

If you intend to cancel, notify your representant immediately. Cancellation charges will apply based on the date the tour operator receives notice of cancellation.

For trips including a flight:

45 days and prior: \$500.00

Less than 45 days: no refund

For trips by motorcoach:

45 days and prior : 25% of total price

45 to 21 days before departure : 50% of total price

Less than 21 days before departure : no refund

Changes to a Booking : A passenger wishing to make a change to the original booking must notify the Tour Operator outside of 50 days prior to departure. An administration charge of \$50 per booking will be levied for such changes. Changes within 50 days of departure will not be accepted and will be considered as a cancellation.

INSURANCE

We suggest that you take a trip cancellation or interruption insurance in case of sickness, hospitalization, death of the covered person or a member of his family, a disaster (fire, flood, etc.), loss of employment or another major reason.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Special requests, for example, room locations, adjoining rooms, bed preferences, in-flight meal requirements, in-flight seating requirement... cannot be guaranteed by Spiritours. While the Tour Operator will attempt to accommodate such special requests, the Tour Operator cannot be held responsible if such special requests cannot be fulfilled.

DOCUMENTATION

It is the passenger's responsibility to obtain, at his own expense, all documentation required by all relevant government authorities. It is suggested that prior to departure, the passenger ascertains the documentation required. In the event that the passenger does not possess the documentation required by the destination or the carrier, the carrier reserves the right to refuse passage.

FLIGHTS AND CARRIERS

All flight times, flight itineraries and carriers are subject to change with or without prior notice. We recommend that you contact the airline within 24 hours of departure to confirm your departure time. Flight check-in opens two hours and closes 30 minutes prior to departure. The Tour Operator recommends that you check-in 2 hours prior to departure. The tour operator cannot be held responsible if you miss your flight or are denied boarding.

BAGGAGE

Each person is entitled to two normal sized pieces of checked luggage. Weight restrictions vary between 10 and 32 kilos per person, consult your airline prior to departure. **UNLESS INSURED, ALL BAGGAGE REMAINS AT THE OWNER'S RISK THROUGHOUT THE TRIP.**

REFUNDS

NO REFUNDS OR ADJUSTMENTS WILL BE MADE FOR PORTIONS OF THE TRIP OR ATTENDANT SERVICES NOT TAKEN OR USED.

INCREASE IN COSTS

The costs are dependent on fuel costs, rates of exchange, taxation and other factors. Should these costs increase, the Tour Operator reserves the right to increase the price.

COMPLIANCE

The passenger agrees to comply with any reasonable instructions issued by the Tour Operator or its representative relating to the tour. The passenger waives any claim against the Tour Operator for loss, damages or injury for any reason or by any result of the rendering of any of the services included.

TOUR OPERATORS RESPONSIBILITY

The tour Operator makes arrangements with airlines, local tour operators, wholesalers, hotels, coach companies, and other independent parties to provide you with the travel services and other services you purchase. Although the Tour Operator takes great care in selecting these suppliers, the Tour Operator is unable and does not have any control over them and therefore cannot be responsible for their acts or omissions. The Tour Operator shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury, whether physical or mental, resulting from any delay, substitution of equipment, or any act, omission, negligence or commission of any party supplying any of the services or accommodation herein, its agents, servants, employees, subcontractors, or for any claims for such loss, damage, or injury, or from any cause that arises by reason of actions of parties other than the Tour Operator.

REGISTRATION FORM

Surname : _____ First name : _____

Profession : _____

Address : _____

City : _____ Province or State : _____ Postal code : _____

Phone # (home) : _____ Phone # (work) : _____

E-mail : _____

Date of birth : _____ Passport number : _____

Destination : HOLY LAND

Departure date : March 12th , 2007

Return date : March 23th , 2007

Travel companion : _____

Person to contact in case of an emergency : Nom : _____

Phone number : _____

How did you hear about us?: _____

Travel insurance (Blue-Cross), for canadian residents only with a valid health insurance card:

- Medical insurance : \$43(0-34 years old), \$47 (35-60 year old) : _____
- Regular package (medical, trip cancellation and luggage insurance) : \$202,86 (0-60 year old) _____
- Regular package excluding medical insurance : \$176,76 (0-60 years old) _____
- I do not wish to purchase any travel insurance: _____

Your signature implies that you have read the **Terms and Conditions** of Spiritours.

Date : _____ Signature : _____

Please send this form with your **\$500** deposit to book your space, along with a post-dated cheque for the remaining balance (optional) to the following address : **Spiritours, c/o Anne Godbout, 5517 St-Michel, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, H1Y 2C9.**



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