

Pilgrimage to the

# HOLY LAND

with Fr. Joseph Gates



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# WHAT'S THE COST? Land Only \$3,295.00 Group Air \$1,000.00 Total Trip Cost \$4,295.00 Solo Traveler (Additional Cost) \$995.00

Prices are valid only if the deposit is received no later than July 24, 2023

Prices are per person

Final payment due September 9, 2023

Tour Code: 23JA11HLJG





This itinerary was created taking into account the "Holy Land Pilgrimage Guidelines" of the United States
Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).

#### **ITINERARY**

#### ੈ Wednesday, November 8, Day 1: DEPART USA

Depart on an overnight flight to Tel Aviv from Tampa Airport. Breakfast and dinner will be served on the flight. Premium economy and business class airfare quotes are available upon written request.

#### Thursday, November 9, Day 2: ARRIVAL IN TEL AVIV - CAESAREA MARITIMA

Upon arrival in Tel Aviv, we pass through Immigration and Customs, collect our luggage and proceed to the Arrivals Hall. Here we will be met by our English-speaking Christian Tour Guide, who will accompany our group for the entire trip to the Holy Land. We proceed to the Sea of Galilee, where we settle into our hotel for a good night of rest. Dinner and overnight at our hotel at the Sea of Galilee (D)

#### Friday, November 10, Day 3: NAZARETH - MT. PRECIPICE - CANA

Today, we explore Nazareth, the town of Mary's home, where Jesus played as a child, learned a trade, and grew to manhood. We visit Mary's Well and St. Joseph's Church. Mass will be celebrated at the Basilica of the Annunciation, where St. John Paul II celebrated Mass during his historic visit to the Holy Land in the Year of Our Lord 2000. We stop at Mt. Precipice, where we have a great view of the Jezreel Valley and from where the angry crowd wanted to throw Jesus off the mountain for his teachings. We visit Cana, where couples may choose to renew their wedding vows at the Wedding Church. Overnight at the Sea of Galilee. (B, D)

#### Saturday, November 11, Day 4: THE SEA AND THE SHORES OF THE GALILEE

We start the morning with a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee and visit the "Jesus Boat," a boat from the time of Jesus. We see Magdala, home of St. Mary Magdalene. Mass is celebrated at the Mt. of Beatitudes. We enjoy St. Peter's Fish for lunch before departing for Capernaum, where Jesus began His Galilean ministry. Here we explore the synagogue, which dates to the time of Christ. We visit the church with a glass floor constructed over the site where St. Peter's home once stood. Below the glass, we can see the excavated ruins of Peter's house. Next, we visit the Church of the Primacy of Peter, situated on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, where after His Resurrection, Jesus met with his disciples and told Peter, "Feed my lambs; feed my sheep' (John 21:9). Our last stop is the Church of Multiplication of Loaves and Fishes, commemorating where Jesus fed the crowd of 5,000. Overnight at the Sea of Galilee (B, L, D)

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We start the day celebrating Mass on Mt. Tabor at the Church of Transfiguration, where Jesus transfigured before Peter, James, and John. Our next stop is the ancient Roman ruins of Beit She'an near Mt. Gilboa, where Saul and his son died in the battle with the Philistines. Continue to Bethlehem and check into our hotel. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Bethlehem. (B, D)

#### 아 Monday, November 13, Day 6: BETHLEHEM – SHARING THE BREAD DINNER

Our first stop this morning is the Church of the Nativity built over the Grotto, where Our Lord Jesus Christ was born. Next door, we visit St. Catherine Church and the Grotto of St. Jerome, where we celebrate Mass. We continue with a visit to Shepherd's Field and Grotto. Following lunch on our own in a local restaurant, we shop at the Kando store, a co-op that employs over one hundred Christian families. Tonight we are welcomed into the homes of the local Christian families for a "Sharing the Bread Meal." Overnight in Bethlehem. (B, Special Dinner)

# Tuesday, November 14, Day 7: BETHANY – THE DEAD SEA – BAPTISMAL SITE – JERUSALEM

We visit Bethany to see the home of Mary, Martha, and Lazarus and to celebrate Mass at the Church of St. Lazarus. Driving through the Judean Desert, we arrive at Qasr Al Yehoud. This



