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CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) CENTRAL ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION

THE HOLY LAND

A Pre-Easter Visit

February 7 - 16, 2012

February 7 - Tuesday - DEPART

Today you embark on your Journey to the Holy Land. Prepare yourself for a life-changing experience as you depart from DIA on scheduled carriers on your overnight flight to Israel. Get some rest on the flight as tomorrow you will be walking where Jesus walked! (D)

February 8 - Wednesday - TEL AVIV

You arrive this morning at Ben Gurion Airport where you will be met by your Israeli guide who will accompany you during your entire Holy Land journey. Leaving Tel Aviv behind, you travel northward by motorcoach to your hotel for one night in the coastal area near Tel Aviv. The remainder of the day is free to walk along the Mediterranean, relax, and have dinner. The time is right for a personal devotional with the sunset over the "Great Sea". Enjoy a time of prayer of thanks for this gift of travel, the special blessings ahead, for the people of this land and a good night's rest. (B/D)

February 9 - Thursday - CAESAREA, MEGIDDO & NAZARETH

After breakfast, you travel by private motorcoach long the coast of the Mediterranean Sea to Caesarea, where Gentiles first heard the Good News from Peter and were baptized. You'll see the Roman Amphitheatre, hippodrome, a film on history and remains of this famous port city and aqueduct, and then journey on to Mt. Carmel, where Elijah challenged King Ahab and the prophets of Baal. You will travel then through the Jezreel Valley to Megiddo, the Armageddon Battlefield, where archaeologists have unearthed twenty levels of civilization. Your drive continues through the area of Cana and Nazareth, the boyhood home of Jesus, where you visit the Nazareth Village - - a wonderful recreation of Biblical times with costumed guides. You will have dinner and overnight lodging for the next two nights in the Tiberias area on the Sea of Galilee. (B/D)

February 10 - Friday - CAPERNAUM, DAN, CAESAREA PHILIPPI & MOUNT OF BEATITUDES

Following breakfast, your morning travels take you to two valuable northern sites. Dan is where the children of Israel fell to the depths of pagan worship and Caesarea Phillipi, the site of Peter's Confession. In Capernaum you will visit the ruins of an ancient syna-

gogue and Peter's home. You then travel on to the site of the possible multiplication of loaves and fishes in Bethsaida and the Mount of the Beatitudes overlooking the Sea. After viewing the ancient Fisherman Boat and an operating Kibbutz, enjoy a relaxing cruise on the Sea of Galilee. A brief scripture reading and devotional onboard brings to life the experience of Jesus and the fishermen disciples, concluding a wonderful day in the Holy Land. (B/D)

February 11 - Saturday - JORDAN RIVER BAPTISM SITES, BETH SHEAN & DEAD SEA

Your day begins with an opportunity for baptism at the Jordan River Baptismal site. Traveling southward to Beit-Shean/Scythopolis, the most magnificent archeological site in Israel, located at the strategic juncture of the Jezreel and Jordan valleys. Like Jericho, it has been almost continuously occupied throughout history. After defeating Saul and his sons on Mt. Gilboa, the Philistines hanged their bodies on the walls of Beit-Shean. During the time of Jesus, Scythopolis was one of the chief cities of the Decapolis - - a league of ten cities sharing Greek culture and government. Following the fertile Jordan Valley southward, your guide will point out the agricultural restoration of the "Land of Milk and Honey," the Kibbutz system and Israel's intricate irrigation development. You pass ancient Jericho, view from a distance this city famed as the oldest in the world, before coming to Bethany Beyond the Jordan, the place where Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist, where Elijah and Elisha crossed the Jordan as well as the area where the children of Israel led by Joshua entered the Promised Land. Your lodging for the evening is at the Dead Sea - - the lowest place on earth. Spend time in the special spa and enjoy a dip in the Dead Sea for a relaxing float before dinner. (B/D)

February 12 - Sunday - MASADA, EIN GEDI, DEAD SEA SCROLLS & ABRAHAM'S TENT

Start the day with a cable-car ride to the mountaintop fortress of Masada. Here your guide will treat you to the history of the famous zealot stand. Afterwards proceed to Ein Gedi, "Spring of the Goat", an oasis on the western shore of the Dead Sea. Because of its warm climate and abundant supply of water, the site developed a reputation for its fragrant plants and date palm groves. This is where King David hid from Saul and where God defeated the enemies of the Israelites by praise and worship led by King Jehoshaphat. Next, you'll visit the Qumran Caves where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered. This afternoon take part in the Genesis Land/Dinner in Abraham's Tent, where you enjoy a trip back in time: a reliving of life in the time of the Patriarchs, complete with costume, dramatic presentation, camel ride and authentic food. Your lodging for the next four nights will be in historic Jerusalem. (B/D)

