



Christ the King Anglican Church

with Shoresh Study Tours & Missions Valley Travel

ISRAEL: THE LIFE & WORLD OF JESUS

May 22 – June 1, 2025 | ctkbirmingham.org/israel

General Information

Initial Intake Form

In order to obtain access to the full details of the Israel Trip you must complete the [CTK Intake Form](#) found on our website. You will then be placed on a mailing list where you will begin to receive all Israel related communications.

Registration and Payment

The registration and payments landing page created by Missions Valley Travel will be shared with you after you submit the CTK Intake Form. Your spot will only be reserved when the **deposit of \$750** per person is received. NOTE: You are responsible for obtaining your own flights to/from Israel.

Registration & Deposits must be received no later than January 19, 2025 via the Shoresh/Missions Valley Travel landing page. (Please see our website and/or the MVT landing page for the full terms and conditions)

By March 22, 2025, your trip must be paid in full (**\$2,966 per person, double occupancy; an additional \$981 for single occupancy travelers**). Single travelers may request to be assigned a roommate to avoid paying the single occupancy fee.

NOTE: If we do not get at least 20 people the individual costs rise.

Important Dates

- **Now through November 30, 2024:** Submit the Intake Form on ctkbirmingham.org/israel
- **No later than January 19, 2025:** Submit a \$750 deposit with each registrant to hold your spot via the Mission Valley Travel landing page (provided to you via email after filling out the intake form)
- **March 22, 2025:** Registrants must be paid in full (\$2,966 total per person, additional \$981 for single traveler).
- **March 2025:** Mandatory meeting with trip participants (exact date TBD).
- **May 22 – June 1, 2025:** Israel trip!

Flights

Please book your flights into Ben Gurion, Tel Aviv, to arrive no later than 5:15pm on Thursday, May 22, 2025. All participants are responsible for transportation to/from their departing airport. (If we find that the majority of trip participants are flying out of BHM/ATL at the same time, CTK may decide to offer transportation to the airport at an additional cost, in which case, you will be notified of this option.) Please submit your flight information at ctkbirmingham.org/israel.

Airport → Hotel in Israel: Typically direct flights from the USA land in Israel between 4:00 and 6:00 in the afternoon so if the group is arriving on separate flights Shoresh will be there at 4PM and then the group would depart for the hotel after everyone from the last flight has arrived (no later than 6PM!) Guests landing outside of the window would need to take a taxi to the hotel and pay the fees associated with that.

Hotel → Airport in Israel: Shoresh will offer free transportation to the airport at 8PM on the last day. If your flight leaves earlier in the day, you will need to make your own arrangements to get to the airport and pay that fee.

Other Notes

- Expect to walk at least 4 miles per day while in Israel.
- The local time in Israel is 8 hours ahead of ALABAMA (CDT) TIME.
- Tap water is safe to drink in Israel, and bottled water is available in most places. Breakfast and dinner will be provided each day, with each trip participant responsible for their own lunch (roughly 65–110 NIS each, cash only).
- You can request NIS from your local bank three weeks prior to the trip, bring dollars to exchange, or withdraw NIS using an ATM if your card is honored in Israel. Bring a valid major credit card and alert your bank of travel.

Before the Trip

- Confirm that you have a passport that is valid through November 2025.
- Obtain *mandatory* travel insurance with COVID coverage, within 14 days of the trip (via Missions Valley Travel or on your own)
- Make sure that you have European electrical plug adapters (and that your electronics can handle 230V, 50Hz AC).
- Check with your cell phone provider about international calls/texts. Wifi will be available most evenings.
- Read the Bible (we recommend reading the four Gospels) and prepare to meet God in Israel as we explore the life and world of Jesus together.

Contact

Chrissy Coblenz will be providing administrative support and coordination on the front end of this trip. You can contact her at chrissy@ctkbirmingham.org or by calling the church office at 205-822-1700. All information will be posted to the trip page at ctkbirmingham.org/israel as it becomes available.