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site holds the oldest and most ancient tradition for being the place of Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist in the River Jordan (Mathew, 3: 13-17). Later, we drive to the Dead Sea to take a dip in the salty waters and shop for Dead Sea products. Don't forget to pack a bathing suit! We then head to Jerusalem to check into our hotel. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B, L, D)

#### ि Wednesday, November 15, Day 8: MT. OF OLIVES – MT. ZION – JERUSALEM

This morning, we explore Ascension Chapel and visit the Church of Pater Noster, where Jesus taught The Lord's Prayer. Marvel at the panoramic view from the Mt. of Olives-appreciating the eternal golden city of Jerusalem. We walk along Palm Sunday Road, stopping at Dominus Flevit, where Jesus wept over the city. We continue along the Jewish cemetery with a view over the Eastern Gate. We have some quiet time in the Garden of Gethsemane and the Garden of Betrayal. Since the fourth century, tradition has placed the betrayal by Judas here. We celebrate Mass at the Basilica of Agony before visiting the empty tomb of the Virgin at The Church of the Assumption. Following lunch, we visit Caiaphas Palace and the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu. Our final stops of the day are Dormition Abbey and the Upper Room. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B, D)

#### Thursday, November 16, Day 9: VIA DOLOROSA - TEMPLE MOUNT - WAILING WALL

Start the day early by praying the Stations of the Cross along the Way of the Cross (Via Dolorosa). We are blessed to be able to celebrate Mass this morning at the Church Holy Sepulchre, the site where Jesus was crucified and buried. Return to the hotel for breakfast and some rest. Later this morning, visit the Temple Mount and the Dome of the Rock, holy sites for Muslims, and the Western Wall excavations. We tuck a prayer into the Wailing Wall, as did St. John Paul II, Pope Benedict, and Pope Francis before us during their trips to the Holy Land. Time at leisure in the Old City. Overnight in Jerusalem. (B, D)

#### Friday, November 17, Day 10: OLD TOWN JERUSALEM - EIN KAREM - EMMAUS

Following breakfast, we depart for St. Anne's Church and see the Pools of Bethesda, where Jesus healed the Paralytic. Proceed to Ein Karem to visit the Church of the Visitation. See Mary's Spring and the birthplace of John the Baptist. Mass will be celebrated here. In the afternoon, time permitting, we visit Emmaus, where Jesus appeared to the two disciples after the Resurrection. Our farewell dinner is at a local restaurant and includes wine. Overnight Jerusalem (B, Special Dinner)\*

#### Saturday, November 18, Day 11: ARRIVAL IN THE THE USA

This morning, we are transferred to the airport for our flight back to the USA. (B)

This active program requires walking twelve to fifteen thousand steps daily, often on uneven surfaces, cobblestones, and some stairs.



# YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES

- Roundtrip airfare from Tampa to Tel Aviv
- Airport taxes and fuel surcharges (subject to change)
- · First-class hotels
- Service charges and hotel taxes
- · Buffet breakfast daily
- · 2 restaurant lunches
- 7 hotel dinners at the hotels (standard 3-course menu, beverages available at an additional cost)
- 1 Sharing the Bread Dinner in Bethlehem
- 1 Farewell dinner in a restaurant with wine
- All transfers with a private A/C motor coach as per itinerary
- Professional English speaking tour director throughout
- Sightseeing tours as per itinerary
- Entrance fees included to sites specifically listed (outside view means no entrance is included)
- Luggage handling at hotels (one piece per person in/out)
- Select International Tours Travel Portfolio
- · Confirmation of daily Mass
- · Whisper sets
- We recommend you consider purchasing CFAR Travel Protection

#### **TIPPING**

 For the convenience of the pilgrims \$220.00 tip fund will be invoiced and collected in advance. Tip fund covers gratuities for the guide, driver, baggage handling, and restaurants for included meals

#### **RATES DO NOT INCLUDE**

- Personal expenses
- Medical Insurance
- Any items not explicitly mentioned in the listed inclusions
- Beverages at meals unless otherwise noted
- · Church donations

