

Bishop Hee Soo Jung
 Ohio Episcopal Areas
 10 Day Fact Finding & Peace Studies Program in Israel and Palestine
 14—23 November 2026
 4 Day elective Pre Trip *The Tent of Nations* departing 10 November 2026
 OR
 4 Day Pre Trip Elective: *The Wonders of Petra & Jordan* departing 10 November 2026
 Syllabus

Objectives:

- To gain understanding of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, its impact on neighboring countries, possibilities for resolution
- To learn through conversation and dialogue with Israelis and Palestinians
- To explore the dynamics of conflict and examine the fundamentals of conflict resolution
- To explore the religious dimensions of conflict
- To examine models of effective advocacy

Itinerary:

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| Day 1
14.11, Sa | Depart USA |
| Day 2
15.11, Su | Arrive Tel Aviv, transfer to hotel, orientation and introduction
overnight in Taybeh |
| Day 3
16.11, M | Theme: Palestinian Resistance & Activism
Field trip: Seth Franz (Jerusalem Post), Mazin Qumsiyeh, Dar al Kalima (The Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb), Sabeel, visit Taybeh brewery (time permitting)
overnight in Taybeh |
| Day 4
17.11, Tu | Theme: Zionism Reconsidered—Christian and Jewish
Field trip: Beit El—meeting with Hagi Ben Artzi, Kibbutz Mishmar ha Emek—meeting with journalist/activist Lydia Aisenberg, Ibillin—meeting with Fr Elias Chacour,
overnight in Galilee, dinner on your own |
| Day 5
18.11, W | Theme: The Jordan River Valley
Field trip: Capernaum, the Sea of Galilee
overnight in Bethlehem |
| Day 6
19.11, Th | Theme: Gaza, the Negev & Israel's Bedouin
Field trip: Gaza perimeter settlements, Nova festival site, Al Sira (Bedouin Village)
overnight in Bethlehem |

- Day 7
20.11, F Theme: Progressive Israeli Perspectives
Field trip: Reut Macabbim, Rabbi Jeremy Milgrom, Breaking the Silence, Betsalem (Israeli human rights advocacy), Seth Frantzman (Jerusalem Post)
Forum 5:00 PM Breaking the Silence (Talitha Kumi)
overnight in Bethlehem
- Day 8
21.11, Su Theme: The Eye of the Storm
Field trip: Harem esh Sharraf, WAQF/the Islamic Trust
overnight in Bethlehem
- Day 9
22.11, M Theme: Hebron & Competing Narratives
Field trip: Tent of Nations, Al Arub refugee camp, Hebron: meeting with Jewish Community of Hebron, Hebron Rehabilitation Committee
overnight in Bethlehem
- Day 10
23.11, Tu Return to USA

4 Day Pre Trip Elective: Solidarity and Advocacy *The Tent of Nations*, \$1,229 (or \$893—on site lodging)

- Day 1—4
10—14.11 transfer to Tent of Nations, lodging on site or in hotel
Tu—Su volunteer work

- Day 14
14.11, Sa Continue with 10 Day Journey (above)
Discretionary Day (TBD)

4 Day Elective: The Wonders of Petra & Jordan, \$1, 692 based on 10 enrolled

- Day 1
10, 11, Tu Theme: The Negev and Wadi Araba
Field trip: Hebron (Gen 13, 23), Cave of Macphelah/Ibrahimi Mosque, The Negev, Ein Avdat, Maktesh Ramon, Araba crossing into Jordan,
Dinner on your own
Overnight Aqaba.
- Day 2
11.11, W Theme: Desert Exploration
Field trip: Wadi Rum jeep safari (optional), Al Beidha (Neolithic settlement), Siq al Barid (Little Petra), Overnight Wadi Musa
- Day 3
12.11, Th Theme: Exploration and Wonder
Field trip: Full day exploration of Petra, Overnight Wadi Musa

Day 4 Theme: The Desert Highway & the King's Highway
13.11, F Field trip: Shoback Castle (overview), Madaba, Mt. Nebo, Overnight Bethlehem

Day 1 Continue with 10 Day Journey (above)
14.11, Sa Discretionary Day (TBD)

- Worship will be arranged in Nazareth and/or in Jerusalem with indigenous Christians.
- Meetings indicated in the itinerary are illustrative only and subject to change until confirmed. Meetings with indigenous people are always subject to change due to local circumstances. Appropriate substitutions will be made in the event a speaker is unavailable.
- Daily itinerary is subject to local conditions, including weather, opening and closing hours, holidays, flight schedules, etc. Unavoidable modifications may be made due to local circumstances or to optimize the itinerary and these changes are not any basis for cancellation.
- Morning and evening fora on various topics will be arranged throughout the program