

WE WILL:

- ❖ *participate in the 2012 Jerusalem Week of Prayer for Christian Unity programme**
- ❖ *worship with a wide range of local Christian denominations (Greek Catholic, Syrian, Ethiopian Orthodox, Armenian and many more, plus the more familiar Anglican, Lutheran, Quaker and Roman Catholic churches)*
- ❖ *find out why and how the churches differ, by looking at the causes and results of their history, politics, liturgy etc*
- ❖ *find out about the challenges Christians face and how we might support them from outside*
- ❖ *encounter the wider work of the various Christian communities, visiting educational, health and social care centres, for example – several of the trustees have links with these*
- ❖ *support Christian-run enterprises, by, for example, staying in local religious communities and visiting Christian businesses*
- ❖ *meet with eminent Palestinian Christian clergy and community leaders in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Ramallah and Taybeh*
- ❖ *take time to explore, join a local walking tour, participate in the Stations of the Cross, or simply soak up the experience*

JERUSALEM

Accommodation in Mar Maroun guest house on a half-board basis, with lunches included on days with organised activities.

OPTIONAL EXTRA NIGHTS IN THE GALILEE

30th January – 1st February, including a visit to Ibellin, staying in St Margaret's Anglican guest house in Nazareth.

****Please note: the Week of Prayer programme for 2012 is not yet finalised, and therefore if necessary we will adjust our schedule to fit in. Also, local conditions may cause some adjustments. Nevertheless we can assure you a full and interesting experience.***

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PILGRIMAGE

with the Living Stones Trust to

Jerusalem

for the

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Saturday 21st – Sunday 29th January 2012

with optional Galilee extension

Costs, deposits:	sharing	single suppl.
Jerusalem only)		
(Sat 21 st – Sun 29 th January):)	£450*	£150*
Galilee extension)		
(Sun 29 th Jan – Weds 1 st Feb):)	£100*	£50*

**Please note these prices are, of necessity, a guide based on current exchange rates, and may need to be adjusted slightly.*

Deposit (cheque payable to Living Stones): **£200**

Deadline: **31st October 2011.**

NB: Participants should arrange their own flights, expected to be approximately £600 with British Airways or £360 with EasyJet

Date	Base	Worship / reflection focus	Activities / visits
Saturday 21 st January	Arrive Ben Gurion or other route – make own way to hotel in Jerusalem NB: a coach will be arranged if sufficient numbers book on the same flight o/n Mar Maroun, Jerusalem	'Status quo' and the shared responsibility for holy places. <i>5.30pm Greek Orthodox Office of Apodeipnon (Compline) in the Anastasis (Calvary) of the Holy Sepulchre Church</i>	Introductions and settling in; Walk in the Old City, visiting the Church of the Resurrection (Holy Sepulchre) and some of the other Orthodox churches
Sunday 22 nd January	Coach to Taybeh and return to St George's Anglican Cathedral for 5pm o/n Mar Maroun, Jerusalem	Christian communities in the West Bank. <i>5pm Anglican Cathedral of St George, Nablus Road (start of the Week of Prayer)</i>	Taybeh: worship with local congregations and lunch, visit housing project, brewery etc
Monday 23 rd January	Coach to Bethlehem, return to J'lem for 5pm o/n Mar Maroun, Jerusalem	Bethlehem and around <i>5pm St Saviour's Latin Parish Church, near New Gate</i>	Bethlehem: university, orphanage, Church of the nativity etc
Tuesday 24 th January	Coach to Mount of Olives via Bethany / Abu Dis, making own back to Jaffa Gate for 4.30pm; o/n Mar Maroun, Jerusalem	Social and health inputs of Christian foundations. <i>5pm Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Old City, near Holy Sepulchre</i>	Lutheran housing project, Augusta Victoria Hospital; Amira Basma Children's Centre; optional walk down to Church of All Nations via Pater Noster and Dominus Fleuit (or transport)
Wednesday 25 th January	Coach to Ramallah; return to Jaffa Gate for 4.30pm. o/n Mar Maroun, Jerusalem	Peace and reconciliation, education, relief, justice, law, human rights. <i>5pm: St. Mark's Church, Syrian Orthodox, (Old City, near Jaffa Gate)</i>	Ramallah Friends Meeting House to meet local Quakers, staff and students from the Friends Schools, lawyers and human rights campaigners, etc. Lunch in Ramallah
Thursday 27 th January	Free day; evening coach to Ein Kerem including dinner o/n Mar Maroun, Jerusalem	Christians in Israel <i>4pm Upper Room, Cenacle, Mount Zion, near Jaffa Gate</i>	Free time in Jerusalem, choice of activities e.g. walking tour ending at Mount Zion. Evening: Ein Kerem for dinner and to meet local Christians
Friday 27 th January	o/n Mar Maroun, Jerusalem	<i>5pm: Armenian Cathedral of St. James Old City, Armenian Quarter</i>	Free time in Jerusalem – possibility to book on a walking tour, or settlement tour, or to join the public Stations of the Cross
Saturday 28 th January	Coach to Jericho via Wadi Qelt and Jericho, etc, return to Ethiopian Church for 4.45pm o/n Mar Maroun, Jerusalem	The desert traditions; wilderness. <i>5pm: Ethiopian Orthodox Church, West Jerusalem, off Prophets' Street</i>	Via Wadi Qelt to Jericho; Monastery of the Temptation and Latin Church in Jericho Lunch in Jericho town
Sunday 29 th January	Coach to Abu Ghosh, returning to Jaffa Gate for 4.45pm – transport to Ben Gurion if needed. Remainder: o/n Mar Maroun, Jerusalem	<i>5pm: Greek Catholic Church of Annunciation, Old City, near Jaffa gate (Closing service of Week of Prayer)</i>	10.30am Mass at the Benedictine Crusader Church in Abu Ghosh; Lunch – maybe a picnic in Imwas (one of the possible sites of Emmaus)
Monday 30 th January	Coach to Nazareth. o/n St Margaret's Hospice, Nazareth	The Fifth Gospel: the role of the land and holy places in religious expression	to Nazareth via Tiberius, Capurneau, etc
Tuesday 31 st January	Coach to Ibellin and return o/n St Margaret's Anglican Hostel, Nazareth	Melkite: Arab Christians in Israel, and the Palestinian presence within the Israeli State.	Visit Ibellin, Fr Elias Chacour, and Mar Elias College; lunch. (We will also try to visit the restoration of the Orthodox church of Mujaydil)
Wednesday 1 st February	Transfer from Nazareth to Ben Gurion	Closing worship, depending on flight times, etc	