

TRAVEL NOTES

MONETARY CONVERSION: The exchange rate for the Israeli New Shekel is 4.25 to \$1 USD. We suggest you bring \$50 in \$1 bills because U.S. dollars are sometimes accepted in the Holy Land as currency.

PASSPORTS: Passports must be valid at least six months prior to July 25, 2010. No visas are needed.

ELECTRIC APPLIANCES: You will need both an adapter (for the socket) and a converter (to convert the electric current). Both items must be purchased before you leave the United States. Carry as few

electric items as possible; they occasionally are confiscated by Israeli airport security upon departure from Israel.

WEATHER: Summer temperatures are in the high 80s-90s. Tel Aviv and Tiberias will be hot and humid (like New York or Miami). Jerusalem is dryer and cooler, particularly at night. Masada and Eilat are extremely hot (110+°) but dry.

For more information about the Youth Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, visit www.kanuga.org.

YOUTH PILGRIMAGE APPLICATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. **Return this form with a nonrefundable, nontransferable deposit of \$500 per person** to Reservations, Kanuga Conferences, P.O. Box 250, