Journey of A Lifetime
Pilgrimage to Israel and Jordan
March 14–26, 2015
Steve & Barb Wingfield, Tour Hosts

Garden Tomb

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Saturday, March 14
Depart Washington/Dulles on a transatlantic flight to Vienna, Austria.

Sunday, March 15
Vienna – Jordan
After changing planes in Vienna, arrive in Amman mid-afternoon. Check in at the Amman Intercontinental Hotel for dinner and overnight.

Monday, March 16
Depart Amman this morning to visit Bethany Beyond the Jordan, believed to be where John the Baptist preached and baptized Jesus. Stop at Mt. Nebo, the mountain from which God showed Moses the Promised Land. Drive to Madaba to see a 6th century floor mosaic depicting a map of the Holy Land easily recognized by early Christian pilgrims. Continue south to Petra, located in the heart of the Seir Mountains and mentioned in the book of Genesis. Dinner and overnight at the Mövenpick Resort Petra.

Tuesday, March 17
Petra – Dead Sea
For hundreds of years, Petra was forgotten until it was “rediscovered” in 1812. It must be entered on foot, horseback, camel, or donkey cart through a narrow siq (gorge). The Nabataeans carved breathtaking temples and monuments, 800 in all, out of the multicolored sandstone. See the 3,000 seat theatre, the Palace Tomb, and the Treasury—the most famous monument appearing dramatically at the end of the siq. Depart Petra, to cross the Arava Border and continue on towards the Dead Sea. Dinner and overnight at the David Dead Sea Hotel.

Wednesday, March 18
Dead Sea Area
This morning, travel to Masada to take a cable car to the top of Herod’s mountain bunker and the last stronghold of the Jewish revolt against Rome (AD 66–73). Drive to Ein Gedi, the region where David fled from King Saul and cut off a part of his robe in a cave (1 Samuel 24). Here you may choose to hike over the rocks to the waterfall at Ein Gedi Nature Reserve or relax in the park and watch the hyraxes and ibex. Travel to the Jezerel Valley to “Mayan Harod,” the Spring of Harod which flows from Gideon’s Cave. This is the place where Gideon gathered his men before fighting the Midianites. (Judges 7:1) You will see a small museum just above the cave and an amazing observation point of the Jezerel Valley. Aside from Gideon’s Cave see the remains of an ancient aqueduct, a memorial to soldiers who died fighting on Mt. Gilboa, and the home of Yehoshua Hankin, the “Redeemer of the Valley” (a benevolent person who developed the region). Dinner and overnight at the Ron Beach Hotel.

Thursday, March 19
Sea of Galilee
This day alone is worth the trip! We are now literally walking in the footsteps of Jesus. We will take a most memorable boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, in a replica of the ancient wooden boat used in Jesus’ day. We will visit an ancient boat believed to be from Jesus’ time found in the Sea of Galilee in 1986. Walk into old Capernaum with the ancient synagogue. Next on to the site of the Multiplication of the Loaves and Fishes (Tabgha), the Sermon on the Mount, and the Mount of Beatitudes. You will have an opportunity for a lunch of St. Peter’s fish (optional). End the day at Yardin, the Jordan River baptismal site, before returning to the Ron Beach Hotel for dinner and overnight.

Friday, March 20
Northern Galilee
Drive north to Tel Dan, the site where King Jeroboam built his temple, and visit the ancient Solomonic and Abraham Gate. Continue to Caesarea Philippi (Banias Spring) where Peter confessed, “You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God” (Matthew 16:16). Drive up onto the Golan Heights for an overview of the Sea of Galilee basin before continuing to the ancient Jewish village of Katzrin, located in the central part of Golan. Drive to the Golan/Syria border, which offers a view toward Damascus and Mt. Hermon. Stop and visit Beth Shean (aka Scythopolis). Climb the tel and view the setting for the death of Saul (1 Samuel 31). Survey the magnificent Roman and Byzantine ruins: theatre, bathhouses, ancient rest rooms, market areas, and colonnaded streets. Return to the Ron Beach Hotel for dinner and overnight.

