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Our Tour Itinerary (Plan A)

JORDAN - ISRAEL – PALESTINE – EGYPT

DAY 01: - AMMAN - MOUNT NEBO



Meet & assist upon arrival to **AMMAN Q.A.I.A Airport.** Complete Immigration & Customs procedures, then proceed to visit **MOUNT NEBO**, Ten minutes west of Madaba (the city of Mosaics), Greek Orthodox Church of St. George, the final destination in the life of the Prophet Moses, the 'friend of God', Though the location of his tomb remains unknown, From, Mt. Nebo's Wind-swept promontory view the Dead Sea, the Jordan Valley and the hills of Jerusalem. This is from where Moses viewed the Promised Land that he would never enter. Transfer to Hotel Overnight at Amman.

DAY 02: - AMMAN - NAZARETH - CANA



After breakfast, proceed to the 'HOLY LAND' through SHAIKH HUSSAIN bridge to cross the border of JORDAN, complete the Customs & Immigration formalities, and then enter into ISRAEL. Our guide will receive you & will proceed to Nazareth. where Jesus spent his Childhood with Joseph and Mary. Visit Church of the Annunciation, where Angel Gabriel announced the approaching birth to the Virgin Mary, Mary's House, and Joseph's Workshop. Visit to Cana, where we renew our marriages vows at the place were Jesus performed his first miracle of changing water into wine. Enroute to Tiberias view MT. Tabor, then back to hotel for Dinner & overnight stay at **TIBERIAS or NAZARETH**.

DAY 03 :- SEA OF GALILEE – MOUNT OF BEATITUDE , CAPERNAUM



After breakfast, we proceed to visit Mount of Beatitude where Jesus preached the Sermon on the Mount, visit to Capernaum where we visit Jesus synagogue and the house of St Peter, proceed to the Primacy of Peter, where Jesus appeared to his disciples after the resurrection and where he performed the miraculous catch of 153 fish and conferred Church authority upon Peter. Continue on to Tabgha, the traditional site of the multiplication of loaves and fish, We will take a Boat Ride on the Sea of Galilee followed by a special Buffet Lunch of the most famous St. Peter's Fish. Then to Jordan River to see the Traditional Baptismal site of Jesus. Visit the Mother Church of the Carmelite Order and Elijah's Cave. Dinner & overnight stay.

DAY 04: - Mt. Tabor-Haifa Caesarea – Telaviv (Jaffa) Bethlehem



Early Morning we Check Out and will leave for Mt. Tabor to visit the Church of Transfiguration, after which we move on to the City of Haifa to visit Mount Carmel and Stella Maris before heading towards Tel Aviv the Commercial Capital of Israel along the shore of Sharon Valley. After Lunch we proceed to see the Wall of the Crusaders and the Roman Aqueduct in Caesarea which serve as a Backdrop to the Book of Acts. Then to Peter's Church, the House of Simon and Old City of Jaffa and moving towards Bethlehem for our Overnight Stay.

Day 5: JERUSALEM - VIA DOLOROSA – GOLGOTHA. – WAILING WALL-BETHANY



After breakfast, we go to the Old City of JERUSALEM. Visit to the Bethesda Pool, where Jesus healed the paralytic man walk through the church of condemnation and Flagellation, where we begin the via Dolorosa, The name of via Dolorosa (or Via Cruces) is relatively recent; when a name was sought for the stretch of road, between the fortress Antonia and Golgotha, along which Christ walked bowed under the weight of the cross. Monastery of the Flagellation, where Jesus was guestioned by Pilate and then condemned. Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged him, and the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head and they put him in a purple robe, And said, Hail, King of the Jews! Then they smote him with their hands Arch of Ecce Homo, in memory of the words pronounced by Pilate as he showed JESUS to the crowd, Erected under Hadrian (135 AD) to celebrate the capture of Jerusalem. The Third Station commemorates Christ's first fall on the Via Dolorosa. The place is marked by a small chapel belonging to the Armenian Catholic Patriarchate.

