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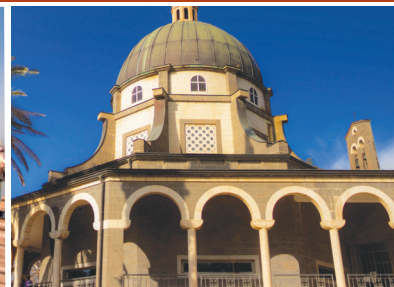
Conversations in the **Holy Land**

Dialogue Series 2024

January 10-18, 2024



Host:
REV. DR. GARY MASON



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January 10 – Depart the USA

Depart on your international overnight flight.

January 11 – Arrive in Israel / Transfer to Galilee Kibbutz / dinner and overnight – Welcome Gathering

Arrive in Tel Aviv and transfer to your accommodations at a kibbutz in the Galilee area. Enjoy a welcome meeting with local members of the kibbutz - conversation on kibbutz life and **an Israeli perspective on the conflict**.

January 12 – Northern Israel – Golan Heights / Mount Bental / Tel Dan/ Metulla – Evening lecture on History and the Power of Memory

This morning, you will pass through the **Golan Heights** and gain a better appreciation of their strategic importance. Look out from **Mount Bental** over the valley that leads to Damascus. Saul would have his life-transforming vision on his way there (Acts 9). Continue northward to Tel Dan. Walk the ancient remains of **Tel Dan** and see where the altar built by King Jeroboam I once stood (I Kings 12). Pass through **Metulla**, home to the “Good Fence” and Nahal Ayyan Bridge. Bought by Baron de Rothschild in the late 1800’s for Jewish immigration to return to Israel, it now sits on the border of Lebanon and Israel. Return to your kibbutz for dinner and an evening lecture on History and the Power of Memory.

January 13 – Galilee sites / Jordan Valley / Jericho – Evening lecture on “From Extremism to Inclusion.” - Overnight in Jericho

Today, you will spend time around the Sea of Galilee, where Jesus invested the majority of his ministry. Worship as you **sail across the Sea of Galilee**. Visit **Capernaum**, the center of Jesus’ ministry in the Galilee, and visit the **synagogue** built on the site where Jesus taught (Matthew 4). On the **Mount of Beatitudes**, contemplate the “Sermon on the Mount” (Matthew 5-7). Visit Magdala and the recent excavations of the First Century Synagogue there. This was the home town of Mary Magdalene. Then, pass through the **Jordan Valley** on your way to your hotel in Jericho for dinner and a lecture on “From Extremism to Inclusion.”

January 14 – Masada / Dead Sea / Bedouin Experience – Overnight in Bethlehem - Possible Dinner with local Arab Christian Families

Begin this morning in Jericho, to view the ruins of the city conquered by Joshua (Joshua 6). In the distance, you can also see the traditional site of the **Temptation of Jesus** (Matthew 4). Walk the ruins of **Qumran**, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in 1947. Continue south to visit **Masada**, the spectacular mountaintop fortress built by Herod that is famous for being the last stronghold of the Jewish rebellion against the Romans. From the top of Masada, the Roman camps and siege ramp can still be seen. Then, pass through the **Judean Wilderness** and stop at a Bedouin Experience, before checking into your hotel in Bethlehem. The option to experience dinner with a local Arab Christian family will be available.

January 15 – Bethlehem sites / – Lecture on Palestinian Issues – Political, Socioeconomic, and Territory

Walk to the traditional birthplace of Jesus in the **Church of the Nativity**. Travel to **Ramallah** for a lecture at the Arab American University, then visit the Palestinian history museum and the Palestinian art museum.



January 16 – Jewish Jerusalem sites – Western Wall, City of David, Yad Vashem - Q and A with Christian, Palestinian and Jewish local representatives

Begin your time in Jerusalem at the **Western Wall**, the last remnant of the Second Temple Period, available for Jews to pray. Wander through the excavations of the **City of David**. Walk the steps to the Pool of Siloam, recently uncovered at the foot of the city. After lunch, travel to **Yad Vashem**, the Holocaust Memorial, as a reminder of what the hatred of any people can become. Tonight will be a presentation of Christian, Palestinian Muslim and Jewish local representatives for a time of interaction and questions from you.

