



18-24 November 2025

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THE **HOLYLAND**

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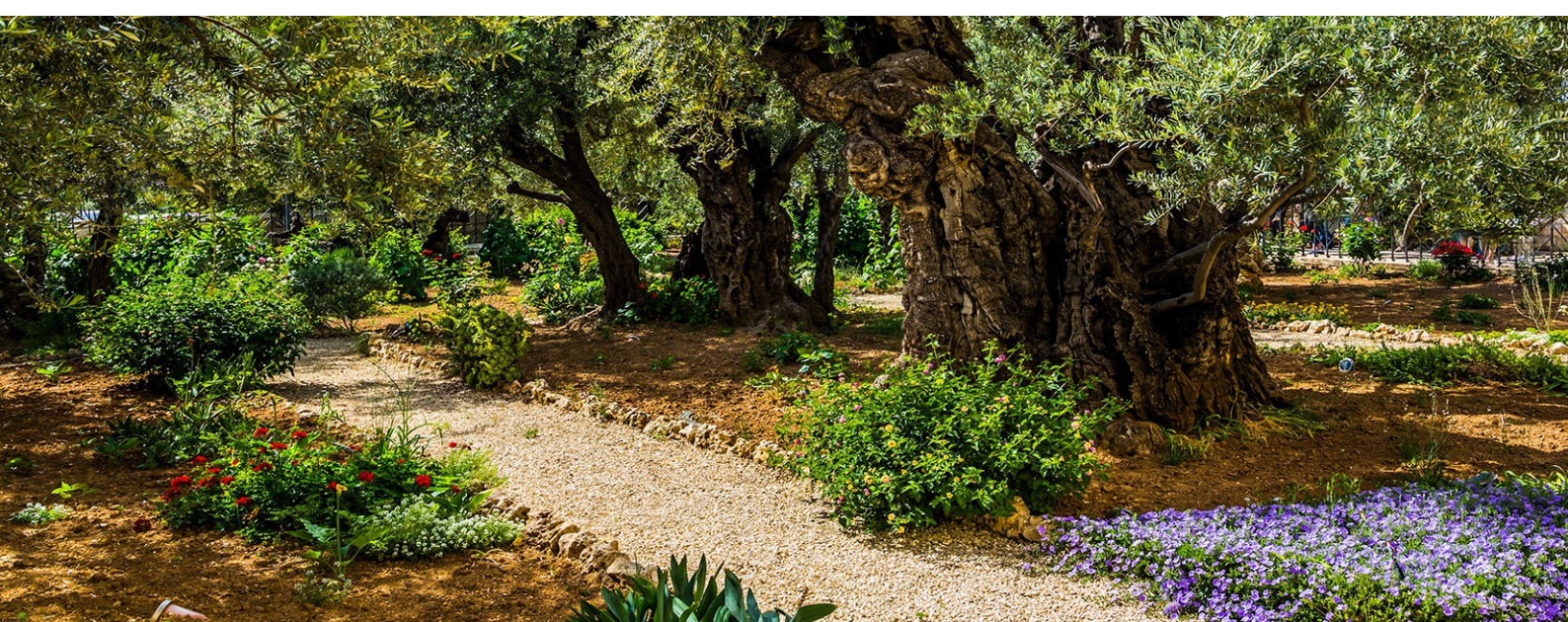


Institute for Black Solidarity with Israel Leadership Mission

Drive to Jerusalem to check in to the hotel.

8:00PM Meeting over dinner with **Naftali Aklum**, a prominent leader in the Ethiopian Israeli community.

Dinner & Overnight: Cassia Hotel, Jerusalem



Wednesday
19 November 2025

THE MOSIAC OF JERUSALEM

Breakfast at hotel

Start the day at the crest of the **Mt. of Olives** for a breath-taking panorama of the Old City, an in-depth explanation, and a photo-op. Walk down the so-called '**Palm Sunday Road**' (Matt. 21). to the **Garden of Gethsemane**, with its incredibly ancient olive grove. It was here, it is believed, that Jesus prayed before his arrest (Matt. 26).

We visit the **Pools of Bethesda**, where Jesus told the lame man to "take up your mat and walk" (John 5). The 12th-century **St. Anne's Church** is famous for its amazing acoustics.

Walk along the **Via Dolorosa** to **The Church of the Holy Sepulcher**.

Walking through the Old City, we are drawn to **The Western Wall**, the holiest site in the Jewish tradition. The ancient Kotel, once a

retaining wall for King Herod's magnificent temple, now gathers people from around the world in prayer and celebration.

3:00PM Proceed to the over 3,000 year old **City of David** for a VIP tour descending 'Behind the scene' into the excavations of the Pilgrim's road (not yet open to the public). Exit through the Pilgrim's Passage, walking in the footsteps of Jesus from the Pool of Siloam at the Southern Steps of the Temple Mount where Jesus walked so often. Continue to the Davidson Archaeological Center with the **Southern Wall** and Robinson's Arch

Dinner & Overnight: Cassia Hotel, Jerusalem



Thursday
20 November 2025

MEMORIES NEAR AND FAR

Breakfast at hotel

Join the morning celebration of the **Sigd** holiday commemorating the acceptance of the Torah by the Ethiopian Jewish community. Sigd is also important symbol of the great yearning of the Ethiopian community to come to Jerusalem – a yearning that held communities together over generations. Many Ethiopians who immigrated to Israel recall the strength that the dream of aliyah gave to them, supporting each difficult step on the road they walked and trekked, until its realization upon arrival.

