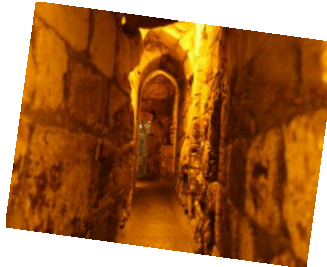




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MASONIC TRIP TO ISRAEL

3 – 14 SEPTEMBER 2016

In the Footsteps of Freemasonry

*Join the Grand Master, MW Brother Geoff Edwards OSM, on this
Tour to Israel*

DAY 1: 03 SEPTEMBER 2016: JOHANNESBURG – TEL AVIV

Depart from OR Tambo Johannesburg International Airport (JNB)

DAY 2: 04 SEPTEMBER 2016: TEL AVIV WHEN YOU COME INTO THE LAND (DEUTERONOMY 26:1)

Arrive at **Ben Gurion Airport** to be met and assisted by our representative.

Tour of **Old Jaffa**, including the ancient port, Clock Tower, alleyways and art galleries; hear stories about Jonah the Prophet, Mahmud Abu Nabout, St. Peter and Tabitha, and the **Masonic Legend of the Apron**. Proceed to the bustling city of **Tel Aviv**. Enjoy a **Mediterranean swim** on a beautiful Tel Aviv beach right near our hotel.

18.30 Cocktail reception at Dan Panorama TA, Bar "Galey Yafo".

19.30 Welcome dinner at the hotel in private section main dining room.

Overnight: Dan Panorama Hotel, Tel Aviv [D]

DAY 3: 05 SEPTEMBER 2016: FOUNDATION OF THE MODERN STATE

09.00 + 09.15 Climb down into the amazing underground, pre-State bullet factory built by the Haganah under the noses of the British at the **Ayalon Institute**.

12.00 At **Independence Hall**, relive David Ben Gurion's moving declaration of the State; discuss whether it seems that the vision of Israel's founding fathers – articulated in the Scroll of Independence – has come to fruition.

Browse through unique craft items in **Nahalat Binyamin's** colorful, open-air market and enjoy modern Tel Aviv in action. **1 bus is to return to the hotel for the men attending the Lodge meeting, and women wishing to relax at the hotel before evening's dinner.**

16.30 - 19.30 Brief tour of the Holy Land Lodge **prior to tying** for our evening **meeting with the Holy Land Lodge**, made up of brethren from other Jurisdictions affiliated with the Lodge, so as to reinforce the universal brotherhood.

20.00 Meeting will be followed by a banquet dinner at **Liliyot restaurant**.

Overnight: Dan Panorama Hotel, Tel Aviv [B, D].

DAY 4: 06 SEPTEMBER 2016: LAYERS OF HISTORY

We have an early departure for the **Mediterranean coast**. Visit the excavations at **Caesaria's (Maritima)**. Continue north to **Acco**, a city of many religions and a UNESCO Heritage City; Tour the vast underground **Crusader Fortress** and tour of the **Knight's Halls**.

12.30 Enjoy **lunch at Crusader restaurant in the Knight's Halls** in to be joined by some brethren from the renowned **Acco Lodge**.

14.45 - 16.45 Tour the synagogues, courtyards, and alleyways of the mystical city of **Tzefat**.

17.45 Enjoy a beautiful **boat ride** in a traditional wooden boat on the **Sea of Galilee**. Check in Overnight and dinner: Kibbutz Nof Ginnosar Hotel [B, L, D]

DAY 5: 07 SEPTEMBER 2016: GALILEE, GOLAN HEIGHTS, AND ASCENT TO JERUSALEM

07.45 Departure

Tour Galilee Christian Holy sites:

8.00-9.00 Capernaum, the focal point of Jesus' ministry; drive by **Tabgha**, the traditional site of the miracle of fish and loaves on our way to the

9.15-10.15 Mount of Beatitudes, site of the Sermon on the Mount.

Ascend the **Golan Heights** and gaze down over the Galilee; Travel south, Israel's border with Jordan, for the ascent to Jerusalem.

11.15-12.15 Mount Bental.

12.45-13.45 Kaztrin stop for lunch on own.

14.30-15.30 At Yardenit, at the **Jordan River baptismal site**, we attend a special baptism with a Pastor.

16.30-17.30 In **Nazareth**, the boyhood home of Jesus, visit the church of the Annunciation and Mary's well. Drive through **Cana**, where Jesus turned water into wine at a wedding feast and also healed a sick young nobleman.

19.30 Enter Jerusalem and take in a breathtaking view of the Old City from the **Haas Promenade**.

Overnight and **dinner**: Dan Hotel, Jerusalem [B, D].

DAY 5: 08 SEPTEMBER 2016: THOSE WHO MADE A DIFFERENCE

7.30-8.15 Breakfast in main dining room.

8.15-9.30 attend a Meeting and **Lecture with Gil Hoffman**, in private room.

10.15 Visit the newly-opened state-of-the art Memorial Museum, the Children's Memorial, and the Valley of the Communities at **Yad Vashem** (to arrive at 10.00).

Take a sobering walk through the history of the Jewish State at the **Har Herzl Military Cemetery**.

