

Join Dr. Mike & Kathy Whitson and Co-host Dr. Joe & Phyllis Brown  
on a Ten Day Life-Changing tour of the

# HOLY LAND



September 5-14, 2023

\$5,195 per person from Charlotte, NC



### The Tour Price Includes:

- \* Roundtrip Airfare including Taxes
- \* Deluxe Hotel Accommodations
- \* Three Meals Daily (B/L/D)
- \* Gratuities (Hotels & Restaurants)
- \* Entrance Fees
- \* Tips (Driver & Guide)
- \* Personal Listening Device
- \* Professional Tour Guide
- \* Deluxe Air-Conditioned Coach
- \* Backpack, Travel Kit & Tour Book

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## September 5 - DEPART USA

Today we meet at our international departure airport where our host will assist with check-in formalities. This evening we will enjoy a delicious dinner high above the Atlantic.

## September 6 - ARRIVE TEL AVIV - JOPPA

Welcome Home to the Land of our Bible! We arrive in Tel Aviv this evening. Upon arrival, our TEMPLETON TOURS representative will meet us and assist us in gathering our luggage. After airport procedures are completed, we will meet our local guide and driver and begin our tour of the Holy Land. We start with a visit to Joppa, Jonah's port of embarkation for Tarshish. Joppa was also the home of Tabitha (or Dorcas) who was raised from the dead by Peter. It was also here that Peter learned that God was interested in the salvation of the Gentiles. This evening, we will transfer to our hotel on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea for dinner and overnight. (D)

## September 7 - TEL AVIV - CAESAREA - MOUNT CARMEL - MEGIDDO - NAZARETH - CANA - TIBERIAS

After breakfast, we will travel up the coast to Caesarea by the sea. There we will visit the Crusaders' castle, the Roman amphitheater, the seaport from which the Apostle Paul sailed to Rome, and the Roman aqueduct system. We continue along the coast to Mount Carmel to see the site of Elijah's triumph over the prophets of Baal. After lunch we continue north to Megiddo on the Plain of Armageddon to see King Solomon's stables and water supply system. Prophecy will come alive at Megiddo as we look over the Valley of Armageddon. We then travel to Nazareth, the boyhood home of Jesus, to visit the oldest of the churches of the annunciation and Mary's well. On our way to Tiberias we will stop in the little town of Cana where Christ turned the water into wine. We will hold a short ceremony in an ancient church for the couples who wish to renew their marriage vows. Then we'll proceed to our hotel in Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee for dinner and overnight. (B/L/D)

## September 8 - TIBERIAS - SEA OF GALILEE - CAPERNAUM - MOUNT OF BEATITUDES - MAGDALA - BAPTISM

After breakfast we take a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee. While on the boat we'll pause for a brief worship service and remember the many miracles our Lord performed in this area. We'll dock at Nof Ginossar to visit the "Jesus Boat" museum to see a boat that dates back to the time of Jesus. Then we will stop at the Primacy of Peter where Jesus commanded Peter to "Feed my sheep." We'll proceed to Capernaum to see the remains of an early church, the ruins of Peter's house, and the ancient synagogue. After lunch we'll travel to



Jordan River Baptism

the Mount of Beatitudes above the Sea of Galilee to read the Sermon on the Mount while overlooking the Jordan Valley. Then we'll proceed to a recently discovered site, a first century synagogue, in Magdala. It is believed that this is the hometown of Mary Magdalene, a follower of Jesus. Finally, before returning to our hotel in Tiberias, we'll stop on the banks of the Jordan River for a very special baptismal service. (B/L/D)

## September 9 - TIBERIAS - BEIT SHE'AN - BETHABARA - JERICHO - DEAD SEA

This morning we will leave the Galilee area travel south through the Jordan River Valley. We will stop and visit the new excavations at Beit She'an, the city where the Philistines hung the bodies of Saul and Jonathan. Then we will visit Bethabara where John baptized those who came to him (John 1:28). This is also known as the "place of crossing" where the children of Israel crossed into the Promised Land (Joshua 3:14-17). We will travel through the Jordan Valley to Jericho, one of the oldest cities in the world. If conditions permit, we will enter Jericho to see the excavations of the ancient walls, view the Mount of Temptation, and see Elisha's Spring. Our hotel tonight is located just off the shores of the Dead Sea. The Dead Sea is 1300 feet below sea level and is the lowest spot on the earth. Be sure you take time to swim in the Dead Sea or the freshwater pool and spa. The waters are made up of 25% salt and are so dense that it's impossible to sink. You can literally sit up in the water as if you were in a chair. (B/L/D)



Sailing on the Sea of Galilee

## **September 10 - MASADA - EIN GEDI - QUMRAN - JERUSALEM**

After an excellent breakfast buffet we will travel to the mountain fortress of Masada, truly a remarkable piece of history. We'll ascend by cable car to visit the magnificent ruins of the fortress where the Jewish zealots made the last stand of the Judean revolt against Rome. Today the remains of Herod's buildings, palaces, storehouses, cisterns, and a 6th Century Byzantine church are still in view. We will then drive along the shores of the Dead Sea to Ein Gedi, a green oasis in the middle of the desert, and see the area where David hid while fleeing from King Saul. Afterwards we will travel to Qumran to see the caves where they hid some of the Dead Sea Scrolls. After lunch we will begin our ascent to Jerusalem. On the way, we will stop to view the St. George Monastery, an active monastery since the 5th century. We will also get a glimpse of "the Valley of the Shadow of Death." We arrive in Jerusalem, the capital of Israel for over 3000 years, and pause on Mount Scopus where our guide will lead us in the traditional Jewish Welcome. Dinner and overnight will be at our hotel in Jerusalem. (B/L/D)

## **September 11 - TEMPLE MOUNT – CHURCH OF ST. ANNE - POOL OF BETHESDA – MODEL CITY – SHRINE OF THE BOOK - BETHLEHEM**

This morning we will begin our tour with a visit to the Temple Mount where the Jewish temple stood until its destruction by the Roman Legions in 70 A.D. There we will see the Dome of the Rock Mosque built over the rock where Abraham prepared to sacrifice Isaac, the Al-Aqsa Mosque, and the Golden Gate. We'll continue our walk through the Old City to the beautiful Crusader Church dedicated to St. Anne and the nearby Pool of Bethesda. After lunch, we will visit the Model City of Jerusalem as it was in 69 AD. We'll also visit the Shrine of the Book where the Dead Sea Scrolls are kept. If conditions permit, we will then take a short drive to Bethlehem to visit the Church of the Nativity, built over the cave of Christ's birth, as well as the Shepherd's Field and plains of Boaz. We will also visit one of the famous Bethlehem gift shops and see the ancient crafts of Bethlehem, dating from Crusader times, before returning to our hotel. (B/L/D)

## **September 12 - WESTERN WALL TUNNEL - PILATE'S PALACE – JEWISH QUARTER - MOUNT OF OLIVES - UPPER ROOM - SOUTHERN WALL EXCAVATIONS**

Our second day in Jerusalem begins with a visit to the famous Western Wall and Tunnel excavation site. We will visit Ecce Homo (Behold the Man), site of the Antonia Fortress. We'll pass many of the traditional 14 Stations of the Cross on the Via Dolorosa and also see part of the old colorful oriental market. We will continue our walk and visit the restored Jewish Quarter and the Roman Cardo, the main street of Jerusalem



**Praying at Gethsemane**

in Roman times. Then we travel a short distance to the Mount of Olives for a breathtaking view of the city of Jerusalem. While we are here, our guide will point out all of the important sites of Jerusalem. We will proceed to Mount Zion to visit the Upper Room, traditional site of the Last Supper and the fire of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. At the end of the day we

will be visiting the Southern Wall excavation site. Here we will walk on the very stones where Jesus trod to Herod's "second temple" and see the place where our Savior taught the Scriptures. (B/L/D)