January 17 – Christian Jerusalem Sites – Mount of Olives, Via Dolorosa, Garden Tomb / Free Evening

Stand atop the **Mount of Olives** as Jesus did and enjoy a remarkable view of the “Golden City” of Jerusalem. Forty days after His resurrection, Jesus ascended into heaven from the Mount of Olives (Acts 1). Walk the **Palm Sunday Road**, down the Mount of Olives. Stop en route at **Dominus Flevit Church**, with a great view of the city, built in commemoration of Jesus weeping over Jerusalem (Luke 19). Pray in the Garden of Gethsemane (Matthew 26). View the **Pool of Bethesda**, where Jesus performed the Sabbath miracle (John 5). Visit **Herod's Antonia Fortress**, where Jesus appeared before Pontius Pilate (Luke 23), and follow

in Christ's steps on the **Via Dolorosa** (“the Way of the Cross”). At the **Church of the Holy Sepulchre**, take time to reflect on His sacrificial love. Prepare for your return flights.

January 18 – Return to the USA

Return home with an understanding of the people and places of the Holy Land, and how their continuing struggles to live in peace and reconciliation merit our prayers, and can inspire us in our personal Christian walk.

Register Early & Save

\$125

Register by March 10, 2023

\$100

Register by April 10, 2023

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Register by May 10, 2023

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Register by June 10, 2023

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Gary Mason MBE, BA, Dip.Th, D.D. PhD.

Rev. Dr. Gary Mason is a Methodist minister and directs a conflict transformation organisation based in Belfast called “Rethinking Conflict.” Prior to this he spent 27 years as a Methodist clergy person in parish ministry in Belfast and has played an integral role in the Northern Irish peace process. He played a key role in establishing the \$30 million Skainsos project which is a world-class urban center developed in a post-conflict society. He was instrumental in facilitating negotiations with paramilitaries and government officials, and in 2007 his contribution was formally recognised by the late Queen Elizabeth the second. In 2009, Mason's church was the stage from which Loyalist paramilitaries announced their weapons decommissioning. Mason has lectured in political and academic forums throughout Europe, South Africa, the Middle East, and the U.S.A. on lessons from the Irish peace process. He has been interviewed on CNN, BBC, ITV, and various radio programs.

Gary is a Senior Research Fellow at the Kennedy Institute for Conflict Intervention at Maynooth University in Ireland. He is an Adjunct Professor at the Candler School of Theology at Emory University in Atlanta lecturing on reconciliation, peace building, the history of the N Ireland conflict, racism, sectarianism, and conflict transformation. Gary is a faculty advisor and partner to the Negotiation Strategies Institute a Harvard University program on negotiation for Israelis and Palestinians. Gary is an international advisor at the European Wasitia Graduate School for Peace and Conflict Resolution at the University of Flensburg in Germany. Gary is also a visiting academic at the University of Central Florida lecturing on Conflict Transformation.

In the last twelve years, Gary has been increasingly working in the context of the Israeli/Palestinian conflict and is regularly hosting groups from this conflict in Belfast. A number of key groups and individuals from the Middle East have spent time in Belfast alongside Gary learning some of the lessons from the Irish peace process in a community, religious, political, and psychological setting. Over 1000 key individuals have been to Belfast and have been exposed to the painful, difficult journey to peace in the Northern Irish context, these people are key opinion makers and leaders across all sections of society. Participants learn and experience how de-militarization and conflict resolution have occurred in Ireland between warring religious factions. Gary has lectured in a number of academic settings in the Middle East from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv University, the Arab American University in Ramallah, Ben Gurion University in Beersheba, Sapir College in Sderot, Bar Ilan University in Tel Aviv.

