

# Rome & Israel April 12-26 2012



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**\$3650** per person includes :

- Round-trip airfare from New York
- First Class ground transportation
- First Class hotel accommodations
- Daily buffet breakfast (Rome and Israel)
- Dinner (Israel)
- Entrance fees to all sites
- Fully escorted service
- All gratuities

## Rome

**Apr. 12:** Flight Departs New York 5:25 pm - arrives in Rome am 8:00 am Apr 13 .We are flying on Alitalia Airlines.



**Golden Tulip Bellambriana Hotel** will be our base for our stay in Rome.

**Apr 13:** After we drop off our luggage and have a nice Italian breakfast, we will make our way to visit the Catacombs and Paul Outside the Walls Church, where the first Church Age Messenger is buried. We will have lunch at a local restaurant and then head back to the hotel for some rest and leisure time. After supper, a surprise!

**Apr 14:** After enjoying a hearty Italian breakfast we will make our way to the world-famous Coliseum and the Roman Forum. Just a short distance away, is Peter in Chains church where we will have the opportunity to see Michelangelo's *Moses*. Lunch today is at a very trendy restaurant in the Spanish Steps area of Rome! Here we will have some time to shop or just enjoy some "gelato" as we stroll along the river banks. We will make our way back to our hotel for some leisure time, rest and supper.

**Apr 15:** Today we will have a church service with the local Believers and a lunch fellowship to follow. Back to the hotel for rest and supper and then another surprise!

**Apr 16:** We start our day with a trip to the Vatican Museums, where we can marvel at the splendor of the Sistine Chapel and other great works of art for the entire morning. We will have lunch at a lovely restaurant on the grounds and then make our way to St Peter's Basilica. Those who are brave enough will have the opportunity to make their way all the way up to the cupola atop the church for a breathtaking view of the city. We will make our way back to our hotel where we will finish our packing and prepare of our departure to Israel.

## Israel

**Apr 17:** Flight departs Rome 11:35 am, arrives Tel Aviv 2:55 pm on Alitalia Airlines.

Our first night will be at the **Blue Ray Hotel** on the beautiful Mediterranean Sea for supper and a good night's rest.



**Apr 18:** Our first stop today is the city of Caesarea. Home to Cornelius, the first Gentile convert, and Philip, the evangelist. Peter preached here and Paul was imprisoned in this city for 2 years. Heading north, our next stop is the

site of the Mt. Camel showdown (area known today as Muhra). This is where Elijah met the false prophets of Baal. We see the Mountains of Gilboa, and the hills of Nazareth and Samaria. Crossing the Jezreel Valley we will come to the excavations of Megiddo, one of King Solomon's "chariot cities". Here there is a commanding view of the entire valley where the final battle will take place. Rev 16:16. Our last stop of the day will be a visit to Mary's Well in Nazareth.

**Hotel Rimom Mineral in Tiberias** - home for the next 3 nights.



**Apr 19:** We begin at the Jordan River for a baptismal service, followed by a visit where Jesus preached the "Sermon on the Mount". Our next stop, Capernaum, where Jesus lived as

a child for 2 years and the area from where most of the disciples came. While many miracles were recorded here, the inhabitants did not repent and accept His Message. Lunch will be freshly caught St. Peter's fish. We end our day with a pleasant boat ride across the Sea of Galilee.

**Apr 20:** We begin our day with is visit to Banyas, known in the Bible as Caesarea Philippi, where Jesus asked "Whom do ye say that I am?" Later we will drive through

the Golan Heights, travelling on the same road that Saul of Tarsus traversed on his way to Damascus.

**Apr 21:** Today we drive through the Jordan Valley on our way to visit the ancient synagogue in Beit Alpha. We will proceed to the Spring of Harod. This is the place where Gideon gathered his men before fighting the Midianites. We will drive to Bethlehem to visit the Church of the Nativity. We will have an opportunity to shop here, and then we will head to our lovely hotel in Jerusalem for supper.

**Ramat Rachel Hotel** will be our base for the next 4 nights.

**Apr 22:** We begin our day with a visit to the Mount of Olives, we will look across the Kidron Valley to the old walled city of Jerusalem. We will make our way to the site where Jesus wept over this magnificent city (Luke 19: 41-44). On to the Garden of Gethsemane, where we will see fruit bearing olive trees over 2500 years old! Our next stop will be the Israel Museum to see the Shrine of the Book and here you will see an impressive model of Jerusalem. Finally, we will end our day at Yad Vashem (the Holocaust Museum). Back



to the hotel for supper and free time.

**Apr 23:** Qumran will be our first stop, the site of the most important archaeological find of the last 100 years- the Dead Sea Scrolls. On to Masada, where we will ascend by cable car to view the ruins of Herod's fortress city. A lovely hotel on the Dead Sea will be our choice for lunch and a unique salt water experience.

**Apr 24:** Our day begins with a visit to the Hashmonean Tunnel, also known as the Western Wall Tunnel. We will go on to the Pool of Bethesda and the Church of St. Ann nearby. We will also see the Archaeological Garden and later have time for prayer at the Western Wall. Our highlight this afternoon will be our trip to Calvary and the empty Garden Tomb. We will have a special communion service and then head back to our hotel for supper.



**Apr 25:** Today we will be leaving our hotel en route for Mount Zion, but first: a surprise! We shall visit the Upper Room and the Church of St Peter in Gallicantu (where Peter heard the rooster crow). We will stop at the Knesset Menorah and proceed to the Biblical Gardens for a very interactive lesson in plants of the Bible. We will have a farewell dinner and then make our way to the airport.

**Apr 26:** Our Alitalia flight departs Israel 4:15 am and after a change in Rome, arrives in New York 6:10pm.

For your convenience, an online payment option is available at: <http://onlybelieve.com/israel.htm>

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