Saturday, March 21
Tiberias – Caesarea
Drive to Sepphoris (Zippori), the former Roman capital of the Galilee and the famous seat of the Sanhedrin which was the ancient Jewish ruling council in the second century. Sepphoris is comprised of a Crusader fortress, a Roman amphitheater (Roman Theatre), and numerous impressive mosaics. Continue through Cana where Jesus performed his first miracle at the wedding party. Then drive through the rolling hills of the Galilee and visit Nazareth Village, a re-creation of a working farm and Galilean village as it may have been 2000 years ago. It is truly a window into the life of Jesus, Nazareth’s most famous citizen. Next, it’s on to the Jezerel Valley to Tel Megido, inspiration for James Michener’s “The Source.” Archaeological digs reveal over 20 layers of civilization, including fortifications of King Solomon and the water tunnel of King Ahab. Megido provides a magnificent view of the fertile Jezerel Valley, prophesied site of Arma-geddon, located at the crossroads of the ancient Via Maris. Continue to Caesarea Maritima, site of major events in the lives of Peter and Paul.

Sunday, March 22
Jerusalem
Begin the morning on the Mt. of Olives where we visit the spot of the Ascension, the Chapel of Ascension. Enjoy the magnificent view of the Old City from the top of the Mt. of Olives before taking the “Palm Sunday Walk” to the Garden of Gethsemane. Here is where we will tarry and picpary where Jesus prayed. Enter the Old City through St. Stephen’s Gate (Lions’ Gate) to the Muslim Quarter and visit the beautiful Church of St. Anne with its spectacular acoustics. Stop at the Pool of Bethesda and walk along the Via Dolorosa to Pilate’s Judgment Hall and the Ecce Homo Arch. Drive to Mt. Zion to see the Upper Room where the Last Supper was shared and then walk to the House of Caiaphas, the site of Peter’s denial. Return to the Mount Zion Hotel for dinner and overnight.

Monday, March 23
Jerusalem
This morning begins with a visit to the Western Wall with opportunity for prayer. Walk through the Western Wall Tunnel where additional portions of the wall, as well as other structures beneath it, have been excavated. Visit the Davidson Center to see the Southern Wall excavations and the Southern Steps leading to the Temple Mount (where Jesus would have walked). Climb the steps to the Dome of the Rock before continuing to the City of David, where Jerusalem was first established. We will then go up to the beautifully restored Jewish Quarter, walk through the Cardo which was the original Byzantine street, and see the amazing remains of the massive wall built by King Hezekiah. Return to the Mount Zion Hotel for dinner and overnight.

Tuesday, March 24
Bethlehem – Qumran
This morning, visit Bethlehem and see Manger Square and the Church of the Nativity. View the Shepherds’ Fields and the Fields of Boaz and Ruth. Drive through the Judean Desert to Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found in 1947. View Cave # 4, which contained the greatest quantity of Dead Sea scrolls. Before returning to Jerusalem, stop at Genezareth for dinner in Abraham’s Tent. Reenter Jerusalem as pilgrims have for hundreds of years, praying on Mt. Zion. Visit the 3,000 seat theatre, the Palace Tomb, and the Treasury—the most impressive mosaics. Continue through the Jewish Quarter, walk through the Cardo which was the original Byzantine street, and see the amazing remains of the massive wall built by King Hezekiah. Return to the Mount Zion Hotel for dinner and overnight.
Wednesday, March 25
Jerusalem
This morning drive to the Shrine of the Book which was built specifically to house the Dead Sea Scrolls, some of the earliest copies of complete Hebrew texts ever found. Nearby is the model of Jerusalem (built 1:50 scale), representing the city during the time of the second temple period, located in the Israel Museum. Next, visit Yad Vashem, Israel’s Holocaust memorial and museum. The afternoon is free to explore Jerusalem on your own, coming together late in the afternoon for Communion at the Garden Tomb. Enjoy a Farewell Dinner, celebrating all we have seen and heard. Overnight at the Mount Zion Hotel.

Thursday, March 26
Return to USA
The return flight departs very early this morning, arriving at Washington/Dulles Airport early this evening. You will return home with a richer understanding of the lands of the Bible.

Meet your hosts: Steve & Barb Wingfield
Steve is highly recognized as an evangelistic speaker, author, and leader. His ministry, the Steve Wingfield Evangelistic Association, has been involved in evangelistic meetings and in training folks how to share their faith more effectively. Steve has conducted over 100 city-wide crusades and festivals in the United States, in over 25 years of ministry. He pastored at Roanoke, VA for seven years, hosted a daily radio broadcast, and founded the Roanoke Evangelical Ministerial Association.