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TRAVEL REGISTRATION FORM

Mail to: **EO Tours** • P.O. Box 6098, Lakeland, FL 33807-6098
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PROGRAM CONDITIONS

INCLUDED IN PRICE:

- Round-trip international airfare • Deluxe motorcoaches • 1st class hotels • Guided sightseeing • Entrance fees to sites visited (as listed in itinerary) • Breakfast & dinner daily • Hotel gratuity • Program fees • Administrative Fee • Fuel surcharges \$600
- Government Taxes \$98 (Increases in government tax and fees are subject to change)

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

- Optional Travel Protection Program (see premium schedule) • Extensions and optional sightseeing as listed in the brochure
- \$75 Masada/Dead Sea Option • Miscellaneous fees such as individual transfers; passports, laundry, lunches, beverages at meals & baggage fees • Voluntary "Love Offering" for guide and driver • \$100 Document fee for Non-US/Canadian residents
- Visa for non-US citizens • Required Vaccinations • Required medical testing before, during, and/or after travel

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Price is per person based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. While EOT will try to match roommates, EOT cannot guarantee a roommate will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 30 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or you request a single room, the following charges apply: \$598 during the basic tour.

SAVINGS:

Early registration discounts or other promotions are deducted from the balance of your bill. Hosts/Co-hosts are not eligible.

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

A 3.5% surcharge will be added to all credit card transactions.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Payment Amount	Payment Due Dates & Notes
\$100*	Registrations received by 03/10/23. *Additional \$500 deposit will be due 07/10/23.
\$300**	Registrations received between 03/11/23 - 07/09/23. **Additional \$300 deposit due 07/10/23.
\$600	Registrations received between 07/10/23 - 09/26/23.
\$1,200	2nd Deposit Amount. All guests must have \$1,800 on their account by 09/27/23 to be ticketed
\$1,800	Registrations received between 09/27/23 - 10/26/23 must pay the full deposit amount and may be subject to late registration fees.
Full Payment	Final Payment is due on 10/27/23. If paid after the due date, a late payment fee of \$100 will be assessed.
Travel Protection Amount	The Travel Protection Plan premium will be due no later than 09/27/23 to be in full effect. Travel protection premiums must be paid in addition to our deposits and in advance of the final payment for coverage to be in effect.

REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED AFTER September 27, 2023:

We welcome registrations after 09/27/23. Registrations received between 09/28/23 - 10/12/23 will incur a \$100 per person fee. Registrations received between 10/13/23 - 10/27/23 will incur a \$200 per person fee. Registrations received between 10/28/23 - 11/11/23 will incur a \$400 per person fee. Registrations received on 11/12/23 or later will incur an additional fee based on air availability. Additional fees will be advised upon registration.

CANCELLATION FEES:

100% of Cancellation Fees are covered by the optional Travel Protection Program provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is coverable. Those who do not take travel protection should be aware of the following per-person cancellation penalties: From day of registration to 105 days prior to departure, you will be charged the \$100 non-refundable cancellation fee plus any airline fees. Additionally, thereafter, you will be charged any airline penalties and a single room supplement if your cancellation forces your roommate into a single plus the following per-person charges: 104-60 days = \$400; 59-45 days = \$600; 44-31 days = 40% of total cost; 30 days to day of departure = 100% of total cost. In addition, cancellation fees for Nile Cruise are: 59-31 days = 25% of extension cost; 30-0 days = 100%. Submit cancellation in writing. On or after date of departure, there will be no refund for any services not used.

STATEMENTS OF RESPONSIBILITY

EOT does not accept responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air schedules, hotel overbookings, other hotel related problems or causes, and/or travel supplier cancellations or postponements. Travel suppliers include all tour operators, cruise lines, airlines, hotels, bus companies, entertainment venues, and any other travel supplier used to operate the tour. All such losses or expenses will be the responsibility of the passenger. EOT reserves the right to make adjustments to the itinerary as deemed desirable by EOT, and EOT reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. If a tour is canceled beyond the control of EOT, EOT will provide a refund or a future travel credit to be used two years from the date of issuance for the value of all funds paid by the passenger less nonrefundable travel supplier prepaid deposits, travel supplier change fees, nonrefundable travel protection premiums, and a \$150 administration fee.

FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT:

Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Because many of the sites are not accessible to the physically challenged and space limitations on tour buses, wheelchairs and scooters cannot be accommodated. Those needing oxygen or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting in their experiences. Persons using C-pap machines requiring distilled water will need to inform us ahead of time, so we can work with local operators to prepare as it is not always available. EOT reserves the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who is, in the sole judgment of EOT, incapable of group travel without causing undue demands upon the staff or other tour participants. Accessible rooms/cabins are limited and subject to confirmation after receiving the passenger's written request. If you have questions, please see eo.travel/fit-to-travel-statement or contact Educational Opportunities Tours Inc. for more details.

