

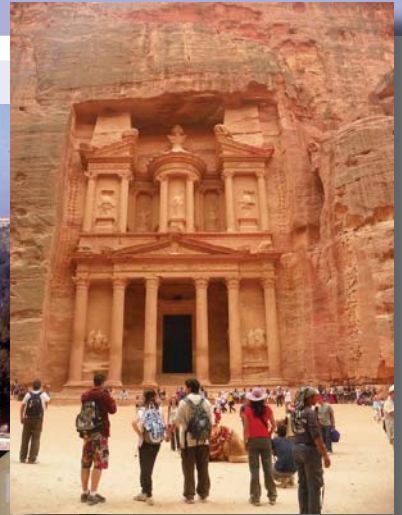
# The Exodus

and Journey to the Promised Land

November 3-16, 2012

Hosted by Don Johnson

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*"Thanks Don for leading our delightful group into Egypt, Jordan, and Israel. My husband and I had a wonderful time soaking in the biblical sites, as if experiencing the Exodus in biblical times. We enjoyed learning from our local guides and were encouraged from your extensive knowledge of Scripture. As world travelers and biblical students, The Exodus Holy Land Tour is a unique travel experience. It is not just about people and sights, but a personal spiritual journey. Scripture came alive while walking the dusty roads. We now have a better understanding of how history and current events are interwoven in the context of God's plan for mankind." - Tom and May Trau, Gilroy, CA*

*"I, along with a friend, went on the Exodus trip with Don in 2010. He does a wonderful job of bringing the Scriptures to life with each devotion. We learned what happened at each place we visited and I have a much better understanding of what it was like to live in those times. The people I met on the trip were like old friends when we finished the trip. I would recommend this trip to anyone." - Dave Holuk, Peabody, MA*

## Saturday, November 3 Departure

Depart from Los Angeles International Airport this evening on a transatlantic flight.

## Sunday, November 4 Cairo, Egypt

After changing planes in Frankfurt, arrive in Cairo early this evening. Transfer to the Pyramids Park Hotel for overnight accommodations.

## Monday, November 5 Cairo



Visit the Pyramids of Giza, including the Great Pyramid of Khufu (Cheops)—the oldest and only surviving wonder of the Ancient World. Nearby is the Sphinx, carved almost entirely from one massive piece of limestone. Explore the Egyptian Museum of

Antiquities, which contains 120,000 artifacts, including 30,000 pertaining to the Pharaohs, and see some of the fabulous treasures of King Tutankhamen. Tour Old Cairo, including some of the churches of the Christian community in Coptic Cairo. Visit the Hanging Church, the most famous Coptic Christian church in Cairo. The church is named for its location above a gatehouse of the Roman fortress in Old Cairo; its nave is suspended over a passage. Enjoy a relaxing dinner cruise on the Nile River with a magnificent view of the city and a folklore show. Overnight in Cairo.

## Tuesday, November 6 Cairo – Sinai

Depart Cairo this morning, setting off in the footsteps of Moses across the desert towards the Red Sea. After crossing the Suez Canal, view the possible location where the waters parted for the Children of Israel. Drive through the mountains of Sinai, where Bedouins still



live today as they did in biblical times. Stop at Oyun Musa (Moses Spring) where God directed Moses to make the bitter water sweet by throwing a branch into the waters. Visit Wadi Feiran Oasis, biblical Rephidim, where Joshua defeated the Amalekites while Moses and Aaron prayed. Upon arrival at Mount Sinai, stand at the foot of this majestic site where Moses stood before climbing the mountain to receive the Ten Commandments. Here at the foothills of Mount Sinai, the Israelites rested and made the golden calf. Overnight accommodations are at Morgenland Village, Mt. Sinai.

## Wednesday, November 7 Sinai

Rise early this morning for a hike up Mt. Sinai to view the sunrise. Visit St. Catherine's Monastery, believed to be the site where Moses encountered the burning bush. Travel to Taba for a relaxing afternoon and overnight at the Hilton Hotel.

