

Welcome!
"Bruchim Ha-ba'im"
ברוכים הבאים



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Pre-Departure Orientation

Today's Agenda for October 2, 2022

Preparations, Reminders, Travel Tips

10-Day Spiritual Journey of a Lifetime through the Holy Land

with

Journey Church

Tour Hosts: Pastors Kevin and Joelene Taylor

October 24 – November 2, 2022

Optional Turkey Pre-trip: October 21 – 25, 2022

This presentation is designed to review much of the information we have shared with you in working together to ensure a successful, meaningful, and well-enjoyed spiritual journey of a lifetime through the Holy Land.



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Travel Documents and Other Important Subjects: Preparing for a successful, meaningful, and well-enjoyed experience

Your Participant Pre-Departure Package

Emailed on Saturday, October 1, 2022

Please print it and keep a copy with you for easy reference

Participant Travel Document Pouch

You'll receive this today

Participant Gift Package

You'll receive this today

Make sure that your name on the participant list in your Participant Pre-Departure Package and your name on your passenger manifest matches EXACTLY with your name as it appears in your passport.



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**In your travel
document
pouch**

Confirmation of Preparation

- Please sign and date the form before leaving today
- Please leave the completed form with us



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EMAILED ON SATURDAY 10/1/22**



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Your personal Participant Travel Document Pouch includes the following:

- Confirmation of Preparation
- Flight Itinerary
- Your Passenger Manifest
- Hotels in Israel
- Important Contact Information

Make sure that your name on the participant list in your Participant Pre-Departure Package and your name on your passenger manifest matches EXACTLY with your name as it appears in your passport.



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Your Passenger Manifest

Bring your **FLIGHT ITINERARY** with you, along with the **PASSENGER MANIFEST** that is enclosed with your Travel Document Pouch. Locate your name on the **PASSENGER MANIFEST** and make sure that your name matches **EXACTLY** as your name indicated on your passport. Notify our office immediately if your name does not match exactly. You are traveling as a group member and as such, must present these documents upon check-in at the airport ticketing desk in order to receive your boarding pass. Keep this information with you throughout your tour. The **FLIGHT ITINERARY** and the **PASSENGER MANIFEST** are documents that verify your identity; these documents associate you with the ticket being held in your name with a distinct passenger ticket identification number. The **PASSENGER MANIFEST** contains your ticket number that you will need in case of a travel emergency the day of travel or to help the airlines find your reservation.

Take a look at your name as it appears on the Passenger Manifest. Make sure your name matches EXACTLY as your name indicated on your passport. Notify us immediately if your name does not match exactly.

Plan to arrive at the Turkish Airlines ticket counter no later than 5:40p for check-in.



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**Make copies
to carry with
you and
leave at
home with
family and
friends**

- **Passport**
- **Passenger manifest**
- **Travel insurance policy**
- **Letter verifying your travel insurance covers Covid-19 and/or its variants including coverage for quarantine**
- **List of your medications and dosage**
- **CDC vaccination card**
- **Participant Pre-Departure Package for easy reference**

Take a photo of your passport



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Your Luggage

You are allowed to bring one checked piece of luggage, weighing no more than 50 lbs.

You are allowed to bring one carry-on weighing no more than 17 lbs

Roller suitcase

Backpack

Store in the overhead bin or beneath the seat in front of you

You are allowed to bring one personal item with you

Laptop

Purse

Small bag

Please check with Turkish Airlines for checked luggage and carry-on restrictions, i.e., dimensions, weight limit, policy for carrying liquids, electronics, etc.



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Your Hotels

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Sophisticated, modern,
breathtaking vistas,
majestic views,
personal attention,
breakfast and dinner buffets



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**IMPORTANT
CONTACT
INFORMATION**

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**IN CASE
YOUR
LUGGAGE
GETS LOST**

**PLEASE REFER TO YOUR PARTICIPANT
PRE-DEPARTURE PACKAGE**



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**SUGGESTED
ITEMS **NOT**
TO BRING**

**Do I need jewelry?
A suit?
A tie? Jacket?
Fancy-schmancy clothes?**



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**PARTICIPANT
GIFT
PACKAGE**

Name badge

With your official name as you indicated on your registration materials

Passport holder

For your passport; “gentle” reminder to bring your passport with you
Leave copies of inside identification pages at home with family members; pack another copy and bring it with you

Nylon easy-pack bag

Toss into your suitcase; day trip companion

Luggage handle gripper

Keeps your luggage handles closed; easy identification; 2 per person

Luggage tags

2 per person: one for your checked luggage and one for your carry-on/hand luggage

Cap

Please wear it each day; makes it easier to identify our group and serves as sun protector

Electrical Adapter

For your electronics, compatible with Israel system



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What is not included?

- Travel Insurance
- Purchases of a personal nature
- Hotel wi-fi
- Hotel minibars
- Lunches other than those mentioned
- Any meals and beverages not mentioned
- Spa facilities, services, hotel amenities requiring arrangements made in advance
- Love offering to the tour guide and bus driver



What is not included?