### BAGGAGE CHARGES NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP COST:

- Any airline baggage charges.
- Baggage handling at train stations, airports, and hotels in excess of one suitcase per person.
- Any charges incurred due to excessive luggage including the cost of an additional baggage vehicle or porterage charges



#### Important information regarding your trip:

#### Group Air:

Select International Tours is a tour company that specializes in group travel. A group is ten or more people traveling together. For each group we negotiate and secure group air contracts with all major airlines departing from the designated airport. This enables us to keep all passengers within a group traveling together, in most cases utilizing best air rates.

Group air contracts differ from individually purchased airline tickets in many ways. When group air contracts are negotiated, we deposit a certain number of seats to hold the space and GTD the rate. Unused seats must be released at least 90 days prior to departure to avoid a \$ 100.00 per unused seat penalty.

It is important to receive your registration by the deadline stated on the flyer. Once the seats are released back to the airlines, we may be able to accommodate passengers at a different air rate or on a different airline.

Group air contracts limit types of deviations allowed and in some cases issuing tickets at individual rates may be necessary. Individual rates & reservations are not GTD until the tickets are issued. In order to issue an individual ticket we must receive full payment. Taxes and fuel costs are subject to change until the tickets are issued.

#### **Domestic add-on tickets:**

We can assist you with domestic air to connect with our international group air if you wish. Indicate on the registration form which airport you wish us to research air from. We are not responsible for fees or charges incurred in case dates change or the trip is cancelled. However, when buying a domestic add-on ticket through Select we may be able to assist in case of changes.

We will provide you with best schedule to connect with the flight (we are not able to help you with tickets that do not connect directly to the international flight) and the best price we can offer. Our information will be sent to you by e-mail. We require an acceptance within 24 hours of our offer along with full payment otherwise the rate is subject to change based on availability. We cannot quote any domestic air requests more than twice.

#### **Business Class and Economy Plus Seats:**

We are happy to assist you with business class and economy plus seats. Passengers must be registered on one of our trips to receive a quote. We will quote the available rate which is subject to change until we receive payment to purchase the seats. Usually Economy Plus Seats require the group tickets to be issued before the ability to upgrade.

#### Passport and Visa information:

All airlines require us to submit valid passport information including full name (first, middle and last), date of birth, gender, country, in which your passport has been issued and passport expiration date. To ensure that we can provide this information accurately, we require a photo copy of each person's passport traveling on each tour. Your passport must be valid 6 months from the trip return date. It is the passenger's responsibility to check if visas are required for the destinations visited and to obtain any necessary travel documents. Select International Tours does not provide information or assistance about passports or visa requirements.

#### **Frequent Flyer Numbers:**

Select International cannot assist if you wish to reserve air using FF miles. We can update your record with Frequent Flyer #'s only if you note the number on the registration form. Otherwise please call the airline directly.

#### **Seat Requests & Seat Changes**

Select International Tours DOES NOT provide assistance with passenger's seating

preferences or specific seat requests. Due to the large number of passengers we work with, we are unable to provide this service unless the request is due to a medical issue. In this case, we will request a seat with the airline but cannot guarantee that the seat will be confirmed. Please understand that although requests are being made directly with the airline, not every request is guaranteed or granted by the airline. If you would like to have a seat number assigned, it is best to contact the airline directly upon receipt of your ticket confirmation # or change your seats at the time of check-in at the airport prior to departure.

#### "Land Only" (not purchasing group air with Select International Tour Package:

We understand that some passengers may wish to purchase their own air transportation. Arranging transportation on your own may give you the ability to use flight miles for your ticket, secure the seat you desire/require, or deviate from the group. We offer land only prices on all our tours.

Airport transfers are not provided for passengers purchasing land only (not purchasing air with us) if arriving or departing at any time different from the group. If you wish to enjoy the benefit of the group transfer, please be sure you are at the airport at the same time as the group. On certain itineraries airport transfers, may be very costly as the group may be traveling a far distance from the airport on the first or last day.

