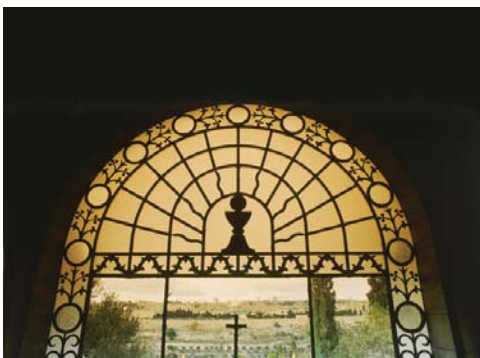
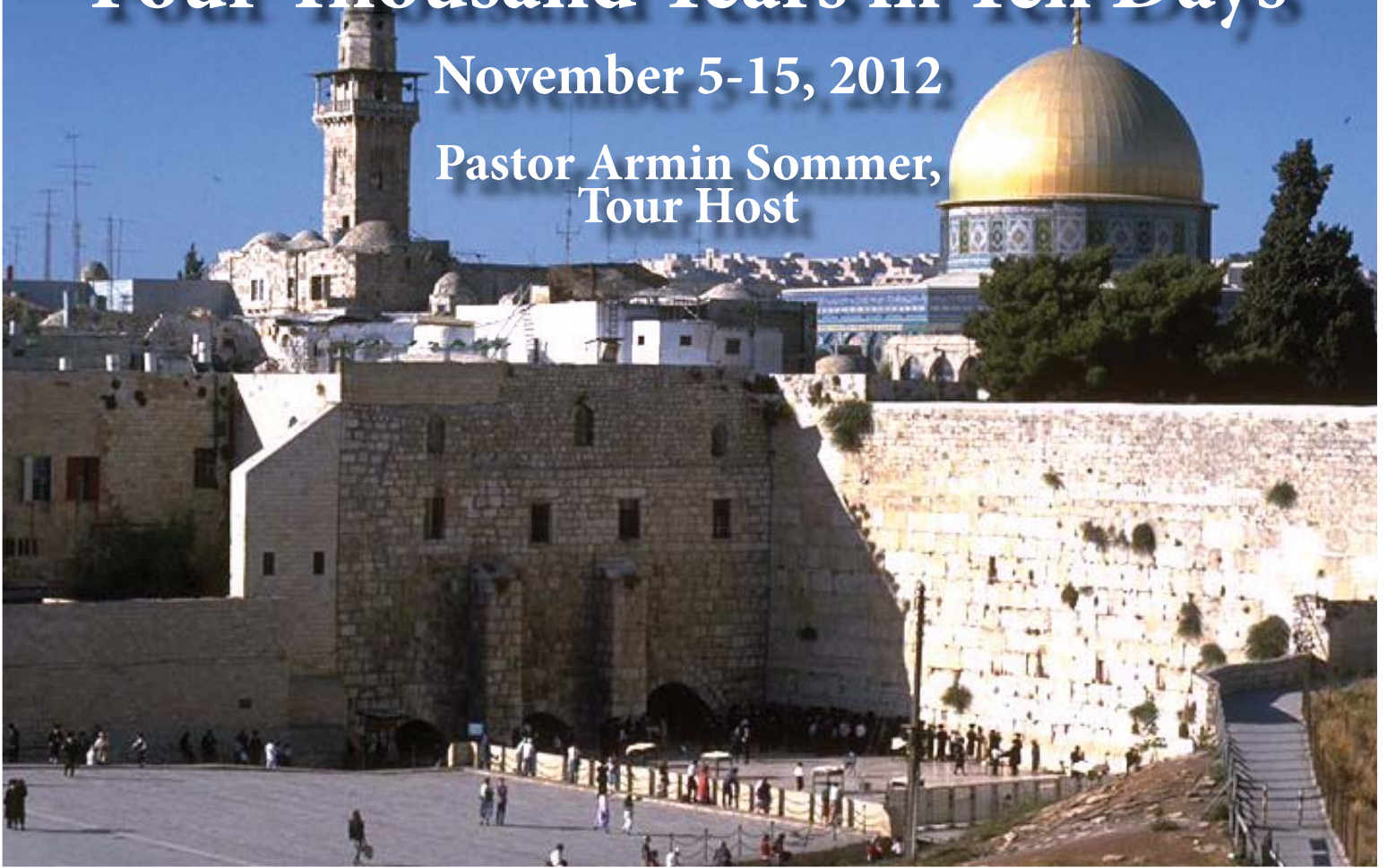


