

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us join together in saying the family prayer.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

Let us pray
Father we thank you for the blessings you have given us in this service. We thank you for being re-assured of your love and goodness towards us. Accept our service of praise and thanks and help us to grow in your love.

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

THE BLESSING.

The Priest now give us God's blessing.
The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always.

ALL: AMEN

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
ALL: In the name of Christ. AMEN

Israel and Egypt Tour



Saint Thomas' Anglican Church Werribee
October 22 - November 8, 2008

Welcome

Well at last the tour is about to start. Most will be meeting up in Melbourne at the Qantas International terminal, (we need to be at the airport no later than 9pm), some in Hong Kong and the balance in Israel.

The flight to Israel goes via Hong Kong (where we have part of the day to explore or shop.) and then transfer to our flight to Israel on El Al Airlines (Israel). This is a fairly long flight so have something to read, and a loose pair of light weight slippers wouldn't go astray.

On arrival at Tel Aviv, (after exiting customs) our transfer coach will take up to our hotel where we can try to get a few hours sleep before breakfast.

Each new hotel we stay at, I will announce the room numbers we will be allocated and (if you wish) you can note these in this book where listed. The reason for this is that at times it is handy to know where others are should we need to make contact with them.

No doubt this would be for important things like "Would you like to come for a walk, meet at the bar, do you have any spare batteries etc etc"

But also, there may well be an emergency (hopefully not) when we may need to make contact with you. ***The tour hot line (my mobile) will be listed on our special web site at <http://www.anglicantours.com.au>***

This booklet contains the day to day itinerary with preparation or background material you might find useful plus room to make notes along the way.

Also included is a who's who on the tour. It includes tour members home information should you wish to make contact after the tour ends.

I will have the laptop with me with facilities to burn CD's if anyone wishes to download their digital photos to clear their camera memory chip. Remember to bring the camera cord that connects to the computer USB port.

I hope the material that follows is helpful.

Tel Aviv! - Here we come, ready or not.

Father Max

**Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

GOD'S FORGIVENESS (ABSOLUTION)

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith, pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you to do his will and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Father, we pray that we who receive these your gifts of bread and wine according to our Saviour's word may be partakers of his body and blood. For on the night he was betrayed he took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, his almighty Father, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' After supper, Jesus took the cup and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

With this bread and this cup we show forth Christ's death until he comes in glory.

We offer our prayer and praise, Father, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. AMEN

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We who are many are one body in Christ.
For we all share in the one bread.

THE SHARING

No matter what traditional you come from you are invited to receive the sacrament.



Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

"The Mass"

The Lord be with you
And also with you

THE PREPARATION

Let us pray together

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. AMEN**

THE SPECIAL PRAYER

THE READING

A SHORT STATEMENT OF WHAT WE BELIEVE AS CHRISTIANS

We stand and repeat together

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of
heaven and earth...**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ ...

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life...

**We believe in one baptism for the forgiveness of sins,
we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. AMEN.**

THE PRAYERS

We sit to hear of the people and events we are praying for today, and to add our own suggestions for the prayers.

SAYING SORRY

People often saw their faults very clearly when they met Jesus. He taught them that God forgave them and helped them to start again. Therefore, let us admit our faults to him.

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Who's Who



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Thursday 6th November 2008



Transfer to Cairo airport today for your departure flight (8.45am) on Air Sinai from Cairo back to Tel Aviv. (Arr: 9.55am)

Meet bus and driver and go to Mini Israel in the morning.

Next the Latrun Trappists Monastery & winery.



Then on for some shopping in the old city. Finish with an optional dinner and a show at an oriental (middle eastern) restaurant in the old city of Jerusalem (Approx US \$30)

Biblical Garden

The Biblical Garden on the slope of Yad HaShmonah provides visitors with hands-on exposure to the manners and customs of the ancient Israelites. The garden includes olive trees and press, grape vines and several winepresses, wheat field and threshing floor, watchtower, Bedouin tents, ancient Galilean synagogue, and a burial cave. All have been constructed according to the best archaeological knowledge of ancient life.

After the show, drive to airport for El Al flight at 10.10pm. (B) Arrive Bangkok (Nov 7) 1.55pm - Depart for Sydney (5.25pm) arr 6.25am Nov 8. Depart for Melbourne 9am/arrive 10.30am or Depart Sydney for Adelaide 8.20am/10am arrive.

