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**Kam Isaiah Israel Congregation
 11 Day | Family Trip to Israel
 March 15-25, 2007**

TOUR FEATURES:

- Flights: Chicago -Tel Aviv Tel Aviv-Chicago as listed in the "air routing" paragraph of this proposal
- 8 nights accommodation using the hotel plan listed below
- Arrival & departure transfers
- 13 meals: 8 Israeli buffet breakfasts and 5 dinners
- Private motor coach featuring large panoramic windows, reclining seats and foot rests
- Friendly and professional English speaking tour educator-guide
- An educational coordinator who will ensure that you will have "A fabulous Israel Experience"
- All program and entrance fees
- Restaurant tipping in hotels included
- All hotel and airport portage and tipping included
- Each participant will receive a guide book titled "The Spiritual Guide to Israel" by Rabbi Lawrence A. Hoffman
- Arza World neck cushions, luggage straps and name tag

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Pinat Shorashim at Kibbutz Gezer for an interactive Jewish Exploration Experience, using all of the senses and much more
- The Ayalon Institute, near Rehovot, site of a clandestine munitions factory during the British Mandate
- Caesarea, one of the Land of Israel's most important cities during the Roman Empire
- Jeep tour climbing to the Golan Heights in the footsteps of IDF soldiers and their battles in the Six Day War, to enjoy the beautiful natural scenery and gain an insight into the strategic complexity of the Golan
- Ride the Manara cable car to ascend the Manara Cliff overlooking the Hula Valley and the Golan Heights, including wall climbing (omega).
- The Western Wall Tunnel, the underground continuation of the Western Wall along the Temple Mount.
- Walk along the rooftops of the Old City for a behind the scenes look at the various communities in Jerusalem and how they live together.

HOTELS:

DATES	NIGHTS	HOTEL	CITY	CATEGORY
16 MAR – 18 MAR 2007	2	DAN PANORAMA	TEL AVIV	MODERATE-DELUXE
18 MAR – 20 MAR 2007	2	KIBBUTZ GUESTHOUSE	UPPER GALILEE	FIRST CLASS
20 MAR – 24 MAR 2007	4 + LCO	DAN PANORAMA	JERUSALEM	MODERATE-DELUXE

DISCOUNTED GROUP RATES:



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	COST
AIR & LAND – ADULT	\$2,949
AIR & LAND – CHILD [^]	\$2,595

- For single occupancy room please add \$595 to the above group rates
- Rates are per person based on double occupancy and a minimum of 20 full paying participants

[^] Child (ages 2-18): Sharing room as third

*Notes:

1. Our rates do include a late check out on the day of departure.
2. To upgrade hotels: Carlton in Tel Aviv and the Inbal/Sheraton in Jerusalem, please add to the above rates \$265 per person; for single supplement, please add \$215; children rates will be calculated accordingly.
3. The cost for a counselor in Tel Aviv or Jerusalem \$150/a day (not including overnights). Based on 20 people, the supplement would be \$7.5 per person.
4. Prices reflect a 3% discount for purchases made by cash/check

AIR ROUTING:

All air rates and schedules are subject to change prior to ticketing. Please note the flights listed below are not confirmed at this juncture, air fare is subject to the carrier's confirmation and subject to change. Airline utilization and deposit deadlines will be advised upon confirmation of space.

DATE	AIRLINE	FROM	TO	ROUTING
15 MAR 2007	TBA	ORD	TLV	One Stop +1
25 MAR 2007	TBA	TLV	ORD	One Stop

Note: +1 Indicates next day arrival

A SAFE AND SECURE TOUR WITH ARZA WORLD:

ARZA World follows the events in Israel very closely. For the many years that we have been organizing trips to Israel, safety and security have always been our number one priority. We review our schedules on a daily basis and maintain ongoing contact with government and security offices. While you may be concerned about travel during this volatile time, you can be certain that we will take every safety and security precaution necessary on our trip.

In addition to refraining from entering unsafe areas, we never intentionally bring groups to any site or area that we feel is unsafe. We have staff in Jerusalem, and before and during the trips, our plans are monitored continuously, in case any changes are needed. Our tours do not travel to the West Bank or Gaza. Throughout each day, itineraries are cleared by our Jerusalem office. All of our guides carry cell phones, and we would not hesitate to move groups in a moment's notice. We use private bus companies, and instruct our participants to stay off of public transportation. Medics and guards are available at an additional cost of \$200 per day and can travel with the group at all times.

Please know that no one will go to Israel unless your leadership and ARZA World feel that it is appropriate and that we can provide the highest standard of safety and security which we always try to attain. We hope and pray for peace and wish you an amazing program in Israel.

HOW DOES ARZA WORLD DESIGN ITS PROGRAMS?

ARZA World Travel plans the perfect Israel experience by listening to your expectations and needs and



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then facilitating them. We are committed to using a holistic approach to the educational experience. Our programs are designed thematically, combining educational and geographical considerations while in Israel. Introductory sessions, usually in the form of interactive programs, (discussions, workshops and presentations) precede most topics of study, and site visits are conducted with text in hand, always connecting the various sites to the specific daily and weekly themes.