Four Thousand Years in Ten Days

November 5-15, 2012

Pastor Armin Sommer,
Tour Host



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Monday, November 5 **Departure**

Depart from Newark Liberty International Airport on a transatlantic flight.

Tuesday, November 6 **Arrive Tel Aviv – Netanya**

Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport. Drive through the agricultural stretches of the Sharon Plain, carpeted with orange groves and persimmon trees, to Netanya, located along the western coast of Israel on the Mediterranean Sea. Dinner and overnight in Netanya at the Seasons Hotel.

Wednesday, November 7 **Netanya – The Galilee**



Drive north along the seacoast to Caesarea Maritima, with its magnificent harbor, theater and aqueduct constructed during the reign of Herod. It was here that Peter explained the way of salvation to Cornelius. Continue to Mount

Carmel, where Elijah challenged the prophets of Baal. Follow the Via Maris (Way of the Sea) to Megiddo, the city that dominated this strategic trade route from Egypt to Mesopotamia. Explore its extensive excavations, including Ahab's stables, a grain silo, and an ancient underground water system. Drive to Jesus' boyhood hometown of Nazareth, viewing the present day city from Mount Precipice, where the townsfolk tried to throw Jesus off the cliff. From here, view the mountain of Tabor and remember the story of Deborah the Prophetess, Barak and Yael, where a woman was credited with the victory! Stop at Mary's Well and the Church of Annunciation, believed to be built over the home of Mary. Dinner and overnight in Tiberias at the Scots Hotel.

Thursday, November 8 **Sea of Galilee**

See the "Jesus Boat," found buried under an exposed section of the lakebed during a drought in 1986 and now displayed at Yigal Museum at Kibbutz Nof Ginosar. From here, depart on a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, with time for meditation on the lake. Disembark



at Capernaum, the town used as a base by Christ during his ministry. See the remains of the fourth-century synagogue and the nearby house of St. Peter. Ascend the Mt. of Beatitudes, and listen to Jesus' teachings. Walk down the hill to Tabgha to visit the Church of the Loaves and Fishes and the Church of St. Peter's Primacy at the northwestern shore of the lake, an area intense with Christian memories. Continue to Caesarea Philippi (Baniyas), a source of the Jordan at the foot of Mt. Hermon—where Peter confessed his recognition of Jesus as the Christ. Enjoy a nature walk at Tel Dan and visit the high place where Jeroboam son of Nebat set up a golden calf. Return to the Scots Hotel for dinner and overnight.

Friday, November 9 **Tiberias – Jerusalem**

Visit the mound of Beth Shean, hearing the story of Saul and viewing the ruins of Roman Scythopolis. Drive

south through the Jordan Valley, viewing the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan across the Jordan River. Stop at Jericho to visit the tel of this oldest city, and view the traditional mountain of Jesus' temptation. Continue to Qasr al-Yahud, the site where according to tradition, Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist. Overnight in Jerusalem at the David Citadel Hotel.



Saturday, November 10 **Jerusalem**



Begin the day on top of the Mount of Olives, and behold the majestic Holy City of Jerusalem lying before you. Visit the Church of Pater Noster, where you can see the Lord's Prayer inscribed in over 100 languages. After viewing the Golden Gate, follow the traditional Palm Sunday route to the church known as Dominus Flevit ("the Lord weeps"). Continue downhill to Gethsemane, and visit the Church of All Nations. Continue

to the City of David to explore the ancient water system. Those who wish may wade through Hezekiah's Tunnel, pausing at the recently discovered Pool of Siloam. This tunnel is 1750 feet long and was carved during the reign of Hezekiah to bring water from one side of the city to the other. Drive to Mt. Zion to the grounds of the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu, which affords the best view of early Jerusalem from the west. Also visit the Upper Room, the proposed location of the Last Supper. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