## **September 13 - GETHSEMANE – POOL OF SILOAM - HOUSE OF CAIAPHAS - CALVARY - GARDEN TOMB**

Today is our last day in the Holy Land so we want to make the most of it. We start our tour with a visit to the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus had His agony and was betrayed. There we will pause for devotion and prayer time in a private garden. After our worship service we will take a short walk through the Valley of the Tombs, passing the traditional tombs of Absalom and Ezra. After our walk we will visit the recent archaeological discovery of the Pool of Siloam. This is the place where Jesus told the blind man to wash the mud from his eyes so he could see. Then we will visit the House of Caiaphas where Peter denied Christ three times. After lunch, we will conclude our tour of the Holy Land with a visit to Calvary and the Garden Tomb, a peaceful spot where we can remember Christ's crucifixion, burial, and resurrection and share in the Lord's Supper. This evening we will enjoy a delicious dinner at our hotel. (B/L/D)

## **September 14 - ARRIVE USA**

Today our memorable journey and Holy Land pilgrimage comes to an end. We will transfer to the airport in Tel Aviv and board the plane for our return flight home. In flight we can fellowship with our friends and remember the many things we shared together.



**Garden Tomb - Jerusalem**

**DEPOSITS AND PAYMENTS:** A deposit of \$250.00 per person is required to make a reservation. An additional payment of \$750.00 per person is due May 3, 2023. The final payment is due no less than 60 days prior to the departure date of the tour (July 7, 2023). Payment can be made by personal check or money order. Credit card payments beyond the initial deposit will be accepted for an additional non-refundable fee of 3%. Reservations received after May 3, 2023 may incur additional charges due to supplier contract terms.

**CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS:** If a passenger cancels his/her tour membership there will be a cancellation fee of one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) per person up until 91 days before departure. For cancellations 90-60 days before departure the cancellation fee will be \$250.00 per person. There will be no refund for cancellations within 59 days of departure, no-shows, or partially completed tours. All cancellation requests must be addressed to TEMPLETON TOURS INC. in writing.

**COVID PROTOCOLS:** There are presently no COVID requirements for visiting Israel. Registered passengers will be notified of any changes to the COVID protocols.

**FARE INCLUSIVE:** Roundtrip air transportation from Charlotte, NC (CLT). Eight (8) nights hotel accommodations, based on two people sharing a double or twin-bedded room in four-star hotels. All meals as outlined in the brochure consisting of full Israeli breakfasts (B), lunches (L), and table d'hote dinners at the hotel (D). Sightseeing as outlined in the itinerary by private motorcoaches, utilizing the services of a local English speaking guide. Entrance fees for attractions if applicable. All transfers between airports and hotels by private motorcoach. Service charges and taxes normally levied by hotels and restaurants. All U.S. & Israeli departure taxes are included in the price of the tour. Tips to guides, motorcoach drivers, hotel porters, and restaurant staff (i.e., maitre d', table waiter, etc.) are also included. The brochure price is per person in US dollars.

**TOUR ITINERARY SUBJECT TO CHANGE:** TTI strives to adhere to the printed itinerary; however, circumstances may necessitate changes without advance notice during the tour. TTI reserves the right to change the itinerary, and is not responsible for any changes caused by unforeseen circumstances beyond our control.

**TOUR CANCELLATION:** TTI reserves the right to cancel or withdraw the tour at any time. In the event of a cancellation deemed necessary by TTI, the sole and exclusive responsibility of TEMPLETON TOURS is to refund all monies recovered.

**NOT INCLUDED:** Passport costs, visa fees (if any), and health documentation costs (when required); food and beverages (including coffee and tea) not usually included with the table d'hote meals; optional sightseeing tours and excursions; accident and baggage insurance; transporting and handling excess luggage; tips to persons rendering special personal services; items of a purely personal nature such as laundry, telephone, room service orders, etc.; transportation between the home city and the international departure city.

**AIR ROUTINGS:** The price includes IATA jet economy class transportation from the international departure city applicable on all IATA and ARC carriers, based on the 6/45 day Apex fare to the Middle East. TTI reserves the right to choose the air carrier, routing, and departure time for each passenger. Airfares used are based on contracted group fares and are highly restrictive. Payments for and restrictions on airline tickets are governed by the applicable fare. Cancellation fees levied by the airlines are applicable if you cancel or change your air ticket for any reason after purchase of air ticket. Ticketing must be completed 45 days prior to departure. Group fares do not permit deviations; passengers who wish to deviate may arrange their own airfare. An airline credit of \$1,295 will be given to those passengers who arrange their own airfare. Passengers planning to arrange their own air transportation must notify TTI in writing on or before May 3, 2023. Seat numbers will be assigned by the airline at check-in; specific seat requests cannot be guaranteed. Passengers are responsible for providing frequent flyer information upon check-in.