Who's Who



Heffernan Lyn



Keenan Doris



Kidson The Rev'd Narelle



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Who's Who



Mitchell Heather



Morrison Davina



Morrow Dawn



Palmer Bill and Robyn



Valley of the Kings



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Wednesday 5th November 2008



Ramses II

Experience an excursion to **Memphis**, the first capital of the United Pharaonic Kingdom

Visit the Statue of Ramses II and the Alabster Sphinx



Continue by coach to the Necropolis of **Sakkara** with the famous step pyramid of King Djoser



Visit a Cairo perfume shop and enjoy a stroll through the **Khan el Khalili bazaars**.

Overnight: Cairo (B, D)



Who's Who



Pryse Joan



Ralph Paul and Leona



Roberts George



Sanderson Stephen & Rosa

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Symes Jacye



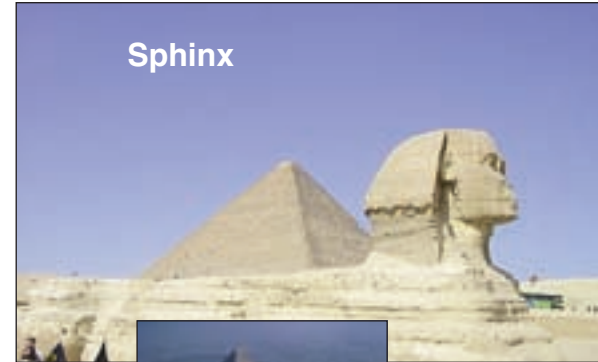
Williams Maggie



Willsmore Joan



Jeff Abel (Guide)



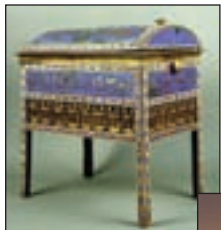
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Tuesday 4th November 2008



In the morning enjoy a guided tour of the **Egyptian museum** where the treasures of the boy-king Tut are displayed - Stop by a **papyrus institute**

In the afternoon drive to the **Giza Plateau** to see the three pyramids of the Kings - Cheops, Chephren, and Mykerinos, as well as the Valley Temple with the Sphinx.
Overnight: Cairo (B, D)



Helpful Information

Friday 24th October 2008



On Arrival at Tel Aviv Airport around 10pm on Thursday Night, you will be transferred to the Basel Hotel, for immediate check in and a few hours rest.

This morning after breakfast, start your tour of the Holy Land with a visit to the ancient port city of **Old Jaffa** and hear tales of Simon the Tanner and Jonah and the Whale. (*Jonah 1:1 - 2:10*)



Next to **Neot Kedumim** Biblical Reserve and enjoy a "biblical" lunch. - Neot Kedumim — the Biblical Landscape Reserve in Israel, halfway between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, is a unique endeavour to re-

create the physical setting of the Bible in all its depth and detail. Far more than a "garden" showing various biblical plants, Neot Kedumim embodies the panorama and power of the landscapes that helped shape the values of the Bible and provided a rich vocabulary for expressing them.



Enjoy the afternoon at leisure to walk along the famous beach promenade at Tel Aviv.

Overnight: Tel Aviv (B, D)



Old Jaffa (Joppa)

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- Roberts George
- Sanderson Stephen & Rosa

Tonight's Hotel: The Grand Pyramids
 Address: 53 Studio Mist Road, Mariotta, Giza
 Phone: 202-3388-1883 Fax: 202-3388-2022

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Monday 3rd November 2008



Transfer to Tel Aviv airport for your flight to Cairo by Air Sinai - 10.40am/11.50am

Arrive Cairo with meeting assistance - Continue onto explore **Old Cairo** and the Coptic and Islamic quarters of the Old City - Visit the 11th century synagogue where the famous Geniza documents were found

Overnight: Cairo (B, D)



Old Cairo Synagogue



Old Cairo



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Tonight's Hotel: The Basel

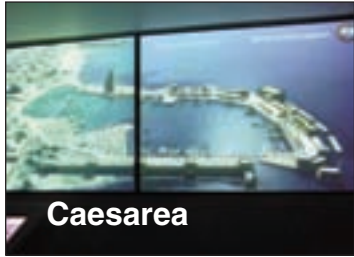
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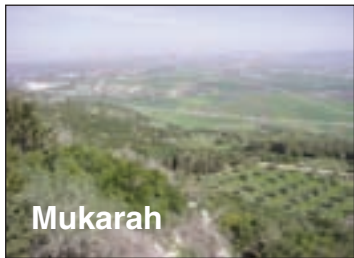


