

In the Footsteps of Jesus:

An Alternative Tour to Palestine & Israel

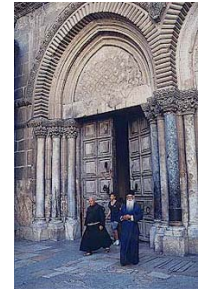
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By engaging the people who live in the land – and the history, culture and social realities that shape their lives – alternative (responsible) travel seeks to transform curious tourists into informed pilgrims.



As the tour theme suggests, many of the first-century realities that shaped Jesus' life and ministry continue to shape the lives of contemporary Palestinians and Israelis. In addition to exploring the holy stones – the historic places and sites that have defined our faith – participants will engage the Living Stones: Jews, Muslims and Christians who live in the land.

Tour leaders Jeff & Janet Wright have served as Disciples of Christ/UCC Global Ministries short-term missionaries to Israel/Palestine, having traveled there many times. Janet, a mental health therapist, has just returned from her most recent service in October, 2008. Jeff is lead pastor of Heart of the Rockies Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Fort Collins, Colorado.



To facilitate conversation, take advantage of unplanned opportunities and provide a more enriching experience, tour size is limited. Participants will: explore the holy sites of Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Capernaum, Hebron and more; visit Qumran, the wall of Jericho, Massada, the Sea of Galilee, the Jordan River and more; learn from Global Ministries mission partners; meet and discuss current realities with Muslim, Christian and Jewish leaders. During the *Footsteps* tour, we will be accompanied by a professional guide. Travel arrangements have been made through Siraj Center for Holy Land Studies (www.sirajcenter.org). Overnight accommodations, while clean and comfortable, are modest, made to

maximize our contact with the Living Stones and make the tour more affordable. *Past tour participants have rated the tour experience very highly.*

For more information and a copy of the draft itinerary, telephone Jeff & Janet at 970/223-8465 (home) or 970/217-3065 (Jeff's cell) or email them at wright@frii.com. Cost of the tour (excluding airfare) is \$1,590.