Sunday, November 11 **Jerusalem / Old City**

Explore the Jewish Quarter excavations in the Old City, including the Byzantine main street (Cardo) and the Broad Wall of King Hezekiah. See the Western Wall, Judaism's holiest site, and the southern steps of the Temple, where Jesus spoke to His disciples. Walk through the Western Wall Tunnel, where additional portions of the wall, as well as other structures beneath it, have been excavated. Ascend to the Dome of the Rock and the al-Aqsa Mosque, located on the traditional site of the ancient Temple Mount. See the Pools of Bethesda and St. Anne's Church, with its excellent acoustics. Follow the Via Dolorosa (Way of the Cross) to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Dinner and overnight at David Citadel Hotel.

Monday, November 12 **Dead Sea Area**

Depart Jerusalem this morning, driving south along the Dead Sea to Masada. Take the cable car to the top, visiting Herod's mountain bunker and the last stronghold of the Jewish revolt against Rome (66-73 AD). Stop at the



nature reserve at En Gedi, the region where David fled from King Saul and cut off a part of his robe in a cave. Enjoy a swim in the Dead Sea (weather permitting), where it is almost impossible to sink, because of the high salt density! Continue through the Judean desert to Qumran. View Cave # 4, which contained the greatest quantity of Dead Sea scrolls. Return to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight at the hotel.

Tuesday, November 13 Bethlehem / Jerusalem

Travel to Beit Sahour to see the Shepherds' Fields before continuing to Bethlehem to the Church of the Nativity, built over the site believed to be the place of Jesus' birth. Bethlehem is also an excellent place to buy items that are hand carved from olive wood. Return to Jerusalem for free time to explore on your own, perhaps bargaining for gifts and souvenirs in the suk! Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem at David Citadel Hotel.

Wednesday, November 14 Jerusalem / New City



The morning is free for packing or last-minute exploration. This afternoon drive to the New City, passing by the Knesset, to visit the Shrine of the Book, where many of the Dead Sea Scrolls are displayed. View the model of Jerusalem,

representing how the city looked on the eve of the Jewish revolt, 36 years after the Passion of Jesus. Explore Yad Vashem, with its latest addition including the Holocaust History Museum, the Hall of Names and the Museum of Holocaust Art. At the end of the day, share Communion at the Garden Tomb. A special Farewell Banquet is offered at the Ambassador Hotel tonight, featuring the best of Middle Eastern cuisine. Transfer to Ben Gurion Airport for the overnight flight to the U.S.

Thursday, November 15 Arrive US

Arrive at Newark Airport early this morning.

For more information, contact:

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About Your Tour Host:



Armin B. Sommer is the Senior Pastor at Grace Church in Netcong, New Jersey. Armin has more than 32 years of experience in ministry, with 27 of those as Senior Pastor. He believes that his highest calling is to accurately and effectively communicate the Word of God.

Armin and Nancy have been married for 35 years and have two grown daughters, Rachel and Kristin, and two grandsons. Armin and Nancy enjoy water sports (swimming, fishing, and boating) in the summer and cross-country skiing in the winter. Their favorite past-time is early morning coffee together. Armin and Nancy share a household with Nancy's mother, Gunhilde Shults. The Sommer family members are all loyal devotees of St. Arbucks (Starbucks).

Tour Price: \$4,329 per person, based on sharing a double room

Single Room Supplement: \$1,175

Optional Group Insurance: \$269 per person (non-refundable)

This tour price reflects special group rates. Deposits received after July 31, 2012, will likely incur additional charges due to supplier contract terms.