If the flight schedule you purchase arrives or departs at a time different from the group, it is your responsibility to join the group either at the airport or at the first hotel.

If you register for the air and land package and convert to land only, a \$ 100.00 service charge will be assessed should the change be made within 90 days of departure.

#### Flight cancellations or delays:

In case your flight is cancelled or delayed please work with the airline directly at the airport to be rebooked on the first available flight out. Once you know your new flight and time of arrival contact the emergency number provided in your travel documents to notify your guide of the delay. Your travel documents will contain an emergency number and the guide's phone. Any incurred costs are out of pocket and not included in the trip cost. The cost of private transfers in case of delays are not covered as part of your trip cost. You may file a claim with your Travel Protection Insurance company or with the airlines upon your return. Receipts will be required.

#### Single rooms:

A limited number of single rooms are available on each trip. If you wish to share a room let us know at the time of registration. We will attempt to connect you with another person looking to share. The cost of Travel Protection insurance will be adjusted to reflect the single supplement as insurance cost depends on total trip cost. Should we not be able to accommodate all single room requests and you are not able or willing to share, a complete refund will be provided.

If your roommate cancels, and the room is converted into single usage, a single supplement will be charged.

#### How much walking will there be on this trip?

This active program covers a good amount of ground each day. The days are busy, usually starting with a wake -up call around 7AM and departure by 9AM or earlier. We aim to be back at the hotel between 5PM and 6PM. Times may vary depending on destination and program.

Expect from three to four hours walking on some touring days. The pace is moderate, however you will encounter some uneven surfaces, stairs, steps, cobblestones, and significant slopes. Some tours require walking in the open air with no shade and no seating available.

Scroll to the end of the document for registration form





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#### TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN

#### SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE COVERAGE AND OTHER NON-INSURANCE SERVICES

Benefit	Maximum Benefit Amount		
Trip Cancellation**	up to 100% of the non-		
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Trip Interruption**	up to 150% of the non-		
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Single Supplement	Included		
Trip Delay – 6 hours	to a maximum of \$1,500 (up		
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Missed Tour or Cruise Connection	up to \$500		
Baggage & Personal Effects	up to \$1,500		
Baggage Delay – 24 hours	up to \$400		
Political or Security Evacuation and Natural	up to \$100,000		
Disaster Evacuation	up to \$100,000		
Emergency Accident & Sickness Medical	up to \$50,000		
Expense	ap to \$30,000		
Medical Evacuation & Repatriation of	up to \$150,000		
Remains Benefit	up to \$130,000		
Optional Cancel for Any Reason (CFAR)***	up to 75% of the non-		
	refundable insured Trip Cost*		
Non-Insurance Worldwide			
Emergency Assistance Services	Included		

Coverages may vary and not all coverage is available in all jurisdictions.

#### **PER PERSON RATES**

Cost of Trip	Rates	With CFAR*	Cost of Trip	Rates	With CFAR*
\$0-\$500	\$40	\$62	\$4,501-\$5,000	\$382	\$589
\$501-\$1,000	\$73	\$112	\$5,001-\$5,500	\$439	\$677
\$1,001-\$1,500	\$107	\$164	\$5,501-\$6,000	\$468	\$721
\$1,501-\$2,000	\$146	\$224	\$6,001-\$6,500	\$506	\$780
\$2,001-\$2,500	\$184	\$283	\$6,501-\$7,000	\$545	\$839
\$2,501-\$3,000	\$229	\$353	\$7,001-\$8,000	\$583	\$898
\$3,001-\$3,500	\$283	\$436	\$8,001-\$9,000	\$660	\$1,017
\$3,501-\$4,000	\$313	\$482	\$9,001-\$10,000	\$750	\$1,155
\$4,001-\$4,500	\$335	\$517			

The above rates are for trips up to 30 days – for each day over 30 add \$6 per person per day.

All of the above rates are for the plan which includes insurance and non-insurance services.



<sup>\*</sup> Subject to maximum benefit amount of \$10,000.