Caesarea

Depart Tel Aviv along the Coastal Plain - Stop at **Caesarea Maritima** to see the harbour city built by Herod the Great -



Caesarea



Mukarah



Visit the Carmelite Monastery at the **Mukarah**, where Elijah smote the false prophets
(1 Kings 18: 1-40)



Nazareth

Continue onto see the holy sites of **Nazareth**. Here we visit the church of the Annunciation *(Luke 1: 26-38)*

Next to the local Synagogue (1) where Jesus opened the scrolls and read *(Luke 4: 16-19)*

Proceed to the village of **Cana**,(2) *(John 2: 1-12)* where there may be an opportunity to have your wedding vows renewed!

Overnight: Tiberias (B, D)



Cana (2)



Synagogue (1)



Cana (2)

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Sunday 2nd November 2008

All Soul's Day



Jordean horned sacrificial altar

Today we go to **Beersheba** and learn about the glorious history of the ANZAC's in the Holy Land during the drive - Visit the main battlefield sites of World War I in the area, including the site where the famous 'Charge of the Light Brigade' took place. October 31, 1917.

At Asluj and Khalasa the men of the Desert Mounted Corps watered; they carried three days rations. Despite great loads, the horses were touched with excitement. Smoking was forbidden and talking subdued. The bare hills of Sinai sounded with the beat of thousands of shod horses. They rode 30 kilometres through the night. The Turks opened fire with shrapnel. Machine guns fired against the lead squadrons. The Royal Horse Artillery got their range and soon had them out of action. The Turkish riflemen fired, horses were hit, but the charge was not checked. The Lighthorsemen drove in their spurs; they rode for victory and they rode for Australia. The bewildered enemy failed to adjust their sights and soon their fire was passing harmlessly overhead. The 4th took the trenches; the enemy soon surrendered. The 12th rode through a gap and on into the town. Their was a bitter fight. Some enemy surrendered; others fled and were pursued into the Judean Hills. In less than an hour it was over; the enemy was finally beaten.



Enjoy a visit to a local **Bedouin market** (subject to availability and time constraints).
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Tonight's Hotel: The Mercure

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Sunday 26th October 2008



Lake Galilee

Experience an early morning sail across the **Sea of Galilee**. See the remains of a boat from the time of Jesus - (10k wide, 21k long, 46 meters deep, 60% fish catch - sardines)

Mosaic in the Church



Visit **Tabgha**, where Jesus multiplied five loaves and two fish - Tabgha is the traditional location for the calling of the disciples. It is believed that here Jesus walked along the shore and called out to Simon Peter and Andrew who were casting their nets into the lake. Walking along, Jesus saw two other brothers, James and John who were preparing their nets with their father Zebedee, Jesus called all of these men to follow him. (*Matthew 4: 18-22*)



Peter's Fish

Fish Lunch (lunch is at your cost)



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Tonight's Hotel: The Novotel Thallassa - Dead Sea

Address: Classic - Ein Bokek South

Phone: 972-8-955-3333 Fax: 972-8-955-3344

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Saturday 1st November 2008

All Saint's Day



Qumran Caves

Depart Jerusalem via the Inn of the Good Samaritan - Visit the caves of **Qumran**, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered -



Ritual Bath



Masada

Ascend the mighty fortress of **Masada** - Experience a 'float' in the salty waters of the **Dead Sea**.

Overnight: Dead Sea (B, D) -

Mass tonight at the Hotel



Dead Sea



Masada



Mount of Beatitudes

Continue onto **Capernaum**, the center of Jesus' Ministries

Ascend to the top of the **Mt. of Beatitudes**, where you can relive the Sermon on the Mount

(Matthew 5: 3-12) - - Celebrate **Mass** at the Mount. Remainder of the afternoon at leisure



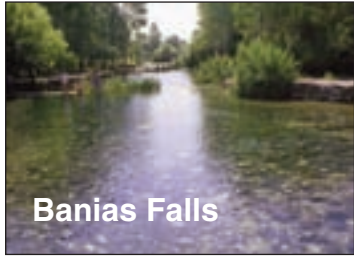
(Optional visit to the Tiberias Hot Springs)

Overnight Tiberias (B, D)



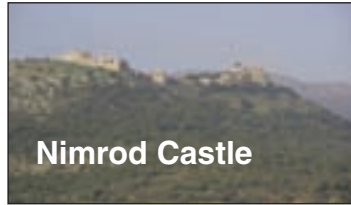
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Monday 27th October 2008



Banias Falls

Enjoy a walk through **Caesarea-Philippi** at Banias Falls



Nimrod Castle

Climb the Crusader Fort at **Nimrod Castle**.