1:30PM Share a meaningful private escorted visit to **Yad Vashem**, Israel's official Holocaust Museum, dedicated to the memory of the victims and honoring the survivors. The visit is enriched with a pause at the moving Children's Memorial and a walk along the inspirational Avenue of the Righteous.

Just outside the walls of the old city, visit historic **Mount Zion** with **Caiaphas' House**, the traditional Upper Room - site of the Last

Supper as well as **The Cenotaph of King David**.

Dinner & Overnight: Cassia Hotel, Jerusalem



Friday

21 November 2025

BEAR WITNESS

Breakfast at hotel

Depart Jerusalem heading Southwards. Stop at the **Nahal Oz** look-out, dedicated to the female IDF soldiers, who served as Field Observers who were murdered on October 7, 2023.

Continue your journey to the site of the **Nova Music Festival**, which has transformed into a poignant living memorial for those who lost their lives on October 7. Possible meeting with a survivor to hear personal accounts.

Possible visit to **Rimon Farms** close to the Gaza Border. This amazing agricultural educational-therapeutic farms were set up to rehabilitate and strengthen communities surrounding the Gaza Strip and offer them community anchors. Providing vital therapy for youth at risk and IDF veterans.

Return to Jerusalem.

Welcome the **Sabbath** at the hotel with prayers, reflection and dinner

Dinner & Overnight: Cassia Hotel, Jerusalem



Saturday
22 November 2025

HEAVENLY & EARTHY

After breakfast, check out the hotel.

9:15AM Our pilgrimage of Jerusalem climaxes at the tranquil **Garden Tomb**, believed by many Christians to be the site of Calvary and the tomb of Jesus. Engaging explanations by a local guardian are followed by Communion

Depart Jerusalem, drive north to **Caesarea**, built by Herod the Great as a major port city. Here Peter converted Cornelius (Acts 10) and Paul was imprisoned and defended his faith (Acts 25, 26). Visit the ancient Roman theater, read scripture, and stroll along the Mediterranean shore.

Travel to **Mt. Carmel**, to the site known as **Mukhraka**, where Elijah confronted and confounded the false prophets of Baal (I Kings 18). The rooftop gives a stunning panoramic view of the Jezreel Valley, **Megiddo** identified with “Armageddon” of Revelation 16, the arena of the great end-time battle.

4:15 PM End the day with ride on the **Sea of Galilee in a boat** inspired by the ancient fishing vessels of the time of Jesus. We will cut the engines off-shore for some worshipful moments.

Check in to the Kibbutz Hotel.

Dinner & Overnight: Kibbutz Nof Ginnosar, Sea of Galilee



Sunday

25 November 2019

AROUND THE SEA OF GALILEE

Breakfast at hotel

Read the “Sermon on the Mount” on the **Mount of Beatitudes**, the traditional site overlooking the Sea of Galilee (Matt. 5, 6, 7). These profound passages contain the essence of Jesus’ ethical teachings]

Take some contemplative time on the lake shore at **Tabgha** (the so-called “Primacy” site), identified with the reappearance of Jesus after his resurrection (John 21), and the trust he bestowed on Peter (“feed my sheep”)

Visit **Capernaum**, the town Jesus chose as the base of his Galilean ministry. The large, partially restored ancient synagogue was built a long time after Jesus, but it evokes the teachings described in the Gospels. Followed by a **St Peter's Fish lunch** by the Sea of Galilee.

A highlight of this day is our visit to **Yardenit**, a beautiful site on the **Jordan River**, with an opportunity for baptism – or affirmation of baptism. (There are changing facilities.)

3:30PM Visit an **Aliyah Center** that offers a “soft landing” for **new immigrants** as they begin their integration into Israeli life. These centers support thousands of **Ethiopian Olim** each year through Hebrew lessons, cultural orientation, job training, and community activities. In Tiberias, meet residents, share in a traditional *Buna coffee ceremony*, and join an early Hanukkah celebration.

6:30 PM Meet with **Lieutenant Colonel (Res.) Sarit Zehavi**, to hear about life in northern Israel and the challenges of a community living on the border. This will include a **Geopolitical** overview and **Security briefing** at the hotel

Dinner & Overnight: Kibbutz Nof Ginnosar, Sea of Galilee



Monday

25 November 2019

UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

Breakfast at hotel, followed by check out.

8:00AM Visit the first century fishing village of **Magdala**, the home of Mary Magdalene, with ruins of the ancient synagogue and a new church built on the site, simple in design but rich in mosaics and murals.

Depart the area driving southwards to the center of the country.

11:00AM Possible meeting with **Shiri Fein Grossman**, CEO of Israel-Africa Institute.

Possible Lunch with Combat Anti-Semitism Movement

Stop for a panoramic view, tour and scriptural reading in **Old Jaffa*** (Joppa), where Jonah boarded a ship (1:3), and Peter restored Tabitha and had his rooftop vision (Acts 9, 10).

4:00PM Visit **Save A Child's Heart**, an organization dedicated to help children all over the world, suffering from heart deficiency.

Farewell dinner before departing to the airport. TBA

8:10PM check in for your international flight.

11:10PM Depart Israel on United Airlines Flight # 091.