Tour Price Includes:

- *Round-trip airfare from Newark Liberty International Airport*
- *Accommodations listed in itinerary, or similar*
- *Breakfast and dinner daily*
- *Sightseeing and entrance fees to sites listed in itinerary*
- *English speaking guides throughout*
- *Driver and transportation in air-conditioned motor coaches*
- *Hotel service charges and local taxes*
- *Airlines taxes and fuel surcharges (Currently \$600; subject to change)*
- *Tips to guide, driver and hotel staff*

Not Included:

- *Passport fees*
- *Optional Group Travel Insurance*
- *Lunches and lunch tips*
- *Beverages with dinners*
- *Items of a personal nature*

Tour Features and Conditions

*Please read all Tour Features and Conditions carefully.
Payment of tour deposit constitutes acceptance of these conditions.*

Air Transportation: Air transportation is restricted to the services of any IATA carrier, in economy class based on nonrefundable 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 of \$600, which are subject to change until ticketed. *Tour participants are responsible for any increase in airline taxes or fuel surcharges imposed by the airline.*

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. Tips for lunches and beverages with dinners are not included.

Transfers and Baggage: 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 motorcoaches, 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 motorcoach or other conveyance, with local guides where necessary.

Tips and Taxes: Service charges and taxes on accommodations are included. Tips to guides, drivers, and hotel staff are included. Tips for personal services are not included and are at tour member's own expense.

Not Included: Passport fee, lunches, travel protection insurance, and expenses of a purely personal nature are not included. Transportation from your home to Newark International Airport and return is not included.

Deposit and Payment: Reservations may be secured upon payment of a deposit of \$500 per person. You will be invoiced for final payment, which is due September 6, 2012.

MTS Cancellation Conditions: Refund of full deposit (less \$100 administrative fee) will be made up to July 31, 2012. If cancellation occurs between August 1 and October 5, 2012, a fee of \$500 will be charged, plus unrecoverable airline, hotel and tour operator payments. There is no refund after October 5, 2012, or for unused tour services.

Protect Your Investment: MTS TRAVEL strongly recommends purchasing this primary insurance coverage. If you purchase the protection plan within 21 days of enrollment any restriction on pre-existing conditions is waived. If protection plan is purchased after the 21 days, all coverage is subject to exclusion of pre-existing conditions. Certain conditions, exclusions and limitations apply as

set out in the Evidence of Coverage and Confirmation of Coverage, which you will receive upon receipt of deposit. You will have ten days to review coverage and cancel your policy.

Following is a brief description of coverage:

- This protection plan will cover you for cancellation fees if you need to cancel because of death, injury or illness to you, your traveling companion or your immediate family member.
- Medical Evacuation: \$250,000
- Medical Expenses: \$25,000
- Baggage loss/delay: \$1,500/\$250

A valid passport is required. If you do not have a passport, you should apply for one immediately. Information on obtaining a passport will be provided upon receipt of deposit. If you now have a passport, please verify that it is valid until May 16, 2013. A visa for Israel is not required for U.S. citizens. Non-U.S. citizens are responsible to fulfill entry requirements by contacting the consulate beforehand.

All rates and fares are based on current information and are subject to change. Rates are based on a minimum of 23 persons traveling together.

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.

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.

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.

Guests with disabilities or dietary restrictions should inquire in advance about whether their needs can be accommodated.

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**Reservation Form
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Please reserve space as follows:

Enclosed is my deposit check of \$_____ (\$500 per person.)

Please make check payable to MTS TRAVEL or complete credit card information below.

(Please Print)

Name 1 (as it appears on passport): _____

Name 2 (as it appears on passport): _____

Nickname for name badge: _____

Nickname for name badge: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: (evening) _____ (days) _____ Cell: _____

E-mail: _____ E-Mail: _____

Birthdate: _____ Birthdate: _____

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

Room Type: Twin/Double Single Rooming With: _____

Travel Protection Insurance—Check One:

I/we wish to be covered by cancellation insurance.

(Include \$269 per person with your deposit check. The \$269 is not refundable.)

I/we do NOT wish to be covered by the cancellation insurance.

Credit Card Information:

Please Charge: My Deposit of \$_____ + \$_____ Travel Insurance = \$_____ Total Charge

Mastercard Visa Discover American Express

Name as it appears on card (printed): _____

Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____ Security Code: _____

I have read the Tour Features and Conditions for this tour and agree to the terms listed therein.

Signature: _____