Golan Heights

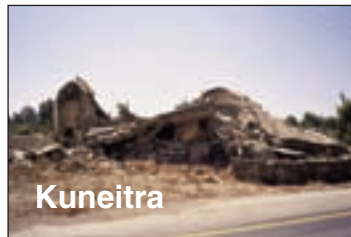
Ascend the **Golan Heights** and from Mt. Bental, peer deep into Syria and the ghost town of **Kuneitra**.

See the whole of Northern Israel from atop the **Hula Valley**.

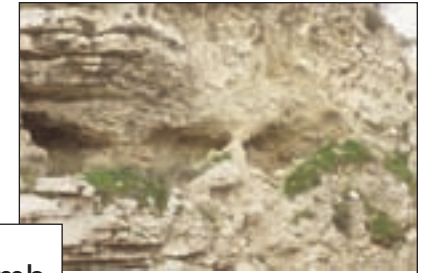
Overnight: Tiberias (B, D)



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Kuneitra



Garden Tomb Area



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Friday 31st October 2008



Today we view the model of the **Herodian City** of Jerusalem dating back to the second temple

See the famous **Dead Sea scrolls** at the Shrine of the Book

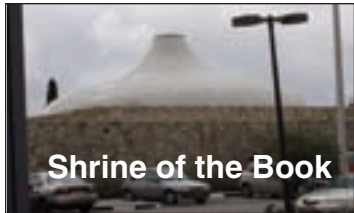
Drive through the **New City** of Jerusalem and see the Israeli Parliament Building and Supreme Court House



Explore the picturesque village of **Ein Kerem**, the birthplace of **John the Baptist**



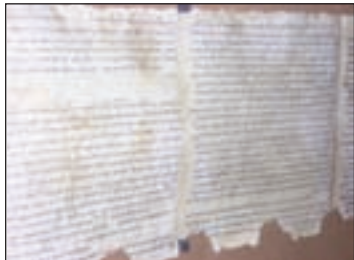
Parliament Building



Shrine of the Book

Experience **Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial**.

Finish your visit to Jerusalem with communion at the **Garden Tomb**. *(Mark 15: 21-47)*
Overnight: Jerusalem (B, D)



Kuneitra is the largely destroyed and abandoned capital of the Quneitra Governorate in south-western Syria. It is situated in a high valley in the Golan Heights at an elevation of 1,010 meters (3,313 feet) above sea level. Quneitra was founded in the Ottoman era as a way station on the caravan route to Damascus and subsequently became a garrison town of some 20,000 people, strategically located near the border with Israel.

On 10 June 1967, the last day of the Six-Day War, Quneitra came under Israeli control. It was briefly recaptured by Syria during the 1973 Yom Kippur War, but Israel regained control in its subsequent counter-offensive. The city was almost completely destroyed before the Israeli withdrawal in June 1974. It now lies in the demilitarised United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) Zone between Syria and Israel, a short distance from the de facto border between the two countries. Israel was heavily criticised by the United Nations for the city's destruction, while Israel has criticised Syria for not rebuilding Quneitra.

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Tuesday 28th October 2008



Yardenit

Visit the baptism site at **Yardenit** - Depart the Sea of Galilee via the fertile Jordan Valley -



River Jordan



Beith Shean

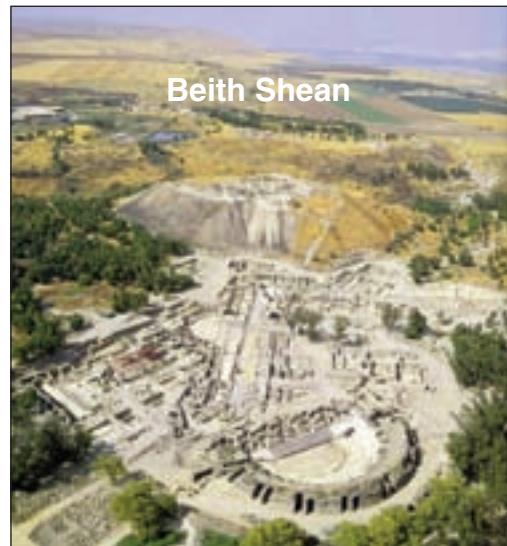
See the ancient city of **Beith Shean**, a fully excavated Roman/Byzantine city of Scytopolis - Visit **Gideon's Spring** where Gideon and his 300 men defeated the Philistines (*Judges 7*)

Ascend the mountains to Jerusalem - Stop at **Mount Scopus** for a 'welcome to Jerusalem prayer'.

