



“LIVING STONES” SOLIDARITY TOUR – PALESTINE AND ISRAEL

PALESTINE – June 6-18, 2026

OPTIONAL JORDAN EXTENSION – June 18-21

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PALESTINE LAND COST – \$2595 (20+ travelers) \$2995 (15-19 travelers) \$3495 (10-14 travelers) \$3995 (8-9 travelers)

OPTIONAL JORDAN EXTENSION – \$595 (15+ travelers) \$725 (10-14 travelers) \$795 (8-9 travelers)

ADD AIRFARE – You book your own flight to/from Tel Aviv (TLV)

The Tour Price **DOES** include

Entrance fees to listed sites
Hotels – **St. George’s** – East Jerusalem; **Gloria**, Old City, Jerusalem; **Manger Square**, Bethlehem;
Ramallah – all rooms double occupancy
Two meals daily on average (*breakfast every day*)
Deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
Certified Guide (*Al-Aqsa, Khan al-Ahmar*)

The Tour Price **DOES NOT** include

* **Airfare to/from Tel Aviv (TLV)**
Travel Insurance
Travel to/from airport – Michael will arrange for transport (pay driver)
One meal daily, on average; drinks with all meals;
Souvenirs; personal items
Single room supplement: Palestine (\$975); **Jordan** (\$140)
For those traveling to Jordan: Israel exit tax (\$62); Jordan visa (\$60)

FEATURES

Dr. Michael Spath is Executive Director, *Indiana Center for Middle East Peace*; Fulbright Scholar (1998-99), *Royal Institute for Inter-Faith Studies*, Amman, Jordan (under patronage of HRH Prince El Hassan bin Talal); 35+ trips to Palestine/Israel, this is Michael’s 19th Solidarity Tour, 260+ travelers, meeting with Jewish, Christian, and Muslim political, religious, and NGO leaders working for justice and human rights. Michael is a member of *Global Kairos for Justice*, *Friends of Hebron*, *ICAHD-USA* co-chair, *Stones Cry Out* -co-leader.

Pre-trip preparatory meetings discuss the people with whom we’ll meet, as well as the political, cultural, moral, economic, human rights, and religious issues in Palestine and Israel, and US involvement in the region.

Meetings with leading Jewish, Christian, Muslim religious, political, NGO leaders, peacemakers, and human rights advocates (see below).

Free time scheduled throughout the tour, for personal exploration, shopping, rest, etc. For those interested in visiting the holy sites of the three Abrahamic faiths, there is ample time to do that as well.

St. George’s Hotel is in East Jerusalem, just an 8-10 minute walk to the Damascus Gate and Jerusalem Old City.

Gloria Hotel is in the Christian Quarter inside Jerusalem’s Old City, walking distance to markets, shops, and Jerusalem religious sites.

Manger Square Hotel is one block from Manger Square and the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem.

Beauty Inn Hotel, centrally-located in Ramallah; adjacent to Munther Isaac’s church

Pending approval, a **guided tour of Dome of the Rock & Al-Aqsa Mosque**.

Optional Sundry Worship at Christmas Lutheran Church, Bethlehem, and Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Jerusalem Old City.

Optional one-hour Debriefing Sessions throughout the tour to process travelers’ experiences, emotions, insights, questions.

Optional day-tour to Galilee Jesus sites before solidarity tour begins – see Michael for details

PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATIONS – tentative until confirmed

Abdelfattah Abusrour, *Arrowwad Cultural & Theater Training Center*, Aida Refugee Camp; “beautiful resistance” – Bethlehem

Issa Amro, 2025 *Nobel Peace Prize* nominee; *Youth Against Settlements*, *Friends of Hebron*, “Palestinian Gandhi” – Hebron

Sally Azar, Pastor, Lutheran Church of the Redeemer – Old City Jerusalem

Sam Bahour, Palestinian-American businessman/entrepreneur – Ramallah

Breaking the Silence, Israeli veterans now turned peace activists

Fakhri & Amneh Abu Diab, Silwan activists, house demolished on Valentine’s Day, 2024 – Jerusalem

Sahar Francis, *Addameer Prisoner Support* – Ramallah

Jeff Halper, Two-time *Nobel Peace Prize* nominee (2006, 2025), *Israel Committee Against House Demolitions* – Jerusalem

Omar Haramy, *Sabeel Palestinian Liberation Theology Center*, 2025 “Berrigan Peace Award,” DePaul University – Jerusalem

Amira Hass, *Ha’aretz* correspondent for the Occupied Territories; daughter of Holocaust survivors; has lived in Gaza.

Munther Isaac, Theologian and Pastor, “*Christ Under the Rubble*”; Lutheran Church of Ramallah, *Kairos Palestine* – Ramallah

I Witness Silwan – Public art resistance project in embattled East Jerusalem neighborhood, Silwan, threatened by Israeli theme park

Eid Jahalin, *Al Khan al-Ahmar* Bedouin village – Jerusalem E-1

Daoud Nassar, *Tent of Nations* environmental peace and sustainability farm – Bethlehem

Dalia Qumsieh, Balasan Initiative for Human Rights

Mazin and Jesse Qumsiyeh, 2025 *Nobel Peace Prize* nominee, *Institute for Biodiversity and Sustainability* – Bethlehem

George & Najwa Sa’adeh, *Rami Elhanan*, *Bereaved Parents Circle* – Bethlehem

Ayman Shaka’a, *Aroub Jamleh*, *Multipurpose Community Resource Center* – Nablus

Zoughbi Zoughbi, 2011 *World Vision* “Peacemaker of Year”; *Wi’am Conflict Resolution & Transformation Center* – Bethlehem