## Thursday, November 8 Petra, Jordan

Cross the Taba and Arava borders and arrive in Petra, forgotten for hundreds of years until it was rediscovered in 1812. It must be entered on foot or by horse-drawn carriage. The Nabateans carved breathtaking temples and monuments, 800 in number, out of the multi-colored sandstone. See the 3,000-seat theatre, the Palace Tomb, and the Treasury, the most famous monument which appears dramatically at the end of the siq and appeared in the Indian Jones movie, "The Last Crusade." Dinner and overnight at the Petra Panorama.

## Friday, November 9 Jordan – Israel

Drive to Madaba to visit St. George's Church to view its mosaic floor, dating from the 6th century, depicting a map of the Holy Land as Christian pilgrims knew it. Continue to Mt. Nebo and view the Holy Land as Moses did before his death, after which the Israelite tribes led by Joshua crossed into the Promised Land. Stop at Bethany-Beyond-the-Jordan, where it is believed John the Baptist preached and baptized Jesus. Continue to Amman for dinner and overnight at the Grand Court Hotel.

## Saturday, November 10 Dead Sea Region



Cross the Allenby (King Hussein) Bridge from Jordan into Israel this morning, stopping at Jericho to see the ruins of the ancient city. Drive to Qumran to view Cave #4 where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. Later, stop along the Dead Sea to enjoy a mud bath or a float in its mineral rich waters--where it's impossible to sink! Visit Masada, King Herod's magnificent mountain fortress and last stronghold of the Jewish revolt against Rome. If time permits, see Ein Gedi, where David cut off a portion of Saul's robe while hiding in a cave. Continue to Jerusalem for dinner and overnight at the Ambassador Hotel.

## Sunday, November 11 Jerusalem – Bethlehem

Begin the day on the Mt. of Olives for a breath-taking view of the Old City. Visit the Church of Pater Noster, where you can see the Lord's Prayer inscribed in 100 languages. Follow the traditional Palm Sunday route to the church known as Dominus Flevit ("the Lord weeps"). Walk downhill to Gethsemane and the Church of All Nations. Visit the Western Wall, Judaism's holiest site, and the excavations on the Southern Steps. Ascend to the Dome of the Rock and the al-Aqsa Mosque, the third holiest site of Islam, located on



the traditional site of the ancient Temple Mount. See the Pool of Bethesda and St. Anne's Church before walking along the Via Dolorosa (Way of the Cross) to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Departing Jerusalem, drive to Bethlehem to visit the Church of the Nativity, built over the site believed to be the place of Jesus' birth. Bethlehem is also an excellent place to buy items that are hand carved from olive wood. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

## Monday, November 12 Jerusalem

Drive to Mt. Zion early this morning to see the Upper Room, possible site of the Last Supper. See the Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu ("cock crow"), believed to be the site of Caiaphas' house where Jesus was tried and kept overnight. Continue to the New City to see the Model of Jerusalem, representing how the city looked on the eve of the Jewish revolt, 36 years after the Passion of Jesus. Visit the Shrine of the Book, which houses the Dead Sea Scrolls. Spend time at Yad Vashem, the Jewish people's living memorial to the Holocaust. Continue to the Garden Tomb for a special visit and private communion on its grounds. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

## Tuesday, November 13 Jerusalem – The Galilee

Drive north out of Jerusalem early this morning, through the area of biblical Bethel, site of Abraham's encampment, Jacob's dream and the Ark of the Covenant. At Nablus (Shechem), visit the mound of the ancient city which was Abram's first destination

in the land and where Joshua renewed the covenant. Stop at nearby Jacob's Well, site of Jesus' conversation with a Samaritan woman. Drive through the narrow pass between the mountains of Ebal and Gerizim to Samaria, the capital city of Ahab and Jezebel. Herod later rebuilt Samaria and called it Sebastia. Thus there is a mixture of Israelite and Roman ruins. Passing through the Valley of Dothan, where Joseph's brothers left him in a cistern, stop at Megiddo, the Armageddon of Revelation. Drive through the Jezreel Valley eastward, to Beth Shean to hear the story of Saul and view the ruins of Roman Scythopolis. Continue to Kibbutz Ma'agan, on the southern tip of the Sea of Galilee, for dinner and overnight.

### Wednesday, November 14 Galilee

From Mt. Arbel, enjoy the spectacular view of the Galilee early this morning. Then, enjoy a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, with time for meditation on the lake. See the Jesus Boat, a first-century fishing vessel found in the lakebed during a drought in the 80s. Continue to the Mt. of Beatitudes where Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount. Visit Tabgha and the Church of the Loaves and Fishes to see the beautiful mosaic there. At Capernaum, the town used as a base by Christ during his ministry, see the remains of the fourth century synagogue and the nearby house of St. Peter. Stop at Kursi before driving to Yardenit, the traditional baptismal site located where the Sea of Galilee runs into the Jordan River. Overnight in Galilee.



### Thursday, November 15 Nazareth

Begin the day at Nazareth Village for a modern recreation of what Nazareth looked like and how the people lived during the time of Jesus. Continue to Mt. Carmel where Elijah defeated the prophets of Baal. Drive along the Mediterranean seacoast to Caesarea Maritima, where the baptism of Gentiles began, with its magnificent harbor, the hippodrome, the theatre and the Roman aqueduct. Enjoy a farewell dinner in Joppa before transferring to the airport for a late evening departure.



### Friday, November 16 Return to the USA

Return to Los Angeles today. Shalom / Salaam.

Travel Arrangements by:

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Tour Price: \$3,999 based on double occupancy

Single Supplement: \$599

Optional Group Travel Insurance: \$265 (nonrefundable)

***This tour price reflects special group rates. Deposits received after July 27, 2012, will likely incur additional charges due to supplier contract terms.***

Tour Price Includes:

- Round-trip airfare from Los Angeles International Airport
- Accommodations listed in itinerary, or similar
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Sightseeing and entrance fees to sites listed in itinerary
- English-speaking guides throughout
- Drivers and transportation in air-conditioned motor coaches
- Hotel service charges and local taxes
- Airline taxes and fuel surcharges (Currently \$530; subject to change)
- Tips to guide, driver and hotel staff (\$180)

### Your Tour Host: Don Johnson



Don Johnson is founder and president of Don Johnson Evangelistic Ministries, a non-profit organization dedicated to boldly and creatively proclaiming the Kingdom of God through various means of mass communication. To accomplish this mission, Don preaches around the world, hosts a radio talk show, and writes for print and web publication. His first book, *The*

*Road to Heaven: A Traveler's Guide to Life's Narrow Way* was released in both English and Tamil, the major language of Southern India. In it Don walks through the story of the Exodus, showing how Jesus fulfills that story and what that means for our Christian journey today.

Don has worked in vocational ministry since 1993, including five years as an inner-city youth worker with CityTeam Ministries in San Jose, CA and six years as the College / Career Pastor at the Evangelical Free Church of Huntington Beach, CA.

Don has a BA in Theology, Missions and Intercultural Studies from San Jose Christian College and an MA in Christian Apologetics from Biola University. He has also done graduate work at Multnomah Seminary, Talbot School of Theology and Franciscan University.

Don and his wife Kendra have four children. They currently live in Westminster, California.

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# Tour Features and Conditions

Please read all Tour Features and Conditions carefully.

Payment of tour deposit constitutes acceptance of these conditions.