<sup>\*\*</sup> For \$0 Trip Cost, there is no Trip Cancellation and Trip Interruption is limited to \$500 return air ticket cost only. Trip Cancellation/Trip Interruption benefits are only payable if a trip is cancelled/interrupted due to a covered peril. \*\*\* CFAR must be purchased within the time sensitive period and you must cancel your trip no later than 48 hours prior to scheduled departure date of your trip. This benefit does not cover penalties associated with any air or other Travel Arrangements not provided by Travel Supplier or the failure of Travel Supplier to provide the bargained for Travel Arrangements due to cessation of operations for any reason. Additional cost applies. Not available to residents of NY.

<sup>\*</sup>Optional Cancel For Any Reason (CFAR) benefit not available to residents of New York State.

#### **EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS**

Unless otherwise shown below, these exclusions apply to You, Your Traveling Companion, or Family Member scheduled and booked to travel with You.

The following exclusion(s) appl(y)(ies) to the Trip Cancellation and Trip Interruption. We will not pay for any loss or expense caused due to, arising or resulting from: 1. a Pre-Existing Medical Condition, as defined in the plan document.

The following exclusions apply to Medical Expense benefits: Benefits are not payable for any loss or expense caused due to, arising or resulting from:

1. routine physical examinations or routine dental care; 2. traveling for the purpose or intent of securing medical treatment or advice; 3. Alcohol or substance abuse or treatment for the same; 4. Normal pregnancy (except Complications of Pregnancy) or childbirth, or elective abortion; 5. a Mental, Nervous or Psychological Condition or Disorder unless Hospitalized or Partially Hospitalized while the plan is in effect; 6. Your participation in Adventure or Extreme Activities, riding or driving in races, or participation in speed or endurance competition or events, except as a spectator; 7. Your participation in an organized athletic or sporting competition, contest, or stunt under contract in exchange for an agreed-upon salary or compensation. This does not include athletes participating in exchange for a scholarship or tuition.

#### In addition to any applicable benefit-specific exclusion, the following general exclusions apply to all losses and all benefits.

We will not pay for any loss or expense caused due to, arising or resulting from: 1. suicide, attempted suicide or any intentionally self-inflicted injury of You, a Traveling Companion, Family Member or Business Partner booked and scheduled to travel with You, while sane or insane; 2. being under the influence of drugs or narcotics, unless administered upon the advice of a Physician as prescribed; 3. activities, losses, or claims involving or resulting from possession, production, processing, sale, or use of marijuana, illegal drugs, alcohol or substances are excluded from coverage; 4. war or act of war, including invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities between nations (whether declared or undeclared), or civil war; 5. the commission of or attempt to commit a felony or being engaged in an illegal occupation by You, a Traveling Companion, Family Member, or Business Partner; 6. directly or indirectly, the actual, alleged or threatened use, discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, escape, release or exposure to any hazardous biological, chemical, nuclear radioactive weapon, device, material, gas, matter or contamination; 7. piloting or learning to pilot or acting as a member of the crew of any aircraft.

Additional Limitations and Exclusions Specific to Baggage and Personal Effects and Baggage Delay: Benefits are not for any loss or damage caused by or resulting from: breakage of brittle or fragile articles; wear and tear or gradual deterioration; confiscation or appropriation by order of any government or custom's rule; theft or pilferage while left in any unlocked or unattended vehicle; property illegally acquired, kept, stored or transported; Your negligent acts or omissions; or property shipped as freight or shipped prior to the Scheduled Departure Date; or electrical current, including electric arcing that damages or destroys electrical devices or appliances. We will not provide benefits for any loss or damage for the following items: a. Animals; b. automobiles and automobile equipment; c. boats or other vehicles or conveyances; d. trailers; e. motors; f. aircraft; g. bicycles, except when checked as baggage with a Common Carrier; h. household effects and furnishings; i. antiques and collectors' items; j. any type of eyeglasses, contact lenses, artificial teeth, dentures, dental braces, dental bridges, or hearing aids; k. artificial limbs or other prosthetic devices; l. prescribed medications; m. keys, money, stamps, tickets and documents (except as otherwise specified covered in the plan); n. securities, stamps, tickets and documents (except as coverage is otherwise specifically provided in the plan); o. professional or occupational equipment or property, whether or not electronic business equipment; p. telephones or wireless devices, computer hardware or software.

