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Day-tour with Yad Ben Zvi

Sunday 16/11/2014

Journey through the ancient holy sites of Jerusalem

Let us tour the holiest city in the world, from sacred traditions to everyday customs, from familiar sites to hidden corners.

Jews, Muslims, and Christians over the world have cast their eyes towards Jerusalem. Throughout the years, communities from these world religions and from the four corners of the earth have congregated here. Some made Jerusalem their home several generations ago, and some came to Jerusalem only recently.

In the course of the tour, we will trace the tracks of the different traditions and try to sense some of the sacredness of those special places.

The sites of the tour include:

Mount Scopus lookout, Mount Olive lookout

Jaffa Gate – the 16th Ottoman gate which is located on the western side of the old city, it is the main entrance from the western section to the eastern

The Church of the Holy Sepulcher-originally built by the mother of Emperor Constantine in 330 A.D., the Church of the Holy Sepulcher commemorates the hill of crucifixion and the tomb of Christ's burial.

Via Dolorosa- the street within the Old City of Jerusalem, held to be the path that Jesus walked, carrying his cross, on the way to his crucifixion.

Western Wall- the most significant site in the world for the Jewish people. The western wall was part of the most magnificent building Jerusalem had ever seen, it was one of four walls Herod the great built to support the plaza on which the Temple stood.

Mount Zion- is a draw to all three major religions that interface in Jerusalem, the place of the room of the Last Supper and the home of the high priest Caiaphas.

Duration of the tour: 5 hours

Departure time and location: 10:00 am from Ben-Gurion Airport

After the tour ends, the bus takes participants to the various conference lodgings at Mashabim (expected arrival time 6:30 pm), Sde Boqer (expected arrival time 7:00pm) and Mitzpe-Ramon (expected arrival time 7:30pm).

Guide name and phone number: TBA