**Air Transportation:** Air transportation is restricted to services of any IATA carrier, economy class based on nonrefundable fare. Travelers are responsible to provide their names as they appear in their passport. Ticketing is made 30-45 days prior to departure, after which there is a charge for name corrections. Tour price includes current airline taxes and fuel surcharges of \$530, which are subject to change until ticketed. *Tour participants are responsible for any increase in airline taxes or fuel surcharges imposed by the airline.*

**Accommodations:** Based on two or more persons sharing a room in accommodations listed in itinerary, or similar. Single rooms are subject to availability at an additional charge of \$599. *If a passenger cannot supply a roommate, the passenger is responsible for the additional charge.*

**Meals:** In-flight meals and snacks are served according to airline policy. Breakfast and dinner will be provided daily. Opportunity will be given for lunches to be secured by tour members at their own expense. Beverages with lunches and dinners are not included.

**Transfers and Baggage:** Transfers between airports and hotels upon arrival and departure are included in the tour price, including handling of one medium-sized suitcase per person, not exceeding 62 dimensional inches (length + width + height) or weighing more than a maximum of 50 pounds. *Due to limited luggage space on motorcoaches, it is important that each person bring only ONE piece of checked baggage. In addition, a flight bag or overnight case may be taken, and must be handled by the passenger at all times. Subject to change according to airline policy.*

**Sightseeing and Entrance Fees:** Are included as indicated in itinerary, using private motorcoach or other conveyance, with local guides where necessary.

**Tips and Taxes:** Service charges and taxes on accommodations are included. Tips to guides, drivers, and hotel staff are included. Tips for personal services are not included and are at tour member's own expense.

**Not Included:** Passport fee, travel protection insurance, and expenses of a purely personal nature are not included. Transportation from your home to Los Angeles International Airport and return is not included.

**Deposit and Payment:** Reservations may be secured upon payment of a deposit of \$500 per person. You will be invoiced for final payment, which is due September 4, 2012.

**MTS Cancellation Conditions:** Refund of full deposit (less \$100 administrative fee) will be made up to July 27, 2012. If cancellation occurs between July 28 and October 4, 2012, a fee of \$500 will be charged plus unrecoverable airline, hotel and tour operator payments. There is no refund after October 4, 2012, or for unused tour services.

**Protect Your Investment:** MTS TRAVEL strongly recommends purchasing this primary insurance coverage. If you purchase the protection plan within 21 days of your deposit, any restriction on

pre-existing conditions is waived. If protection plan is purchased after the 21 days, all coverage is subject to exclusion of pre-existing conditions. Certain conditions, exclusions and limitations apply as set out in the Evidence of Coverage and Confirmation of Coverage, which you will receive upon receipt of deposit. You will have ten days to review coverage and cancel your policy.

**Following is a brief description of coverage:**

- This protection plan will cover you for cancellation fees if you need to cancel because of death, injury or illness to you, your traveling companion or your immediate family member.
- Medical Evacuation: \$250,000
- Medical Expenses: \$25,000
- Baggage loss/delay: \$1,500/\$250

**A valid passport is required.** If you do not have a passport, you should apply for one immediately. Information on obtaining a passport will be provided upon receipt of deposit. If you now have a passport, please verify that it is valid until May 17, 2013. A visa for Israel is not required for U.S. or Canadian citizens. Jordan and Egypt visas for U.S. and Canadian citizens will be obtained by MTS TRAVEL at no extra charge, provided that a copy of the photo page of your passport is received in our office no later than September 4, 2012. Copies received after this date will incur an additional fee of \$100 for individual visa procurement.

**All rates and fares are based on current information and are subject to change.** Rates are based on a minimum of 22 persons traveling together.

**Deviations:** Any individual making a change in travel arrangements apart from this group program will be charged a service fee of \$100 per person, plus any additional air or land costs incurred.

**The itinerary as outlined is an indication of sequence and sites to be included in the tour program.** However, the tour operator reserves the right to alter or change the itinerary and/or the sites included should it be deemed necessary due to local conditions, time restrictions, or other circumstances.