# The plan also contains exclusions that apply specifically to the Political or Security Evacuation coverage and the Natural Disaster Evacuation Coverage.

Excess Insurance: Insurance provided by this plan shall be in excess of all other valid and collectible insurance or indemnity or as required by state law. If at the time of the occurrence of any loss there is other valid and collectible insurance or indemnity in place, We shall be liable only for the excess of the amount of loss, over the amount of such other insurance or indemnity, and applicable deductible. Recovery of losses from other parties does not result in a refund of plan cost paid.

#### **Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion Waiver**

The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion will be waived if the protection plan payment or deposit is received within the time sensitive period and you are not disabled from travel at the time you pay the plan cost based on Physician assessment.

#### PLEASE REFER TO THE PLAN DOCUMENTS FOR A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF COVERAGE.

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DEPOSITS AND FINAL PAYMENT: A deposit of \$500.00 per person by check should accompany the enrollment form along with your optional travel protection payment and a copy of your passport picture page by July 24, 2023. Final payment is due by September 9, 2023. A late payment fee of \$100 will be charged per person for all payments received after the final payment date. Please mail your payment to: Select International Tours, 85 Park Ave., Flemington, NJ 08822 Attn: Jane Allison, 800-842-4842, jane@select-intl.com.

Your passport must be valid through May 18, 2024. Reservations will not be processed until we have passport copies. Prices quoted are based on payments by check. Prices: \$3,295.00 for land only (air not included); \$1,000.00 for group air; \$4,295.00 for land and air; \$995.00 for solo traveler, additional cost, (in room by yourself). For credit card prices add 4%

**PILGRIMAGE PRICES:** Prices are based on minimum 20 passengers. Prices may be adjusted in the event of fewer than 20 passengers, changes in currency conversion rates, or amendments in local government taxes and/or fuel surcharges. Prices are in US dollars.

**SOLO TRAVEL:** A limited number of single rooms are available. Prices are based on two people per room. We do not guarantee roommates but will do our best to connect you with a someone willing to share.

**LAND ONLY OPTION:** Land only services start and end at the hotels and do not include any airfare. You are welcome to transfer from the airport with the group if you arrive at the same time, otherwise, transfers are not included.

TOUR CANCELLATION POLICY: Individual deposits are refundable except for a \$350.00 per person handling fee for cancellations made 90 days or more before departure. A \$500.00 non-refundable fee will be assessed if the reservation is canceled between 90 and 60 days prior to departure. Within 60 days of departure all payments are non-refundable regardless of reason for cancellations. All airline tickets are non-refundable once issued.All cancellations must be in writing. Unused portions of the trip are not refundable. If a roommate cancels, the cost of a solo supplement will be added to your invoice. You may be eligible for a refund through your travel protection. Refer to the U.S. Policy by State on our website.

**TRIP CANCELLATION PROTECTION:** We strongly encourage you to purchase a **Travel Protection Plan**, for the protection of your travel investment. Please consider purchasing this plan at the time of initial deposit in order to be covered for pre-existing conditions.

Visit <a href="https://www.travelinsured.com/agency?agency=47406&p=SEL21">www.travelinsured.com/agency?agency=47406&p=SEL21</a> or call 844-440-8133 for details and costs for the Select International Travel Protection Plan with optional Cancel for any reason (CFAR). Please note that CFAR is not available in NY State. The plans contain insurance benefits underwritten by the United States Fire Insurance Company. The plans also contain non-insurance Travel Assistance Services that are provided by an independent organization.