Having said all that, we also believe it is essential to allow enough time for relaxation and personal exploration. We take care in designing programs that contain a successful balance between more “active” and recreational components and those that are more “content-oriented” in nature. Essentially, our views on educational programming motivate us to create programs that are wholly “experiential”, in which ALL components are “fun” and educational.

EXPERIENCED, PROFESSIONAL AND RESPONSIBLE TOUR EDUCATORS:

ARZA World Travel only works with tour educators who are licensed by the Ministry of Tourism and who are experienced, professional and responsible. Tour educators working with Jewish trips have all had a great deal of experience with guiding Jewish tours in the past, and are experts at activating participants and making the history and reality of Israel “come alive”. All educators are “fixtures” in the local field of Jewish education and have experience teaching in formal as well as informal frameworks. Needless to say, they all speak perfect English.

The tour educator is an integral part of the group staff. This means that in addition to the overall implementation of the program, he/she is involved in all other aspects of the trip, whether they be interpersonal issues, group dynamics, or problem-solving on any and all levels.

PEACE OF MIND TRAVEL PROTECTION:

Peace of Mind Travel Protection: Cancel for any Reason - Choose to protect yourself with our 'Peace of Mind-Cancel For Any Reason' waiver program: should you cancel your trip in writing up to 72 hours before your departure for any reason, you will receive a full refund equal to the cost of your trip less the cost of your registration deposit and the cost of the 'Peace of Mind-Cancel For Any Reason' waiver program. The cost of the program is \$178 per person and will only be added to participants invoice upon their request.

IMPORTANT NOTE: 'Peace of Mind-Cancel For Any Reason' waiver program can be purchased up to 46 days before departure and does not apply to 'Cruise Programs'.

NOT INCLUDED:

US and foreign airport taxes, passport and visa fees, border taxes when applicable, items not listed on standard group menus, mineral water, tea, coffee, after meal beverages, personal expenses (i.e. laundry, valet service, cabs, telephone calls, postage, etc.), tips to drivers, guides, tour escorts and other services not indicated above.



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KAM ISAIAH ISRAEL CONGREGATION

11 DAY | FAMILY TOUR TO ISRAEL

LED BY RABBI DAVID SANDMEL

MARCH 15-25, 2007

PROGRAM BY ARZA WORLD

DAY ONE: Thursday, March 15, 2007

- Depart from the USA.

Overnight: Flight

DAY TWO: Friday, March 16, 2004

- Morning arrival at Ben Gurion International Airport.
- Welcome by our representative and assistance with arrival formalities.
- Visit Pinat Shorashim at Kibbutz Gezer for an interactive Jewish Exploration Experience, using all of the senses and much more.
- Lunch in Ramla on your own followed by a short visit to the souk (market).
- Transfer to Tel Aviv and drive through the "city that never sleeps," and pass by centers of culture and recreation, from the Mann and Habima Theaters to sprawling beaches and Dizengoff Street.
- Check into the hotel.
- Shabbat services at Beit Daniel.
- Private Shabbat dinner at the hotel.

Overnight: Dan Panorama, Tel Aviv

DAY THREE: Saturday, March 17, 2007

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- Optional Shabbat services.
- Lunch on your own en route.
- Visit the Ayalon Institute, near Rehovot, site of a clandestine munitions factory during the British Mandate.



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- Visit the Old City of Jaffa and stroll through the renovated artists' colony and the ancient port.
- Free time to wander along the promenade.
- Dinner on your own.

Overnight: Dan Panorama, Tel Aviv

DAY FOUR: Sunday, March 18, 2007

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- *Adults:* Guest speaker General (res) Shlomo Gazit will talk on *A Strategic Overview of Israel and the Middle East.*
- *Children :* tour with the guide in Neve Tzedek.
- Depart along the Trans-Israel Highway for a close up view of the 'Security Fence' along the separation zone between Israel and the Palestinian Territories.
- Tour Caesarea, one of the Land of Israel's most important cities during the Roman Empire; visit the Herodian Theater and newly excavated hippodrome, palace and bathhouse and explore the 900-year-old crusader city built on the same site with its new hologram interactive activities centers.
- Visit Zichron Ya'acov, one of the first communities established by the early Zionist pioneers and the home of the famous Carmel Winery; lunch on your own.
- Visit Zippori, site of the post-Second Temple Jewish settlement and the codification of the Mishna by Rabbi Yehudah Hanassi approximately 1800 years ago, and a contemporary national park; mosaic project for the children.
- Drive to the Upper Galilee.
- Check into the kibbutz hotel.
- Dinner at the kibbutz hotel.

