

“The Forgotten Faithful”

A Window into the Life and Witness of Christians in the Holy Land

6th International Sabeel Conference

2-9 November 2006

Israel-Palestine

Through lectures, workshops, worship and excursions in the Holy Land, Sabeel's 6th International Conference will provide a unique opportunity to encounter the realities of Christians in Palestine and Israel.

History: Consider the 2000 year presence of Christians in the Holy Land

Present Realities: Critically examine the impact of the Israeli occupation on the political, social, economic, and religious conditions of Palestinian Christians

Personal Stories: Hear from Christians about their challenges and aspirations

Muslim-Christian Relations: Understand the relationships of Christians with their Muslim sisters and brothers

Israeli and International Solidarity: Discover the support of the Israeli peace movement and the international community in the struggle for a just peace

Partnership and Bridge Building: Develop practical tools and ideas to support and empower Christians in Palestine and Israel.

Meet your Christian brothers and sisters, learn about their history and present struggle, champion their just cause and advocate for peace and reconciliation for all the people of the land.

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Conference Schedule

(subject to change)

Thursday, November 2

Arrivals and Registration in Hotels
Welcoming Reception in the evening

Friday, November 3: Jerusalem

Registration
Opening Ceremony
Plenary: History of Arab Christianity
Panel: Growth of Palestinian Christianity and the Palestinian Church
Lectures: -The Impact of Islam and Crusades on Christianity
 -Christianity in a Contemporary Setting
Keynote
Overnight in Jerusalem

Saturday, November 4: Bethlehem

Bible Study with Dr. Kenneth Bailey
Lectures
Lunch with Christian Community
Workshops
Overnight in Jericho

Sunday, November 5: Ramallah and Villages

Worship in Jericho or Ramallah
Visits to Christian Villages
Lunch and receptions with Local Communities
Lectures: Political Perspectives
Overnight in Jericho

Monday, November 6: Ramallah

Bible Study with Dr. Kenneth Bailey
Introduction to Christian Survey Results
Lectures: Present Realities; Political, Social, and Religious
Evening Barbecue and Entertainment
Overnight in Jericho

Tuesday, November 7: Galilee

Travel to Aboud: History and Visits
Visits to Christian Villages with Community Receptions
Overnight in Nazareth

Wednesday, November 8: Nazareth

Ad Hoc Meetings
Optional Tours of Nazareth
Discussion with Sabeel-Nazareth Chapter
Survey Discussion
Closing Dinner and Evening Entertainment

Thursday, November 9: Sea of Galilee

Closing Worship at St Peter's Primacy
Optional Tours of Holy Sites and/or Boat Trip on Sea of Galilee
Free Afternoon in Tiberias

Post-Conference Tours may be arranged individually

Registration Fees: \$350 USD (or equivalent)

Make checks for registration payable to Sabeel. Registration begins May 1, 2006

See website for registration form: www.sabeel.org

Special Land Packages: (includes accommodations, all land travel, lunches, entrance fees, airport shuttle service)

All prices are in US dollars unless stated otherwise.

Option I (four and five stars)

Single- \$955

Double- \$797

Triple- \$776

(Includes: Notre Dame Hotel-Jerusalem, Intercontinental Hotel-Jericho, Mary's Well Hotel-Nazareth)

Option II (three star and four stars)

Single- \$915

Double- \$762

Triple- \$741

(Includes: Gloria Hotel-Jerusalem, Jericho Resort Inn -Jericho, Mary's Well Hotel-Nazareth)

Australian Group Travel Agent

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