

In Memory of Her Itinerary Dec 28 2023 - Jan 10 2024

Dec 28 - Day 1 - Thursday - depart the US late night from JFK.

Dec 29 - Day 2 - Friday - arrive and transfer to the hotel in Joppa/Tel Aviv

Dec 30 - Day 3 -Saturday - Hike Tel Timnah - the home of **Tamar and Delilah** and Samson. Transfer to Bethlehem. Visit and worship at Shepherd's Fields. Lunch with women of Noor Weg <https://noorweg.wordpress.com/> at Aida Camp. Visit the Church of the Nativity. Overnight in Bethlehem.

Dec 31 - Day 4 - Sunday Worship at Baraka Church, have fellowship with the church, and hear from Rev. Danny Awad about the history of the church. Lunch at the historic Palestinian village of Battir. Travel to the old city of Hebron. Walk through the old city markets to see the tomb of the Patriarchs and the Matriarch **Sarah**. Visit a glass shop In Hebron. ****Celebrate New Year!!**** Overnight in Bethlehem.

Jan 1 - Day 5 - Leave early to Nablus and Visit Jacob's Well and remember the **Samaritan Woman, Rachel and Leah**. Visit Tel Balatah thought to be the city of Shechem to remember the rape of **Dinah and Gideon's unnamed concubine**. Transfer to Jericho, visit Tel es-Sultan to Remember **Rahab** in Jericho - the ancient city, which was destroyed much earlier than when Israel came to the land but lends some texture to Rahab's story. Head south to Sodom to see the salt formation commemorating **Lot's wife**, then enjoy swimming in the Dead Sea/spa. Overnight at the Dead Sea.

Jan 2 - Day 6 - Tuesday - Later morning departure for the Aqaba crossing to Jordan - stop briefly at the Red Sea, remember and maybe dance a little to commemorate **Miriam** and drive to Petra for overnight in Petra.

Jan 3 - Day 7 Wednesday- visit Petra and remember Herod Antipas' wife, an unnamed **Nabatean Princess** who he divorced to marry **Herodias** - Overnight in Petra.

Jan 4 - Day 8 - Thursday - visit the land of the Moabites, honor **Ruth** and **Naomi**, visit Mt. Nebo and think of Moses, **Miriam** and Aaron. See the ancient mosaic map of the Holy Land at Madaba, and visit Bethany Beyond Jordan to renew our baptism. Depart Jordan at the Allenby Bridge. Overnight in Tiberius.

Jan 5 - Day 9 - Friday -An early morning visit to Magdala to remember **Mary Magdalene**, and **the woman with the flow of blood**, the chapel dedicated **to all the women of the Bible**, including those **women who are not named**. Enjoy a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. Special fish lunch along the Sea of Galilee. Visit Capernaum and see the house of Peter where Jesus healed **Peter's mother-in-law**. We will visit nearby Biblical sites - Primacy of St. Peter, Tagbah, the Mt. of Beatitudes. Overnight in Tiberias.

Jan 6 - Day 10- Saturday - Drive to The Valley of Armageddon and remember **Deborah and the Witch of Endor** in the shadow of Mt. Tabor. Visit a Palestinian village and see the church commemorating the raising of the **widow's son** by Jesus. Remember the **Shunamite woman** from a nearby village. Take a short hike up the Mt. of Precipice for an overview of the places and stories of **many women in the Bible**. Visit the Basilica of the Annunciation in Nazareth which commemorates **Mary**. Lunch and program at Sindyanna of Galilee - an Arab/Jewish women's cooperative. Walk up Tel Megiddo and end the day with a short hike in the valley of the Kenites remembering **Jael and Sisera's mother** from the book of Judges. Overnight in Jerusalem.

Jan 7 - Day 11- Monday - After stopping at **Rachel's Tomb**, walk the Old City along parts of the Via Dolorosa, ending at Golgotha and remembering the **women at the cross and tomb**. Leave the Old City for the rooftops of the Palestinian neighborhood of Silwan to remember **Bathsheba** as we overlook the City of David. End the day at the Garden Tomb, and celebrate communion, remembering the **woman who anointed Jesus**. Overnight in Jerusalem.

Jan 8 - Day 12 Tuesday A visit to Haram Al-Sharif and Al-Aqsa Mosque. Learn about the women in the Quran who are also in the Bible. - Caiaphas' house and remember **the young woman who recognized Peter**. Visit Bethany - the tomb of Lazarus near the home of **Mary and Martha**. Continue to Ein Karem and visit the site that celebrates the Magnificat and **Mary and Elizabeth**. We end our day with closing worship and dinner. Transfer to the airport with a late night departure to the US.

Jan 9 - Day 13 - Thursday - Early morning arrival in the US.