

The Holy Land...

Bethlehem, the Church of the Nativity, the Milk Grotto, the Shepherds Fields, the Herodian, Christmas Lutheran Church, Old town Bethlehem, Dar al-Kalima school and college, Jerusalem, Gethsemane, the wells at Bethesda, Ecce Homo Bridge, Via Dolorosa, Garden Tomb, Golgotha, Massada, Qumran, the Dead Sea Scrolls, the Dead Sea, the Jordan Valley, the Sea of Galilee, the chapel of the Loaves and Fishes, the Mount of Beatitudes, Capernaum, the Sea of Galilee, Nazareth and Caesarea.



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of
Bethlehem**

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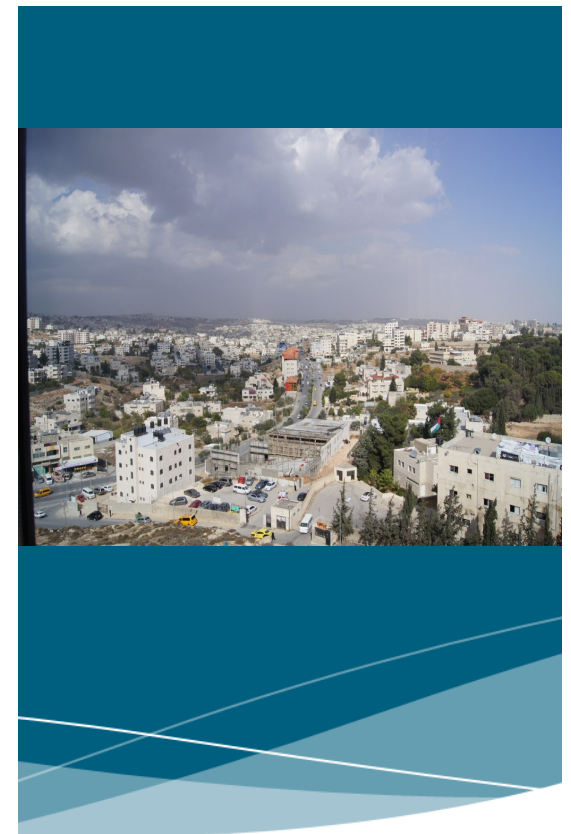
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Bright Stars of Bethlehem, NFP, a 501 (c) (3) charity in the United States, was founded in 2003 to support educational, health and wellness, cultural and arts programs in the Holy Land. Our mission is to ensure that Christianity survives and thrives in the Holy Land and to bring hope and healing to people in need.

Bright Stars of Bethlehem programs include:

- The International Center of Bethlehem
- Dar al-Kalima University College
- Diyar Academy for Children and Youth
- Dar al-Kalima Health and Wellness Center
- Ajyal "Generations" Senior Care Program



Bethlehem Immersion Tour

A Bright Stars of Bethlehem
sponsored trip to the Holy Land with
Bright Stars of Bethlehem Leaders
July 31 – August 9, 2015

Spend time in the birthplace of Jesus, explore sites such as Manger Square, Church of the Nativity, the Shepherds Fields, Solomon's Wells, the Herodian and so much more. Exclusively for travelers on this trip, we will share in conversation with leaders in the West Bank. We'll also enjoy dinner and overnight stays with families in the Holy Land.

Join your hosts, Rich Bimler, Jon Laabs, and Beth Nelson Chase, for this amazing journey. Encounter the land of the Bible in multiple ways:

- *Visits to traditional sites associated with the Bible.*
- *Learn more of what it means to be a Christian in a multi-faith context while living in occupation.*
- *Learn more about the unique and exciting ministries of Bright Stars of Bethlehem.*

Tour Expense:

The anticipated cost for this trip is \$3700 and includes airfare of approximately \$1600 and ground transportation fees of \$1630 for a double; \$2250 for a single. For best airline rates, please contact Dr. Les Schmidt as soon as you have reserved your spot. He will assist you in the purchase of the tickets. The cost for reserving your spot on this exciting servant trip is \$250.

** As there may be some meals and incidentals along the way, you may want to budget an additional \$400 to cover these costs. Tips for tour guides and other group leaders are included in the ground fees.*

Travel Schedule

Friday, July 31: Depart from Chicago to Tel Aviv

Saturday, August 1: Arrive in Tel Aviv; travel to Bethlehem; dinner and rest

Sunday, August 2: Worship at Christmas Lutheran Church, meet and congregation, lunch in the old city, tour Manger Square, church of the Nativity, etc. shopping. Dinner with Dr. Mitri Raheb, conversation

Monday, August 3: Meetings with educators, audiologists, Ajyal, etc. Tour Herodian, Shepherds Fields, Separation Wall, etc. Dinner with Ajyal members and University students. Worship in the cave.

Tuesday, August 4: Diyar presentation (Angi Saba), tour facilities including schools, medical center, etc. Lunch. Afternoon departure for Jerusalem including Bethany, Tomb of Lazarus, Mt. of Olives, Gethsemene, etc. Overnight inside the Old City Walls

Wednesday, August 5: Day spent inside old city walls, Bethesda, Ecce Homo Via Doloroso, Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Garden Tomb, Wailing Wall, etc. Overnight inside Old City Walls

Thursday, August 6: Masada, Qumron, Dead Sea, Baptisimal site, Tiberias for overnight

Friday, August 7: Mt. of Beatitudes, Tabgha, Primacy of Peter, Capurnaum, Museum and boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. Overnight in Tiberias

Saturday, August 8: Cana, Nazareth, Haifa, Carmelite Monestary (Elijah and the Prophets of Baal) Ceaserea, Joppa for dinner, overnight flight back to Chicago

Sunday, August 9: Return home

**Application form
for Bright Stars
of Bethlehem
sponsored trip to
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July 31 – August 9 2015**



Name *(Full name as listed on passport):*

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____

Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Male: _____ **Female:** _____

Passport Number:

Expiration Date:

(Passport and Date of Birth information are necessary for booking your airline flight)

Down Payment amount enclosed:

(\$250 required) \$ _____

Make check payable to **BRIGHT STARS OF BETHLEHEM** and mail with completed form to:

Dr. Les Schmidt

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