Steve is a graduate of Trinity Evangelical Divinity School and Eastern Mennonite College. Steve has been awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary in Lynchburg, VA. He has also served as a featured instructor at Billy Graham’s Institute for Emerging Evangelists at the Billy Graham Training Center in Asheville, NC and as an instructor at the Billy Graham Center in Wheaton, IL. At the Tyndale Theological Seminary in Amsterdam, Netherlands, he teaches introduction to Evangelism. He has also taught various seminars and conferences in Romania, the Ukraine, Nigeria, Ghana, and Kenya.

Steve is an author and has written several books including Live the Adventure, Encountering God and Winning the Race Every Day Keep Your Drive Alive. He has also co-authored Come to the Table and Share the Bounty with Benita Long.

Registration on-line at:

Tour Price: $5,495 per person, based on two persons sharing a double room
Single Room Supplement: $1,135

Deposits received after December 5, 2014, will likely incur additional charges due to supplier contract terms.

Included in Tour Price:
- Round-trip airfare from Washington/Dulles International Airport
- Accommodations as listed in itinerary, or similar
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Sightseeing and entrance fees to sites listed in itinerary
- Services of English-speaking licensed guides
- Drivers and transportation in air-conditioned motor coach
- Hotel service charges and local taxes
- Tips to drivers, guides and hotel staff
- Jordan visa
- Border crossing fees

Not Included
- Honoraria and love offerings to speakers / organizations
- Transportation from home to/from Washington/Dulles Airport
- Passport fees
- Lunches and lunch tips
- Beverages with dinners
- Items of a personal nature
- Travel insurance
Air Transportation: Air transportation is restricted to the services of any IATA carrier, in economy class based on non-refundable fare. Travelers are responsible to provide their names as they appear in their passport. Ticketing will be made 30-45 days prior to departure, after which there will be a charge for name corrections. Tour price includes current airline taxes and fuel surcharges, which are subject to change until ticketed. Tour participants are responsible for any increase in airline taxes or fuel surcharges imposed by the airline.

Seat Assignments: Group seats are available approximately 30 days prior to departure and are assigned at the airline’s discretion. Please advise your travel consultant of any special seating needs due to health or mobility.

Accommodations: Based on two or more persons sharing a room in accommodations listed in itinerary, or similar. Single rooms are subject to availability at an additional charge. If a passenger cannot supply a roommate, the passenger is responsible for the additional charge.

Meals: In-flight meals and snacks are served according to airline policy. Breakfast and dinner will be provided daily.

Transfers and Baggage: Group transfers between airports and hotels upon arrival and departure are included in the tour price, including handling of one medium-sized suitcase per person, not exceeding 62 dimensional inches (length plus width plus height) or weighing more than a maximum of 50 pounds. Due to limited luggage storage space on motor coaches, it is important that each person bring only ONE piece of checked baggage. In addition, a flight bag or overnight case may be taken, which must be handled by the passenger at all times. Baggage allowance is subject to change according to airline policy.

Sightseeing and Entrance Fees: Are included as indicated in itinerary, using private motor coach or other conveyance, with local guides where necessary.

Tips and Taxes: Service charges and taxes on accommodations and tips to guides, drivers, and hotel staff are included. Tips for lunches and personal services are not included.

Not Included: Lunches and lunch tips, beverages with dinners, passport fee, travel protection insurance, checked baggage fees, and expenses of a purely personal nature are not included. Transportation from your home to departure city and return is not included.

Deposit and Payment: Reservations can be secured with a deposit payment of $500 per person. You will be invoiced for final payment, which is due January 12, 2015.

MTS Cancellation Conditions: The cancellation conditions outlined below apply to all passenger initiated cancellations. Should circumstances require that the passenger cancel, written notice of cancellation must be received by MTS TRAVEL a minimum of 100 days prior to departure to secure any refund of deposit funds.

- From date of deposit to and including December 2, 2014: $100 per person service fee applies (see exception*)
- From December 3, 2014 to and including January 12, 2015: Full deposit ($500 per person) plus any unrecoverable fees apply
- After January 12, 2015: No refund

Cancellation policies apply when cancellation occurs for any reason. There is no refund for any unused services or portion of the tour package.