The meeting between Jesus and his mother is commemorated by a small oratory with an exquisite lunette over the entrance, adorned by a bas-relief carved by the Polish artist Zieliensky. An inscription on the architrave of one door recalls the encounter between Jesus and Simon the Cyrenian, Greek Catholics preserves the memory of the meeting between JESUS and Veronica whose tomb may also be seen her. The place of JESUS 'second fall is marked by a pillar, which rises at the crossroads between the Via Dolorosa and the picturesque and lively Market Street. On the outer wall of a Greek Orthodox monastery is carved a small cross blackened by time. It was that point that Jesus met the pious women. The third fall of Jesus is commemorated by a column of the Roman period at the entrance to the Coptic monastery. The last five Stations of the Cross are situated inside the Holy Sepulcher. Follow the footsteps of our Lord JESUS on his way to Calvary, culminating the journey to Golgotha and the place of the tomb itself – the Church of the HOLY sepulcher. Lunch enroute, and then visit St. Mark Convent the traditional site where Mary went to sleep after Cruzification, the Last Supper Room – where we remember the Last Supper and the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles on Pentecost. Thereafter walk to the Domitian Abby and the traditional site of the Tomb of King David and the other Upper room. Later we visit to the Western Wailing Wall considered to be the holiest site for the Jews. And Onwards to Bethany - The house of Martha, Mary and Lazarus (Lazarus Tomb Later back to hotel for overnight stay & dinner.

DAY 06: - BETHLEHEM – EIN KAREM – MOUNT OF OLIVES - -GETHSEMANE and JERICHO



After breakfast, visit to Bethlehem, the Shepherd's Field and the church of Nativity – the Birthplace of the Lord Jesus -. Visit St. Jerome's Grotto where the Bible was translated from Hebrew. Visit Mount of Olives, the Church of Ascension and to have a panoramic view of Jerusalem. Then visit to Church of Peter Noster. Descend to Dominus Flevit where Jesus wept over Jerusalem; proceed to the garden of Gethsemane, Basilica of the Agony and the tomb of St. Mary. kept in the dungeon.

Visit the traditional House of Caipas where Peter denied Jesus thrice and where Jesus was We then Proceed for Lunch at Jericho and see the Sycamore Tree and view the Mount of Temptation and then to Dead Sea. Where we will be hosted on a Private Beach all Entrance Fees are Borne by Us. You can float in the Dead Sea, cover yourself with the medicinal mud, and Float and Relax in the Evening on our route back to the Hotel we visit to Ein Karem, Mary's Springs one of the most beautiful settings near Jerusalem, located in the hills next to a little spring. Through a small Judean village, Then back to hotel for Dinner & overnight stay at Bethlehem

DAY 07 :- TABA BORDER RED SEA SINAI AND St. CATHERINE'S MONASTERY



After Early Breakfast we Proceed to Qumran and Red Sea. Then proceed to Egypt – TABA Border Complete Customs & Immigration Procedures of **ISRAEL** & proceed to Egypt Customs & Immigration. After completing the procedures Our guide will receive you from the Egypt Border to continue the '**HOLYLAND TOUR'** to Egypt. From TABA border after LUNCH we keep proceeding, to St. Catherine Monastery through Sinai. View the beautiful and historical Sinai Mountains enroot. Where mosses and the Tribe moved around for 40 Years to find the way to the Holy land and a Sight Truly seen to be believed, Check in to our hotel at St. Catherine. Dinner & Overnight stay at St. Catherine.

DAY 08 : ST.CATHERINE - CAIRO



After breakfast, check out from the hotel, then visit to St. Catherine Monastery World's Oldest Christian Monastery and World's Smallest Diocese, The **Chapel of the Burning Bush** was built with its altar situated above the roots of the bush and incorporates the 4th-century chapel built by Empress St. Helena. The chapel is dedicated to the Virgin Mary. Set beneath the mountain where Moses is said to have received the "TEN COMMANDMENTS'. After Seeing the Burning Bush and the Monastery Lunch enroot We then proceed to CAIRO crossing the famous SUEZ CANAL. Transfer to the Famous World Class NILE CRUISE WITH DINNER, then Transfer to hotel for overnight.

DAY 09: - CAIRO - INDIA



After early morning breakfast and, we visit the famous Pyramids the Sphinx and visit to Coptic Church and the Holy Crypt where the Holy Family is supposed to have stayed. Traditionally it begins with the visit of Holy Family to Egypt. The Holy Family consisting of the Infant Jesus, Mary and Joseph traveled to Egypt and lived there for some time. We then move for some Shopping of Perfumes, Afternoon transfer to Airport to take flight back to India