

# Comfort Ye, Comfort Ye My People Solidarity Mission to Israel

October 19 -27, 2025 Subject to Change

# Sunday October 19 BRUCHIM HABAIM – WELCOME TO ISRAEL!

- Head north to our guest house overlooking the Sea of Galilee (Kinneret)
- Opening program and <u>dinner</u> at the guest house

Overnight: Ohalo Manor, Sea of Galilee

## Monday October 20 THE MINISTRY OF JESUS AT THE SEA OF GALILEE

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Explore the Ministry of Jesus in the area of the ancient Jewish fishing villages at the Sea of Galilee.
- Visit Capernaum, the home base of the ministry of Jesus and consider how a Jewish fishing village became an important site of Christian pilgrimage.
- At the **Mt of Beatitudes**, remember the teachings of Jesus
- Lunch on your own
- See the 2,000-year-old Sea of Galilee fishing boat found by members of Kibbutz Ginosar
- Sail the Sea of Galilee
- Dinner at the guest house

Overnight: Ohalo Manor, Sea of Galilee

## Tuesday October 21 THE JORDAN RIVER VALLEY

- Breakfast at the guest house
- Pack bus and depart
- Visit and volunteer at CFOIC projects in Jewish communities in the Jordan River Valley
- Lunch on your own
- Security overview of Israel's border with the Kingdom of Jordan
- Head to the Quasr El Yahud Baptismal site at the Jordan River, associated with the entry of Joshua & the tribes of Israel into Canaan, the ascent of Elijah in the fiery chariot and the baptism of Jesus by John. Those who wish to may be baptized
- Ascend to Jerusalem, stopping for magnicent views of the city from Mt. Of Olives
- Dinner at the hotel

**Overnight:** Prima Royale Hotel, Jerusalem

### Wednesday October 22 RESILIENCE IN THE FACE OF TERROR

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Head south to the Gaza Perimeter communities. The Jewish towns, villages and kibbutzim bordering Hamas controlled Gaza have long been considered to be amongst the most resilient and optimistic communities in Israel, having never given up despite enduring decades of bombardment and attacks. Their lives were shattered on October 7, 2023 by the barbaric, murderous attacks from Gaza.

- In **Sederot**, we'll look out over the **Gaza border** to better understand the geography and history of the area. *Sederot*, the closest urban community to the Gaza Border has endured decades of missile attacks from Gaza and the Hamas terror attack on October 7 left dozens dead and injured.
- Lunch on your own
- Visit and bear witness at the "Car Memorial" and at the site of the Nova Music Festival where hundreds of civilians were massacred by Hamas terrorists on October 7
- At the Gush Katif Heritage Center we will learn about the thriving Jewish communities which were uprooted and destroyed in 2005 by the "disengagement" decision of the Israeli government and the disastrous consequences of that decision.
- Return to Jerusalem for <u>dinner</u> at the hotel.

Overnight: Prima Royale Hotel, Jerusalem

#### Thursday October 23 AND THE CHILDREN SHALL RETURN...

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Head north to **Samaria (Shomron)** the Biblical Heartland
- Study session with CFOIC International President Sondra Baras
- Visit and volunteer work at a Jewish community in the Shormron
- Lunch hosted by CFOIC
- Explore Jewish roots going back thousands of years at Tel Shiloh which served as the home of the mishkan (Tabernacle) and spiritual center of the Tribes of Israel over 3,000 years ago.
- Continue to Ofra for a visit and program at the Lev Binyamin Center which provides a warm and welcoming home for adults and children with disabilities - and their families.
- Return to Jerusalem for dinner and evening on your own

Overnight: Prima Royale Hotel, Jerusalem

# Friday October 24 JERUSALEM THE HOLY THROUGH THE AGES

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Step back 3,000 years to the days of King David and the days of the First Temple at the latest archeological finds at the City of David (the original Jerusalem)
- At the Davidson Southern Temple Mount Archeological Park step back 2,000 years to the days
  of the Second Temple. Examine the centrality of the Temple experience.
- Private prayer and contemplation time at the Kotel (Western Wall)
- Lunch and shopping time on your own in the Old City
- Return to the hotel to prepare for Shabbat
- Head to Efrat for Shabbat prayer services at a local synagogue followed by home hospitality
   Shabbat dinner

Overnight: Prima Royale Hotel, Jerusalem

# Saturday October 25 SHABBAT SHALOM

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Communion at the **Garden Tomb** where we remember the Crucifixion and Resurrection in a beautiful garden setting which calls to mind "the place of the skull" (*Golgotha*).
- Relax and float in the **Dead Sea**, the lowest place on earth and have lunch
- Return to Jerusalem for dinner and evening on your own

**Overnight:** Prima Royale Hotel, Jerusalem

## Sunday October 26 THE JUDEAN HEARTLAND

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Head to Gush Etzion where we will meet residents and see CFOIC projects
- At the Kfar Etzion Heritage Center we'll see the multi-media presentation about the Jewish presence in this vital area between Hevron & Jerusalem
- Visit a Jewish community in the hills of Judea where we will meet residents, see CFOIC projects and have lunch hosted by CFOIC
- Continue to Hevron visit the Machpelah Complex which marks the burial place of the Biblical Patriarchs & Matriarchs
- At the Kiryat Arba Museum, learn about the history and archeology of the Hevron area
- Return to Jerusalem for dinner at the hotel

**Overnight:** Prima Royale Hotel, Jerusalem

## Monday October 27 IF I FORGET THEE O JERUSALEM...

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Pack bus and depart to the Haas Promenade for an overview of Jerusalem
- Visit **Mt Zion**, traditional site of the Tomb of King David, the Last Supper and the Pentecost where Jewish and Christian traditions overlap and intersect.
- Lunch and shopping time on your own in the Old City
- Head to the Tower of David Museum to learn about Jerusalem through the ages
- Group bus drop offs at Ben Gurion International Airport and Sadot Hotel
- Dinner on your own
  - > Listed activities and speakers are subject to confirmation.
  - Program will be staffed by a Keshet Israel Tour Educator
  - ➤ All <u>underlined meals</u> are included in the package price.



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