**In the ever-changing world situation,** MTS TRAVEL recommends personal monitoring of news about your destination. For the latest country information from the U.S. Dept. of State, please visit [www.mtstravel.com](http://www.mtstravel.com) and click "U.S. State Department Travel Warnings" in the middle of our home page.

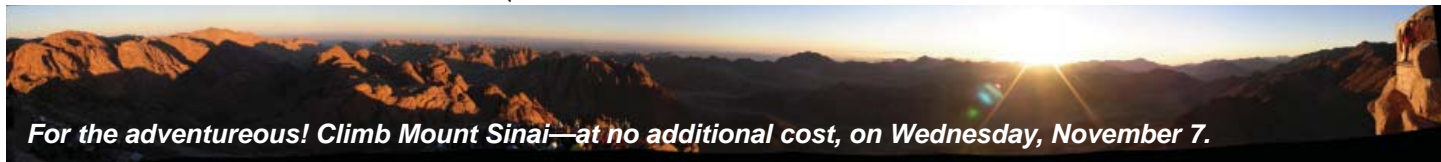
**Guests with disabilities or dietary restrictions** should inquire in advance about whether their needs can be accommodated.

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## Climb Mt. Sinai! (Optional Excursion)



**For the adventurous! Climb Mount Sinai—at no additional cost, on Wednesday, November 7.**

The energetic may climb Mount Sinai early this morning to see the sunrise and enjoy a panoramic view of the land Moses saw over 3,500 years ago.

MTS TRAVEL suggests that each participant should determine if they are physically able to make the climb. Examine websites and/or blogs regarding climbing Mount Sinai. November temperatures in the Sinai can reach a high of 72° (day) and a low of 49° (night), and even more extreme on the mountain. The air thins as you climb. There is no guard rail along the path. The

climb takes three hours, part of which may be by camel (for approx. \$20), followed by climbing 700 steps. The descent is easier on foot. You are accompanied by a Bedouin guide (please tip about \$8-\$10 per person). Persons who are fit to make the climb, must do so with full understanding of possible risks involved. MTS TRAVEL and our partner in Egypt, Travellers Cairo, accept no responsibility for safety. Please understand that this is not meant to discourage you from climbing, but rather to encourage you to be completely aware of what the climb entails.

**Reservation Form**  
**The Exodus and Journey to the Promised Land**  
**November 3–16, 2012**

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**To be assured of reservations, please complete and mail this registration form to  
MTS TRAVEL, 124 E. Main St., 4th Fl., Ephrata, PA 17522, along with your deposit of \$500 per person.**

**Please reserve space as follows for The Exodus and Journey to the Promised Land hosted by Don Johnson  
Enclosed is my deposit check of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (\$500 per person)**

**Please make check payable to MTS TRAVEL or complete credit card information below.**

*(Please Print)*

Name 1 (as it appears on passport): \_\_\_\_\_

Name 2 (as it appears on passport): \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname for name badge: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (evening) \_\_\_\_\_ (days) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport Copies:** Please provide a clear photocopy of the photo and signature page of your passport. This is required for ALL international tours.

**Room Type:**  Twin/Double  
 Single

Rooming With: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mt. Sinai Climb Excursion:**

NO, I do not plan to climb Mt. Sinai

YES, I want to climb Mt. Sinai and do not hold MTS TRAVEL or Travellers Egypt responsible for any injuries that may be incurred while doing so. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Travel Protection Insurance—Check One:**

I/we wish to be covered by cancellation insurance.  
(Include \$265 per person with your deposit check. The \$265 is not refundable.)

I/we do NOT wish to be covered by the cancellation insurance.

**Credit Card Information:**

**Please Charge:**  My Deposit of \$\_\_\_\_\_ + \$\_\_\_\_\_ Travel Insurance = \$\_\_\_\_\_ Total Charge  
 Mastercard  Visa  Discover  American Express

Name as it appears on card (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

*I have read the Tour Features and Conditions for this tour and agree to the terms listed therein.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_