

# TEMPLE BETH EMETH

## ISRAEL TOUR

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FEBRUARY 19-27, 2005

PROPOSED ITINERARY BY ARZA WORLD TRAVEL

Day One	19 Feb 05	Saturday	Depart U.S.A.	Flight
Day Two	20 Feb 05	Sunday	Arrival at Ben Gurion International Airport. Welcome by our representative and assistance with arrival formalities. Transfer to the Sde Dov Airport for your flight to Eilat. Arrive in Eilat and transfer to your hotel. Welcome dinner at the hotel.	Eilat
Day Three	21 Feb 05	Monday	Morning at leisure to relax and enjoy the beach. Early afternoon depart for the Red Canyon and for Har Shlomo for a 3 hour hike in the Arava wilderness. Continue to Kibbutz Yahel for meetings and program with kibbutz members, followed by dinner at the kibbutz. Return to Eilat.	Eilat
Day Four	22 Feb 05	Tuesday	Early departure to 'The Red Rose City' of Petra in Jordan. Guided tour of the 1,800-year-old Nabatean city, which is considered one of the Seven Wonders of the World. Return to Eilat. Dinner at leisure.	Eilat
Day Five	23 Feb 05	Wednesday	Optional morning activities include morning visit to the Underwater Observatory. Some of you may choose to Snorkel at Coral beach (equipment rental not included). Licensed scuba divers may opt to enjoy exiting and breathtaking views of the coral reefs of the Red Sea, a once in a lifetime experience. In the afternoon experience a camel ride, Bedouin hospitality and hafla (feast) at the Shaharut Bedouin camp, north of Eilat. Return to Eilat.	Eilat
Day Six	24 Feb 05	Thursday	Depart Eilat. Tour the unusual geological formations at the Timna Park, popularly known as King Solomon's Mines. Drive to the Ramon Crater and take a Jeep tour in the crater exploring the miraculous geological park. Hike through Ein Avdat, discovering the foliage particular to the Negev. Continue north	Jerusalem

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and stop at Ben Gurion's Vision: The Bible and Modern Israel: visit Ben Gurion's hut at Kibbutz Sde Boker, followed by a visit to the graves of Paula and David Ben Gurion, overlooking the Wilderness of Zinn. Stop to say the traditional shehechyanu blessing, recited upon entering Jerusalem. Check into the hotel. Dinner and evening at leisure.

Day Seven	25 Feb 05	Friday	<p>Visit the Jewish Quarter of the Old City of Jerusalem, including the Herodian Mansion, the Old City rooftops, Western Wall, and the Southern Wall excavations. Guided visit to the Western Wall Tunnel. Lunch in the Jewish Quarter on your own. Explore the colorful and ethnically rich Nachlaot neighborhood of Jerusalem while participating in an experiential scavenger hunt with Ross Culiner. Free time to prepare for Shabbat. Welcome in Shabbat with Congregation Tzur Hadassah. Shabbat dinner with congregants or at a hotel in private room; followed by a family quizbowl competition.</p>	Jerusalem
Day Eight	26 Feb 05	Saturday	<p>Breakfast at the hotel. Optional services at a variety of local synagogues. Lunch on your own. Day at leisure to explore Jerusalem on your own, or perhaps visit 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, or take a guided walking tour following the poetry of Israel's literary giant Shay Agnon. Havdallah service. Farewell dinner.</p>	Jerusalem
Day Nine	27 Feb 05	Sunday	<p>Breakfast at the hotel. Departure flight to the USA, arriving the same day.</p>	

t- Itinerary is tentative and subject to change.

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