February 13 - Monday - JERUSALEM, BIBLE TIMES & HOLOCAUST MUSEUM

This morning visit the Temple Mount, with commentary on the Temple Periods and the variety of belief systems, past and present, that make this area so valuable. From here you will also be able to see the Pool of Bethesda, Stephen's Gate and St. Ann's Church. Passing by the Protestant Cemetery, you visit the "Upper Room" just outside the Zion Gate where the disciple whom Jesus loved laid his head on His breast and where later

Thomas cried, "my Lord and my God". An interesting and educational time awaits you at the Israeli Museum. Walk through collections of centuries-old Israeli artifacts including the Dead Sea Scrolls and then a guided walk through an accurately-detailed model of Biblical Jerusalem will help to prepare you for what you will experience in the following days. You conclude the day with a visit to Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Museum, for a needed reminder of what the Jews have suffered as a people through the ages.

(B/D)

February 14 - Tuesday - JESUS' STEPS, THE LAST DAYS & MESSIANIC LECTURE

Today you walk where Jesus walked; beginning the day with a panoramic view of the city, Mount Moriah and the Dome of the Rock from atop the Mount of Olives and then the Garden of Gethsemane. How many have wished to be whisked back in time to get a glimpse of our Lord or hear His voice if only for a moment? To walk between the ancient olive trees, read the scriptures of Jesus' prayer and take time for personal reflection is important here. Next you visit the House of Caiaphas where Jesus was beaten and spit upon. See a pit where he may have been held for the evening and the ancient hillside steps he walked as he was taken to be condemned. On your way into the city you will visit the Wailing Wall and then the fascinating Rabbinical Tunnels leading you through the second temple era. The tunnel and exhibit give a clear understanding of the amazing construction of the Temple Mount, giant stones, water supply and Roman street where our Lord was led to judgment. Before exiting the tunnel you see the immense cornerstone rejected by the builders. Move on to the Judgment Hall of Pilate and hear of those who conspired against Him and be reminded of His brutal beating and humiliation. This evening you'll enjoy a special lecture by a local believer prior to dinner, giving you a perspective of Messianic life in Israel.

(B/D)

February 15 - Wednesday - WAY OF SUFFERING, GARDEN TOMB, PENTECOST & BETHLEHEM

While walking along the Via Dolorosa, you are minded of His way of suffering along with your visit to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Your guide will explain the differing opinions on the route that Christ was led. The actual place of crucifixion and burial is a very interesting study. The climax of the day is the area of Golgotha (place of the skull) and the Garden Tomb, where you will celebrate the resurrection with communion and a time of praise. This afternoon visit the Southern Wall Excavations. This southern side of The Temple was the main entrance for the common folk, whereas the Priests and Levites had their own entrance from the higher eastern side. Parts of the giant stairs, which led to the Temple Mount from the courtyard have been unearthed along with the purification pools. From here Jesus entered the Temple Mount and drove out the vendors and money exchangers who were exploiting the people. It is also likely that this is the place that Peter stood and preached and where thousands were saved and baptized on the Day of Pentecost. Here you will enjoy a challenge from God's Word and a song before an optional time in the afternoon. Those who wish may stay in the city marketplace for shopping while others may choose to spend the remainder of the day surrounding the birth of

Christ with a visit to Bethlehem.

(B/D)

February 16 - Thursday - HOME

Too soon this journey of a lifetime is concluded as you travel very early this morning to the airport in Tel Aviv and board your flight back to the United States. You return home in early evening with precious memories of travel experiences for a lifetime of reflection.

SAMPLE HOTELS ON THE TOUR:

**Blue Bay Hotel - Netanya (1 Night)
Ma'agan Kibbutz - Tiberias (2 Nights)
Leonardo - Dead Sea (1 Night)
Leonardo - Jerusalem (4 Nights)**

PRICE:

6 - 9 Participants	\$3,649 pp
10 - 19 Participants	\$3,555 pp
20 - 29 Participants	\$3,179 pp
30 - 39 Participants	\$3,089 pp
40 - 49 Participants	\$3,139 pp
Single Supplement	\$600

PRICE INCLUDES:

Roundtrip economy airfare from Denver; lodging in first-class hotels (double occupancy); baggage handling at the hotels (one piece of luggage); breakfast and dinner daily; all sightseeing and admissions as per the itinerary; services of a professional tour escort/scholar throughout the itinerary; and travel by air-conditioned deluxe motorcoach throughout the itinerary.

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

All lunches; tips to driver, guides and hotel staff (\$72.00 pp recommended); optional credit card payments (3% bank fee for our Pennsylvania vendor); optional travel insurance; over-sized/overweight/excess baggage fees imposed by the air carrier; and items of a personal nature.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

August 1, 2011	\$300 pp
November 1, 2011	\$500 pp
January 6, 2012	\$500 pp
February 6, 2012	Balance Due