Overnight: Jerusalem (B, D)



Gideon's Spring



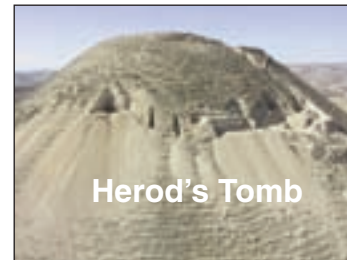
Beith Shean



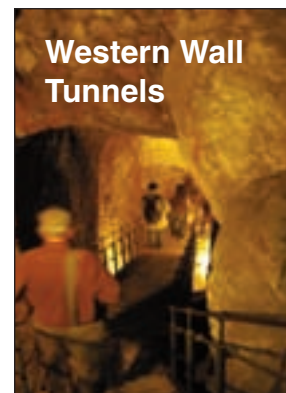
Church of the Nativity



Bethlehem



Herod's Tomb



Western Wall Tunnels

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Thursday 30th October 2008



Mount Zion

Onto **Mount Zion** (*Mark 14: 12- 26*) to see the Room of the Last Supper and King David's tomb then on to visit St Peter in Gallicantu. (*Matthew 26: 57- 74*)

Visit the **Temple Mount** (subject to security clearance) and see the famous **Dome of the Rock**



St Peter in Gallicantu

Experience a spiritual visit to the **Western Wall** - Take an underground tour of the **Western Wall Tunnels**

Afternoon visit to **Bethlehem** and the **Church of the Nativity** as well as the **Shepherd's Field** (subject to security clearance). Also **Herod's tomb**.

Overnight: Jerusalem (B, D)



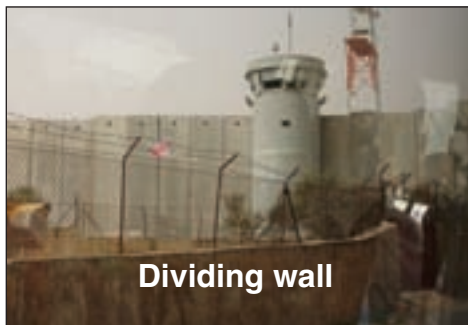
Dome of the Rock



Bethlehem



Western Wall



Dividing wall

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Tonight's Hotel: The Grand Court

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Wednesday 29th October 2008



Church of all Nations

Start with a spectacular view of Jerusalem from **Mt. of Olives** - Walk down the Palm Sunday Road (*Mark 11: 1-11*) and visit the Church of all Nations at the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus asked to have his cup of suffering taken away from him.

(*Matthew 26: 36- 46*)

Onto the **Pools of Bethesda** (*John 5: 1-13*)

and **St. Anne's Church** -

Pass through Ecce Homo Arch and the

Crypt of Sisters of Zion

(*Matthew 27: 27- 31*) and

on to the **Via Dolorosa**

and visit each Station of the Cross to the

Church of the Holy Sepulcher

Sepulcher



Pools of Bethesda

Free time in the afternoon to explore the Old City on your own.

Overnight: Jerusalem (B, D)

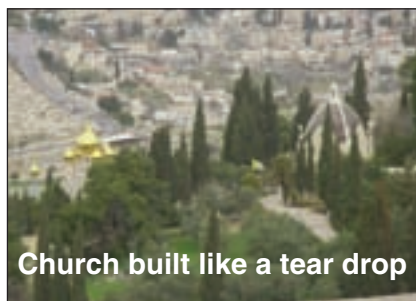


Garden of Gethsemane



Church of Dominus Flexit - Where Jesus wept over the city.

(*Matthew 23: 37-39*)



Church built like a tear drop



The View of the Golden Gate from the Garden of Gethsemane



Church of the Holy Sepulcher

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