**HOTELS:** Tour prices are per person, based on two people sharing a room. Single rooms are subject to availability and at an additional cost of \$1,295. (Tour participants without a roommate will have to pay single room surcharge.)

**BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE:** One (1) piece of checked luggage whose overall dimensions do not exceed 62 inches (length + width + height) and whose weight does not exceed fifty (50) pounds in total. One (1) piece of carry-on luggage & one personal item (i.e. purse, laptop bag, backpack). Tips to hotel porters are included for one normal sized piece of luggage, excluding carry-on bags which must remain in your possession at all times. Regulations are subject to change without notice. Please read the monthly correspondence from TEMPLETON TOURS for the most current information. Dangerous articles such as firearms, explosives, oxygen, or combustible substances are prohibited in your luggage. Medications, valuables, passports, and a change of clothing should be packed in your carry-on bag.

**DISABILITIES:** Due to the difficult terrain at sites we will visit, persons requiring oxygen or oxygen therapy will not be permitted on the tour. For reasons of passenger safety and well-being, persons with impaired mobility, vision, or mental capacity will not be permitted on the tour. TEMPLETON TOURS, INC. reserves the right to refuse passage to someone who is in such physical or mental condition as to be unfit for travel or who may require care and attention beyond that which the tour guide and tour host can provide. The tour requires a substantial amount of walking and the sites are not accessible by wheelchair.

**INSURANCE:** Acting only as agents for suppliers, TEMPLETON TOURS is not responsible for damage, loss, or theft of luggage and/or personal belongings, or for personal injury, accident, illness and/or death as a result of any occurrences or conditions beyond its control, including, but not limited to, defects in vehicles, breakdown in equipment, strikes, terrorist attacks, hostage situations, kidnappings, hijackings, protests, riots, public demonstrations, or theft. For your protection, it is important that you have adequate insurance to cover these possibilities. Information and application forms for all types of coverage will be supplied you prior to departure.

**PASSPORT:** Each tour member is required to present a valid passport with an expiration date of March 14, 2024 or later. Complete instructions and application forms for passports can be obtained by contacting your local courthouse or post office. Name on Registration Form must match name as it appears on your Passport.

**PRICE CHANGES:** Tour conditions and air fares are subject to Governmental, IATA, ARC, and airline regulation requirements in effect at the date of and during the tour. All rates are quoted in US dollars and are subject to change without notice. Taxes and fuel surcharges are included in your tour cost and are subject to change without notice. Templeton Tours reserves the right to pass along fuel surcharges or additional taxes imposed by the airline.

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## Whitson/Brown Holy Land Tour Registration Form - September 5 - 14, 2023

Tour# 30905

Enclosed is my payment of \$250 per person by  check or  credit card as a deposit for the \$5,195 per person tour from Charlotte, NC  
 For an additional fee, please arrange my air transportation from my local airport of: \_\_\_\_\_ (city/state).  
Single Passenger-Choose one:  Single Occupant - additional \$1295.00  Please assign me a roommate.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name as it appears on your Passport Date of Birth \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Nametag Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home (\_\_\_\_\_) Work (\_\_\_\_\_) Email \_\_\_\_\_

My roommate(s): \_\_\_\_\_ (if sending in a separate registration form)

Emergency Contact: Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home (\_\_\_\_\_) Work (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and agree to the Tour Conditions as stated above. \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature)

**Credit card payments will be accepted for the \$250 per person deposit. Additional payments will be subject to a 3% fee.**

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ CSC \_\_\_\_\_ Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_  
(Master Card, VISA, or Discover) (month/year) (security code on back)

I agree to the conditions as stated above and authorize TTI to charge my credit card. \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature