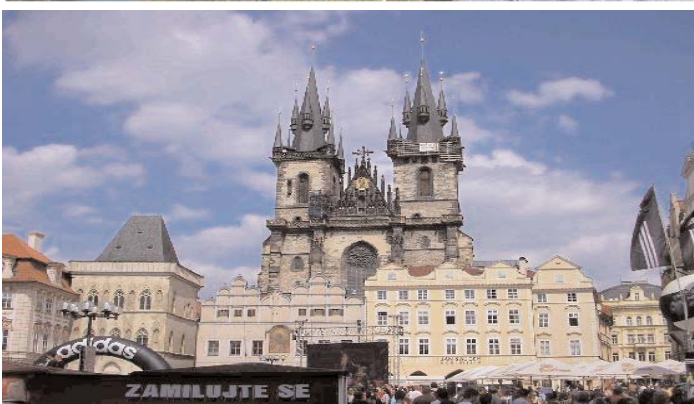


Join Rabbi Geoffrey and Karen Spector on Temple Beth Shalom's



Prague plus Israel- Family Adventure August 18 - 31, 2010

We begin our adventure traveling to the magical city of **Prague**, from its fanciful architecture to its Jewish history, redolent with Jewish characters and luminaries that once populated this city. Stroll through the Prague Castle and over the Charles Bridge before taking your time in the Old Ghetto, the collection of synagogues and the cemetery, where the Golem is said to have once wandered. Celebrate Shabbat in Prague, Travel to Terezin to visit what the Nazis called the "Model Concentration Camp", recently discovered Holocaust era secret synagogue. Overnight flight to Israel,

Welcome orientation in Israel, Palmach Museum, Atlit, Bahai Gardens, Crusader Fortress, Turkish Baths, British prison, Tunisian Synagogue, Rosh Hanikra, Tzefat, Golan Heights, Gamla, Moving Bar/Bat Mitzvah service at Robinson's Arch, "Masorti Kotel, Southern Wall Excavations, Rachel's Tomb, Herodian, Archeological dig, Menahem Begin Heritage Center, Kabbalat Shabbat with Rabbi Spector, Israel Museum, Ammunition Hill, Ein Gedi Nature Reserve, Masada, Dead Sea resort, ITC source book.

Prague and Israel Package land only \$3791 land and air* \$5565 Single supplement \$1560

Third person over 18 in triple room: subtract \$290

Child, age 2-18 as third person a triple room: subtract \$885

Bar/Bat Mitzvah, age 12-13 as third person in a triple room: subtract \$995

*Fuel surcharge is subject to change - added to above price is tips for guide, driver and restaurants \$150 per person

For additional information please call Rabbi Spector 973 992 3600

Prague: Land Only \$925, land and air* \$1545, Single Supplement \$365

Israel: Land Only \$2995, Land and air* \$4569 Single supplement \$1195

Down load itinerary and application at www.israeltour.com/rspector2010.php

Or e-mail Rabbi at gspector@tbsnj.org

Tour arranged by ITC Tours llc 973 535 2575

Wednesday, August 18 - USA Departure Overnight flight to Prague

Thursday, August 19 - Welcome to **Prague**

Morning arrival (ideally) in Prague, to be met and assisted by your ITC representative - Take in an overview of the city from the Strachov Observation Point. Visit the Hradchany Castle, made famous by the Franz Kafka novel. Visit the unique library, first established in the 12th century. Walk along the Charles Bridge, with its unique medieval sculptures and charming local color
Hotel check-in, rest, and dinner Overnight: President Hotel, Prague

Friday, August 20 - Prague's Rich Jewish Heritage

Spend the morning in Prague's Jewish Quarter seeing the many Judaica artifacts, saved from Nazi plunder, that are housed in the synagogues that make up the Jewish Museum: Althneushul, Maisel, Pinkas, Klaus, and Spanish synagogues. Walk through the unique Old Jewish Cemetery. Proceed to the Old Town Square to see its medieval City Hall Tower and astronomical clock; take some time to browse its many shops. Kabbalat Shabbat with the Prague Masorti Congregation. Shabbat dinner at the kosher restaurant, to be joined by (Masorti) Rabbi Ron Hoffberg and some members of his congregation. Overnight: President Hotel, Prague

Shabbat, August 21 - Shabbat in Prague- Parashat Ki Teitzei
Breakfast at the hotel. Shabbat services at the Jerusalemka Synagogue. Shabbat lunch at the Jewish Community Center
Afternoon walking tour of Kafka's Prague. Free evening to enjoy Prague nightlife (possibilities include: Black Theatre, Latera Magica, concerts, pubs) Overnight: Christie or President Hotel, Prague

Sunday, August 22 - Terezin - Travel to Terezin to visit what the Nazis called the "Model Concentration Camp" Tour the fortress and the recently discovered Holocaust era secret synagogue of the Danish Jews (if available) Return to Prague for some free time this afternoon. Dinner at a vegetarian restaurant
Depart for the airport for late evening overnight flight to **Israel**
Overnight: In flight

Monday, August 23 - When You Come Into the Land (Deut. 26:1)
Early morning arrival in Israel at Ben Gurion Airport, to be met and assisted by your ITC representative. Proceed to Tel Aviv for early check-in, rest, swim, and late breakfast at the hotel. Late morning departure for touring. Tour the Negev community of Sderot, including an overview into Gaza; meet there with community leaders to discuss their experiences during the war and its aftermath
Enjoy lunch in the dining room of Kibbutz Alumim, near Sderot
Tour in Old Jaffa, once the gateway to the Land of Israel
Return to Tel Aviv for a free afternoon/evening with option of a visit to Independence Hall for first time visitors to Israel
Overnight: Carlton Hotel, Tel Aviv

Tuesday, August 24 - Layers of History

Please choose three of the following site visits for the group:
Enjoy an impressive presentation of the amazing achievements of the Palmach at the multi-media Palmach Museum (if available; age 5 and up only) In Atlit walk through the detention camp that held Holocaust refugees denied entry into Eretz Yisrael by the British
View the spectacular Bahai Gardens in Haifa and learn a bit about the Bahai faith and its utopian vision Visit historic Acco, a city of three religions, including your choice of: a "cool and creepy" Crusader Fortress; a multi-media exhibit about Acco's years of Muslim rule at the Turkish Baths; the British prison, where Jewish freedom fighters were incarcerated (number of stops depends on time available) - Play a family scavenger hunt game (ITC program) in the Tunisian Synagogue in Acco, which is completely decorated with mosaics depicting stories from Jewish history and traditional.

Take the cable car to the mesmerizing ocean grottos of Rosh Hanikra, at Israel's border with Lebanon
Arrive in Tiberias and enjoy dinner at Decks. Overnight: Leonardo Tiberias (formerly Sheraton Moriah) Hotel, Tiberias

Wednesday, August 25 - The Golan Heights

Tour the synagogues, courtyards, and shops of the mystical city of Tzefat, including cheese-tasting at the gourmet Meiri Cheese Company, housed in a Tzefat heritage building. Travel to the Golan Heights, and stop to gaze down over the Galilee as the Syrians once did. Tour Gamla, called the "Masada of the North"
Taste the fruits of the region in the form of award-winning wines at the Golan Winery. Travel south for the ascent to Jerusalem
Hotel check-in followed for free time for dinner
Overnight: Jerusalem David Citadel Hotel

Thursday, August 26 - Ancient Roots- Take part in a moving Bar/Bat Mitzvah service at Robinson's Arch, the "Masorti Kotel"
Explore the Southern Wall Excavations. Visit Rachel's Tomb for prayer and reflection. Visit the site of the ancient fortress of Herodian, built by Herod and used by Jewish fighting forces throughout the ages; also the site of an ancient synagogue and King Herod's newly discovered tomb. Evening: Bar/Bat Mitzvah celebratory dinner party with musical entertainment at the hotel Overnight: Jerusalem David Citadel Hotel

Friday, August 27 - Foundations of the Modern State
Stumble across many authentic archeological finds in a hands-on dig through archeological matter that has been dumped into Emek Tzurim from under the Temple Mount. Visit the Menahem Begin Heritage Center for a highly moving and informative presentation on the life of this inspiring leader. Free afternoon for shopping as Jerusalem prepares for Shabbat. Kabbalat Shabbat at a synagogue of your choice (suggestions, walking directions to be provided)
Delicious Shabbat dinner at the hotel -Overnight: Jerusalem

Shabbat, August 28 - Shabbat in Jerusalem Parashat Ki Tavo
Shabbat services at a choice of neighborhood synagogues
Sumptuous Shabbat lunch buffet at the hotel. Shabbat afternoon walking tour through fascinating neighborhoods near our hotel
Havdalah followed by a free evening in Jerusalem
Overnight: Jerusalem David Citadel Hotel

Sunday, August 29 - Freedom Fighters or Fanatics?
In the Kotel Tunnels, walk alongside the massive foundation stones of the Western Wall. Visit the new Shrine of the Book and the Second Temple Model of Jerusalem at the Israel Museum
At Ammunition Hill, see former Jordanian bunkers and a terrific new audio-video presentation; learn about the fierce Six Day War battle for Jerusalem that took place here. Enjoy a walk through the beautiful Ein Gedi Nature Reserve and review the biblical story of kings David and Saul "on site" Dinner at hotel
Overnight: Isrotel, Dead Sea

Monday, August 30 - A Temporary Departure
Early departure to ascend Masada by cable car or the snake path. Tour this amazing excavation and discuss the terrible dilemma faced by its Jewish population during Roman times. Return to the hotel to relax at the spa, pool, Dead Sea. Late check-out from the hotel
Early evening: Return to Jerusalem for a delicious farewell dinner at La Boca Restaurant (Argentinian)
Depart for Ben Gurion Airport for overnight flight

Tuesday, August 31 - A Temporary Departure Arrival in USA
Begin planning your next Israel trip with Rabbi Spector, and ITC Tours!

Itinerary Subject to Change