PASSPORT INFORMATION:

Passport information must be submitted to our office no later than 09/27/23. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date may result in change fees or denial of travel. Discrepancies in information may result in change fees, delays in receiving travel documents for your trip, or denial of travel. Any fees incurred due to discrepancies are the responsibility of the passenger.

PRICE INCREASES:

All prices quoted in this brochure are subject to change prior to payment in full due to currency fluctuations, fuel surcharge increases, government taxes and fees increases or unforeseen circumstances. In addition, you may be subject to a price increase after payment in full has been received due to potential government imposed taxes and fees.

AIRLINE ROUTES AND TICKETS:

In order to keep prices low, EOT does not guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. Once issued, airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class on IATA and ARC carrier utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together on entire itinerary. If you choose to depart from a different city than your group or traveling companion, or deviate your flight and/or trip plans, and/or you are taking a pre or post tour, you may fly on a different scheduled flight(s) than the rest of your group. If you make your own air arrangements, you are responsible for booking all needed flights for your travel unless specified otherwise. Contact guest services for further details.

FLIGHT TIMES AND SEATING:

All flights are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. EOT is not responsible for such changes or delays and does not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If you are making your own flight arrangements to the departure city, we recommend you purchase a ticket that can be exchanged without large penalties. There is no advance seat selection for groups on most airlines. Early check-in is necessary to secure seats with travel companions and those with special needs. Due to security measures taken at airports, it is advisable to arrive at the airport three hours prior to departure time. Seating is solely under the control of the airlines.

ADDITIONAL AIRLINE FEES:

You will likely incur additional airline checked baggage fees that are not included in the price of the tour. These fees vary by airline and are at the airline's discretion on each segment of the flight itinerary. Additionally, you may incur optional fees for food, excess baggage, overweight baggage, items of personal nature, etc.) as well. For more information, visit www.eo.travel/travel-info/airline-fees

ON OWN DEVIATIONS:

On Own Deviations from the standard tour program must be submitted in writing and are subject to additional airline fees, if applicable. Transfers for passengers who deviate are not included.

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Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While EOT will make every effort to ensure you will see all sites listed in this brochure, the availability of sites, order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in airline, hotel schedules, and local conditions. No changes to the itinerary are effective unless approved in writing and signed by an authorized officer of the tour operator. Except as stated herein, no other person is authorized to cancel, modify or vary the tour arrangements or to make any representation of warranty concerning the tour. Due to airline schedules, some participants may receive one or two extra leisure days at a nominal post day charge and some extensions may not be available on all departure dates. If itinerary changes necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged \$125 per night; single rooms \$175 per night. Meals for extra nights are not included.

VALIDITY DATE:

This brochure is valid until 04/15/23. If validity date has passed, current brochures may be found at www.eo.travel. Registrations will still be accepted after the validity date.

RELEASE INFORMATION:

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Dietary Requirement: _____

How did you learn about this tour? _____

Guest 2: First Name: _____ (Preferred Name) _____

Middle Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____ **Title:** _____

Street Address: _____ **P.O. Box:** _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Phone: _____ **Alt. Phone:** _____

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Emergency Contact: _____ **Relationship:** _____

Phone: _____ **Alt. Phone:** _____

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Roommate(s): _____

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\$1001 to \$1500	\$149	\$3001 to \$3500	\$349	\$5001 to \$5500	\$549	\$7001 to \$8000	\$799
\$1501 to \$2000	\$199	\$3501 to \$4000	\$399	\$5501 to \$6000	\$599	\$8001 to \$9000	\$899
\$2001 to \$2500	\$249	\$4001 to \$4500	\$449	\$6001 to \$6500	\$649	\$9001 to \$10,000	\$999

Schedule of Coverages	Maximum Benefit
Part A *	
Trip Cancellation	Trip Cost
Part B	
Trip Interruption	Trip Cost
Missed Connection	\$500
Travel Delay (Up to 10 days & up to \$200 Per Day)	\$2,000
Medical Expense / Emergency Evacuation	
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Baggage Delay	\$200

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