Walk through colorful, bustling **Machaneh Yehuda** open-air market.

Visit the **Western Wall** (Kotel) to join the thousands who will be streaming there to welcome the Jewish Sabbath.

19.30 Shared **Sabbath dinner** at the hotel- main dining room- private section.

Overnight and dinner: Dan Hotel, Jerusalem [B, D]

DAY 6: 09 SEPTEMBER 2016: HEAVENLY JERUSALEM AND BETHLEHEM

Optional: Shabbat services at a synagogue of your choice (suggestions directions to be provided).

Take in a breathtaking view of the **Temple Mount**, including Mount Moriah and the Dome of the Rock, from atop the **Mount of Olives**; walk down to the **Garden of Gethsemane** and see the ancient olive trees.

11.30 Tour the **Garden Tomb**, the site of the crucifixion of Jesus, according to Protestant tradition, then visit **Bethlehem**, including **Shepherd's Field** and the **Church of the Nativity**.

Free evening to enjoy Jerusalem **night life** (*on one's own*).

19.15 Dinner at hotel- main dining room.

21.00 Attend **The Night Spectacular**, the new sound and light show at the **Tower of David Museum**.

Overnight and dinner: Dan Hotel, Jerusalem [B, D].

DAY 7: 10 SEPTEMBER 2016: JERUSALEM OF OLD

Early morning: Opportunity to ascend the **Temple Mount** (optional and subject to availability).

Visit the **Kotel Tunnels**, walk alongside the massive foundation stones of the Western Wall (*first half of tour is wheelchair accessible*).

Walk along the **Via Dolorosa** to the **Church of the Holy Sepulcher**.

Visit the **Jewish Quarter** and **Christian Quarter** and enjoy some free time for browsing in the colorful **Arab Market**.

Masonic meeting at **Zedekiah's Cave** (Solomon's Quarries), where the first Masonic Lodge in the Holy Land, the **Royal Solomon Mother Lodge** No. 293, met on May 7, 1873, with the **Lodge of the Holy City**.

Dinner at the hotel- PRIVATE ROOM, to be joined by Jerusalem brethren.

Overnight and dinner: Dan Hotel, Jerusalem [B, D].

DAY 8: 11 SEPTEMBER 2016: JERUSALEM THEN AND NOW

8.00-9.30 **Torah reading ceremony** at Robinson's Arch -

Explore the **Southern Wall Excavations** and learn more about the ancient Jerusalem Temple at the **Davidson Centre**.

12.00 **Ammunition Hill**, see a terrific new audio-video presentation about the fierce Six Day War battle for Jerusalem; enter former Jordanian bunkers.

Take a panoramic bus tour of **modern Jerusalem** including the President's House, Knesset (Parliament), Supreme Court, etc.

At the **Israel Museum**, visit the new Shrine of the Book; the newly reopened Model of Jerusalem in the Second Temple Period; art, archeology, and Judaica exhibits.

Dinner at hotel- main dining room.

20.00 Meeting and **Lecture with Neil Lazarus**— in private room at hotel

Overnight and dinner: Dan Hotel, Jerusalem [B, D].

DAY 9: 12 SEPTEMBER 2016: FREEDOM FIGHTERS OR FANATICS?

Early morning departure for the **Dead Sea Region**.

Ascend **Masada** by cable car. Tour this magnificent excavation and a discussion of the terrible dilemma faced by its Jewish population during Roman times.

Enjoy a walk through the beautiful **Ein Gedi** Nature Reserve to the waterfall and review the biblical story of kings David and Saul "on site".

Stop for a dip and mud baths at the amazing **Dead**.

Visit the excavation of **Qumran**, home of the mysterious ancient sect that authored the Dead Sea Scrolls (time permitting).

Overnight and dinner: Dan Hotel, Jerusalem [B, D].

DAY 10: 13 SEPTEMBER 2016: FOOTLOOSE IN JERUSALEM

Enjoy a day at leisure to take in the sounds and sights of Jerusalem on one's own

Optional Tour the **Temple Institute** – where history comes to life. See actual replicas of vessels, priestly garb, spices, etc., that were used in the ancient Temple service.

19.00 – Farewell dinner at Medita restaurant – Evening transfer to **Ben Gurion**

DAY 11: 14 SEPTEMBER 2016: TEL AVIV – JOHANNESBURG

Touchdown at Johannesburg's O.R.Tambo, International airport.

TOUR COST: R30 934.00 PER PERSON SHARING IN A DOUBLE / TWIN ROOM

(Rates based on a minimum of 25 passengers traveling together)

Deposit payment of R5000.00 per person is required to secure your place. Kindly note that limited space is available for this tour.

Please complete the reservation and fax it to our office as soon as possible

<u>INCLUDED</u>	<u>NOT INCLUDED</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Economy return airfare ex Johannesburg in economy class• Airport taxes and fuel surcharges• Meals as per itinerary (B) – Breakfast, (L) – Lunch & (D) – Dinner• Accommodation on a twin share basis in 4 star superior hotels• English speaking tour guides and luxury coaches• Sightseeing and entrance fees as per itinerary• Masonic meetings as per itinerary	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Domestic flights ex CPT, PLZ, DUR• Single room optional R13 191.15• Travel insurance

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