



See the holy places - Jewish, Christian and Muslim.



Visit with the people.



Learn about the impact of the Israeli occupation on Palestinian life, and consider what is needed for a just peace.

SABEEL: ***Voice of the Palestinian Christians***

Sabeel is a Palestinian Christian organization, based in Jerusalem, that is committed to nonviolence and promotes a just solution to the conflict in the Holy Land. *Sabeel* is an Arabic word that means “the way” and “spring of water.” *Sabeel* strives to promote a more accurate international awareness of Palestinian struggles, and encourages individuals and groups from around the world to work for a just, comprehensive, and enduring peace informed by truth and empowered by prayer and action.

The Most Rev. Archbishop Desmond Tutu from South Africa is the *International Patron of Sabeel*.

Friends of Sabeel-Colorado

Friends of Sabeel-Colorado is a local group affiliated with Friends of Sabeel-North America (www.fosna.org) and Sabeel in Jerusalem (www.sabeel.org). Our mission is to increase awareness of the situation in Israel/Palestine and to advocate for a just peace.

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Seeking Understanding in Israel/Palestine: A Two-Week Fact-Finding Trip



May 15-29, 2010

Organized by Friends of
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Trip Highlights



We will stay in the Old City of Jerusalem, within easy walking distance of the Western Wall, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, and the Dome of the Rock.

- Explore the holy sites and bazaars of the Old City of Jerusalem.
- Tour the illegal Jewish settlements of East Jerusalem with the Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions (ICAHD).
- Meet with B'Tselem, the Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories
- Visit the Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Center in Jerusalem.
- Stand with the Women in Black on Friday at noon, and visit with Machsom Watch Women and ex-soldiers from Breaking the Silence.



- Visit a Palestinian refugee camp and witness checkpoints and roadblocks.
- Visit in the homes of Palestinian Christians in the Beit Jala area.
- See the Wall and learn about its impact in Jerusalem and in villages in the West Bank.
- Travel to Galilee to visit Nazareth, the Mount of Beatitudes, and spend two nights by the Sea of Galilee.
- Learn about the many Palestinian villages that were destroyed in 1948, and the current struggle of "unrecognized Arab villages" in Israel.
- Visit Nablus, a West Bank city completely surrounded by checkpoints.
- Visit with a Jewish settler in a West Bank settlement.
- Meet with the Christian Peacemaker Team in Hebron, and visit the Mosque of Ibrihim, honored by Jews and Muslims as the burial place of Abraham.
- Swim in the Dead Sea and visit Masada.

We extend a warm invitation to join this cross-cultural encounter to view the holy sites, and to visit with people passionately involved in the effort of peacemaking today. A complete and detailed schedule will be available closer to departure date.

Please join us on this unforgettable journey!

Tour Leaders

Joy Lapp, Instructor of Religion and Ethics, Metro State College of Denver. Joy spent three years in the Middle East working with Mennonite Central Committee and is the Chair of Friends of Sabeel-Colorado.

Arnie Voigt, Retired Lutheran Minister. Arnie has visited Israel/Palestine many times and has led numerous tour groups.

Cost Summary

\$2000

Includes: hotel, 2 meals per day, tour guide and entrance fees, transportation, and tips.

Does not include: airfare, lunch, souvenirs, personal expenses or travel insurance. Travelers will arrange their own flights to arrive in Jerusalem by May 16. Our tour begins with dinner at our hotel at 6 pm, followed by introductions and orientation.

Prices are based on double-occupancy. Supplement for a single room is \$520.

Prices are based on a minimum of 20 travelers, and subject to changes due to circumstances beyond our control.

Travelers must have a passport that is valid six months beyond date of re-entry to U.S.

Confirmation needed by April 1, 2010.

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