*Exception: When tour is cancelled by the tour host, a $25 per person service fee will apply.

Protect Your Investment: Travel insurance is available to cover trip cancellation/interruption, trip delay, missed connection, baggage and personal effects loss, baggage delay, medical expenses, emergency evacuation & repatriation of remains, security evacuation and accidental death and dismemberment. Further information can be found on the following website http://www.travelguard.com/mtstravel. If full coverage of trip costs is purchased within 21 days of initial trip deposit, pre-existing medical conditions will be waived.

Passport, Visa & Health Requirements: A valid passport is required. If you do not have a passport, you should apply for one immediately. Information on obtaining or renewing a U.S. passport can be found at http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english.html. If you now have a passport, please verify that it is valid until September 27, 2015. A visa for Israel is not required for U.S. citizens. A group visa for Jordan will be provided free of charge for all tour members who have submitted a copy of the photo page of their passport to MTS Travel by January 12, 2015. Non-U.S. Citizens are responsible to fulfill entry requirements for countries to be visited by contacting the appropriate consulates. No inoculations are required, but please check with your physician for his recommendation.

Rates & Fares Information: Rates are based on a minimum of 21 persons traveling together. Fewer tour participants will result in a price increase. The quoted tour price is based on the current rate of exchange. Fluctuation in the foreign exchange rate can result in price increase.

Deviations: Any individual making a change in travel arrangements apart from this group program will be charged a service fee of $100 per person, plus any additional air or land costs incurred. If you choose to make your own travel arrangements (not through MTS Travel), we are not responsible for any charges or cancellation fees you may incur at any time.

Tour Operator Itinerary Changes: The itinerary as outlined is an indication of sequence and sites to be included in the tour program. However, the tour operator reserves the right to alter or change the itinerary and/or the sites included should it be deemed necessary due to local conditions, time restrictions, or other circumstances.

Traveler Safety: In the ever-changing world situation, MTS TRAVEL recommends personal monitoring of news about your destination. For the latest country information from the U.S. Dept. of State, please visit www.mtstravel.com and click “U.S. State Department Travel Warnings” in the middle of our home page. For the MTS Philosophy of Travel, please check on one of the following websites:

Disabilities: Guests with disabilities or dietary restrictions should inquire in advance about whether their needs can be accommodated.
Reservation Form
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Register online at: http://events.SignUp4.com/wingfieldmarch2015

Please complete and mail this form, along with your deposit of $500 per person (make checks payable to MTS Travel) to MTS TRAVEL, 116 Lake Street, Ephrata, PA 17522 or complete the credit card payment information below.

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Name 1 (as it appears on passport): ____________________________________________________________
Name 2 (as it appears on passport): ____________________________________________________________
Nickname for name badge: _________________________________________________________________
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Address: ________________________________________________________________________________
City, State, Zip: __________________________________________________________________________
Phone: (evening) ____________________________ (days) ____________________________ Cell: ____________________________
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Birthdate: ____________________________ Birthdate: ____________________________

Passport Copies: Please provide a clear copy of the photo page of your passport.

Star Alliance Frequent Flyer Number: ______________________________________________________________________

Special Dietary Requirements: ______________________________________________________________________

Airline Seat Requests: ____________________________________________________________________________

Do you need connecting flights?: ☐ Yes ☐ No  From where? ____________________________

Room Type: ☐ Twin (Two single beds) ☐ Double (one double bed) ☐ Single

Travel Insurance–Check One:
☐ Please send me a quotation for travel insurance.
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Credit Card Information: (Please provide billing address if different from that listed above.)

Please Charge: ☐ My Deposit of $__________  Total Charge
☐ Mastercard  ☐ Visa  ☐ Discover  ☐ American Express

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☐ I have read the Tour Features and Conditions for this tour and agree to the terms listed therein. I understand that the airline tickets or air tours I am purchasing are subject to supplemental price increases after the date of deposit due to additional charges imposed by a supplier or government. I acknowledge that I may be charged additional sums by MTS TRAVEL to offset increased fees, fuel surcharges, taxes, and fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination thereof. I hereby consent to any post-purchase price increases. MTS Travel has offered the option of purchasing travel insurance, and I take full responsibility for my decision to purchase or not.

Signature: ________________________________________________________________________________

Checking the box above and signature are both required in the processing of the registration of this tour.