AIRLINE, SEATING AND SPECIAL REQUESTS: To best accommodate our pilgrims, we often utilize Group Air Reservations. These allow more predictable transfer and tour schedules. However, when booking Group Air, the airline (not Select International Tours) controls seating assignments. If you require very

specific seats, we suggest that you book your own airfare and take advantage of our "Land Only" options. You may communicate directly with the airline to request seating changes, provide mileage program information, or change passenger contact information once you receive ticket numbers—approximately three (3) weeks prior to departure. We work with instant purchase airline tickets and or group rates. If you switch from air and land to land only within 90 days from departure you will be charged a \$100 service fee in addition to any airline charges. All special needs and requests due to medical or dietary restrictions must be requested in writing at least 60 days prior to departure. Business class and Premium Coach seats are available upon written request; as are addons from your hometown airport. If you require very specific airlines or schedules, we suggest that you book your own airfare and take advantage of our "Land Only" options.

**WALKING:** Our trips require daily walking, sometimes up or down slopes, steps, and uneven terrain. We recommend preparing oneself, by walking before the trip. Anyone needing assistance is required to be accompanied by a qualified and physically-able travel companion. We are not responsible for any medical condition that occurs prior, during or after the trip.

**SAFETY PROCEDURES:** Select International Tours has undertaken a reasonable inquiry, withall the suppliers (including airlines, hotels, bus companies and other service providers)used on our trips to ensure they have instigated the best available procedures regardingthe pandemic- protective policies advised by local government and health authorities. The client understands and agrees that the supplier(s) may not apply those policies as diligently as the policies suggest. In addition even if the supplier makes a good faith effort to enforce its good practices, some travelers may simply refuse to cooperate. Therefore the client agrees not to hold Select International Tours or group leaders responsible should they or anyone on the trip contract COVID-19 or any other illness during or after the trip

RESPONSIBILITY: By accepting this confirmation, you agree that the Group Leaders and Select International Tours, Inc. have no responsibility for any acts or omission of the travel suppliers in your itinerary and during your trip. We have no special knowledge regarding the financial conditions of the suppliers, unsafe travel conditions, health hazards, or weather hazards at locations traveled. We are not responsible for flight delays or cancellations or any charges incurred due to unforeseen circumstances. Unused portions of the trip are non-refundable. For information about destination climate, risks, and safety please consult the appropriate on-line resources. For health information consult the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. You are responsible for checking passport, visa, vaccination, or other entry requirements of your destinations. Itineraries are subject to change. We are not responsible for any damaged, lost, or stolen articles. We are not responsible for any sickness, injury, or death during or after the trip. Travel documents will be mailed out approximately three (3) weeks before departure. Please review them carefully for any errors.

**SHIPPING & HANDLING:** \$15.00—not included in package price—will be added to each invoice. Your invoice will confirm the trip registration.

Holy Land with Fr. Joseph Gates Trip Code: 23JA11HLGATES

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#### THE BENEFITS OF REGISTERING ONLINE FOR YOUR PILGRIMAGE:

Over the last several years, our clients have requested more control over the trip booking process, payments, and, most importantly, communication about the trips. Our response to these comments and requests had taken two years to implement, but we are happy with the results. Select has committed to a major financial and time investment in building an online reservation system that is easy to navigate using your home computer, tablet, or smartphone. We have addressed most of the requests and suggestions provided by clients. The benefits of the new system to you are a simplified registration process, the ability to access your information at your convenience, review your payment history and get trip information while easily communicating with your Account Manager and group leader.

When you register online, you will receive regular email updates about your trip and useful tips and tricks for making your international travel more comfortable and enjoyable. And best of all, you can register online even if you prefer to pay by check or wire transfer; just choose that option upon checkout.

We understand that some people are not comfortable with technology and prefer to register via mail-in paper registration, regardless of the many benefits of registering online. To make that easy, we have created a generic registration form on our website at <a href="https://selectinternationaltours.com/register-online/">https://selectinternationaltours.com/register-online/</a>. You may download and print the form, fill it out and mail it with your check to Select International Tours. However, before you choose to register by mail, please know that we cannot communicate with people who do not register online as frequently and seamlessly. And you may miss some important communication regarding balances and trip preparation, as well as communication from your group leaders. We want you to be in charge and be comfortable with the registration process; our job is to inform you so you can choose the best system for you.

To learn how easy it is to register online, please view THIS SHORT 6-minute VIDEO that explains the process at <a href="https://selectinternationaltours.com/register-online/">https://selectinternationaltours.com/register-online/</a>.