TRAVEL INSURANCE

All foreign visitors traveling to Israel are mandated to show proof of their having purchased travel insurance that includes coverage for Covid-19 and/or its variants and coverage for quarantine. Please ensure that you have purchased travel insurance that satisfies the mandated Government of Israel Entry Protocol. You will not be permitted into the country if you do not comply with their protocol. Additional information is found in the Participant Pre-Departure Package.

For group members participating in the optional Turkey Pre-trip, please complete the online visa prior to your departure from the US.



What can we expect daily?

Our .ppt presentations throughout the past few years have detailed the program. The itinerary, highlighting inclusions, and presentations are posted on the landing page

<https://israeladvantagetours.com/journey-church-2022/>

Breakfast and Dinner

Lunch along the way, Israeli-style

Amazing opportunities for God to reveal Himself over and over again

Spiritual enlivenment, enlightenment, illumination

Time for reflection, introspection, meditation

This is YOUR spiritual journey – make of it all you wish it to be



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I have a few questions:

Do I need a **visa**? No. US citizens do not require a visa.

Can I bring my **laptop? ipad**? Yes, and bring necessary cables for your gadgets.

Cellphone? Check with your cellphone provider for service in Israel.

Can I use my **credit card** in Israel? Yes. Ask your credit card company if they charge for overseas transaction fees. You may want to check with credit card companies that do not charge transaction fees. Advise your credit card company in advance that you will be traveling overseas and plan to use your card overseas, otherwise they might block activity on your credit card while you're away.

What about **camera equipment**? Can I bring it? Yes. It's up to you. Most cellphones do take great pictures, though.

What's the **electrical current** in Israel? 220 volts AC

Bring an adapter - If you're plugging in an appliance that was built for 220 volt **electrical** input, or an appliance that is compatible with multiple voltages, then an adapter is all you need.



Gentle Reminders

Mantra: Casual, Comfortable, Respectful
Israel is a Mediterranean country, comfy and casual.
Modest dress for religious sites.
Most importantly: **comfortable walking shoes**

Remember to bring your Bible...
time for reflection, sharing devotionals, reciting scripture.



SAFETY

If asked by security personnel for information about you, the reasons for taking this trip, if they ask to see your passport and travel documents, please oblige their request. They want to make sure that you and the other passengers are safe. Please be courteous, polite, and patient. We may not always know their reasons for asking questions or making requests, but we do know that their interest is our travel safety. Thank you for obliging with kindness.





TRAVEL TIPS

What else should I know? Bring?

Your Bible is very important; please bring it with you.
Your Bible becomes your best guide, from now on and forever.

Your Passenger Guest Gift Package Items

- Our warm, knowledgeable, expert tour guides, Pitch and Ikey, will become *your* best friends.
- Keep your passport, credit cards, travel insurance information, and hotel and contact info with you throughout the tour.
- Before disembarking from the planes in Istanbul and Tel Aviv, check to make sure you are taking everything with you, i.e., passport, travel documents, phone, gadgets, etc. Check your area before disembarking upon your return to the USA.
- If you leave anything in your hotel safe, remember to check the safe before you check out of the hotel each time.
- Liquids are not permitted in the airplane cabin beyond a certain quantity in a specific bottle size; check Turkish Airlines' website for specific information in this regard.



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TRAVEL TIPS

Packing Tip

If you're traveling with a spouse or companion, we suggest that each of you pack half of your belongings in each of the large suitcases you are permitted to bring. This way, if one suitcase gets lost, each of you will still have fresh clothes to wear.





TRAVEL TIPS

Pack in Checked Luggage

Clothes

Shoes

Liquids

Personal and vanity items

Miscellaneous necessities

Do not pack valuables in your
checked luggage



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TRAVEL TIPS

Pack in Carry-on Luggage and/or Personal Bag

Airline ticket

Passport

Travel Documents, Contact Information

One-day change of clothes

A good book/reading materials, ipad, laptop for entertainment

Medication, Sleep apnea machine

Spare contact lenses or glasses

Hearing aid with extra batteries

Money, credit cards and cellphone, Ipad, laptop

Neck pillow, sleeping mask, earplugs

Nothing sharp!!!



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Warning about cell phones and tablets

During the flight, if you're leaving your gadget on, you must turn it to 'Airplane Mode' in your Settings; when asked to shut your phone or gadgets completely, please do so.





TRAVEL TIPS

Extras

- Overseas phone service – cell provider or rental services
- Download WhatsApp before leaving home – family/friends in US, too
- FB, Twitter, Social Media – Keep your friends and family in the loop
- Prayers in Kotel
- Small Currency (Bills): \$1, \$5, \$10, \$20
- Shekel = \$0.28
- Credit Card – Call your credit card companies to let them know you'll be traveling