Overnight: Kibbutz Hagoshrim Guesthouse, Upper Galilee

DAY FIVE: Monday, March 19, 2007

- Breakfast at the kibbutz guesthouse.
- Walk through the Tel Dan Nature Reserve located on the largest tributary of the Jordan River and near the Biblical settlement of Dan.
- Jeep tour climbing to the Golan Heights in the footsteps of IDF soldiers and their battles in the Six Day War, to enjoy the beautiful natural scenery and gain an insight into the strategic complexity of the Golan.



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- Lunch en route on your own.
- Hike at Ben 'Tal.
- Ride the Manara cable car to ascend the Manara Cliff overlooking the Hula Valley and the Golan Heights, including wall climbing (*omega*).
- Return to the kibbutz.
- Dinner at the hotel.

Overnight: Kibbutz Hagoshrim Guesthouse, Upper Galilee

DAY SIX: Tuesday, March 20, 2007

- Breakfast at the kibbutz hotel.
- Depart the Upper Galilee
- Visit Safed, a center of Jewish mysticism for hundreds of years, and a contemporary artists' colony; visit the many unique synagogues, stroll through the quaint art galleries and shop in the artists' colony.
- Visit the 1500-year-old Beit Alpha Synagogue at Kibbutz Heftzibah, with the famous mosaic floor depicting the Binding of Isaac and view an audio-visual program about a Byzantine building fund.
- Visit the archaeological excavations at Beit Shean, one of the largest Roman-Byzantine cities uncovered in Israel.
- Lunch on your own en route.
- Drive to Jerusalem.
- Stop at Mount Scopus to say the traditional *shebechiyanu* blessing, recited upon entering Jerusalem.
- Check into the hotel.
- *Adults: Israel's Political Reality*, dialogue with Dr. Reuven Hazan, Senior Lecturer at the Hebrew University Political Science Department.
- *Children: free time or optional drama simulation.*
- Dinner on your own.

Overnight: Jerusalem

DAY SEVEN: Wednesday, March 21, 2007

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- Meeting with Iri Kassel, the Director of the Israeli Reform Movement.



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- Guided visit through the newly renovated Yad Vashem complex, the Jewish National Memorial to the six million Jews who perished in the Holocaust, including: the Historical Museum, the Art Museum, the Valley of the Communities and the Children's Memorial; *special program for children.*
- Lunch on your own.
- Visit the new Herzl Museum, followed by a stop at the graves of Theodor Herzl and Yitzhak Rabin at Mt. Herzl.
- *Political Jerusalem* : travel through the city of Jerusalem exploring some of the political and diplomatic complexities of recent years, including Har Homa, Gilo and the new 'Security Fence' in the Jerusalem area;
- *possible hike for the kids at Sataf.*
- Dinner on your own in Jerusalem.

Overnight: Jerusalem

DAY EIGHT: Thursday, March 22, 2007

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- Explore Christian East Jerusalem through visits with Christian personalities and institutions with Daniel Rossing, former advisor to Teddy Kolek on Christian affairs
- Lunch on your own in the Old City
- Visit the Western Wall Tunnel, the underground continuation of the Western Wall along the Temple Mount.
- View the new three-dimensional computer generated presentation of 'Life During the Time of the Temple' at the Davidson Center, located at the Southern Wall excavations.
- Visit the Israel Museum which houses collections of fine arts, Judaica, archaeology, the Dead Sea Scrolls and more.
- Dinner on your own.

Overnight: Jerusalem

DAY NINE: Friday, March 23, 2007

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- Depart Jerusalem and drive to the Dead Sea Basin area.



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- Short hike to "Nahal David" the freshwater spring at the Ein Gedi Nature Reserve, a lush oasis in the Judean Desert overlooking the Dead Sea.
- Visit Masada, Herod's mountain palace and site of the Jewish Zealots' last stand against the Roman Legionnaires. Discuss Masada's role as a symbol of Jewish defense and the current meaning and significance in modern Israel.
- Lunch on your own en route
- Experience the weightlessness of the Dead Sea as you float in its waters.
- Return to Jerusalem via Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found.
- Kabbalat Shabbat and home hospitality dinner at Congregation Mevasseret Zion hosted by Rabbi Maya Leibovitz, or at another congregation; or dinner at the hotel.

Overnight: Jerusalem

DAY TEN: Saturday, March 24, 2007

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- Optional Shabbat services.
- Guided visit to the Museum of the History of Jerusalem at David's Citadel, for a walk through the history of Jerusalem from the time of Abraham 4,000 years ago to the end of the British Mandate over Palestine.
- Walk along the rooftops of the Old City for a behind the scenes look at the various communities in Jerusalem and how they live together.
- Free afternoon.
- *Challenges and Triumphs of Religious Pluralism and Social Justice in Israel*: social action project with Anat Hoffman, the Executive Director of the Israel Religious Action Center
- Havdallah.
- Farewell dinner at a restaurant.

Overnight: Jerusalem

DAY ELEVEN: Sunday, March 25, 2007

- Check out of the hotel.
- Transfer to the airport.
- Depart for the USA.

t- Itinerary is tentative and subject to change.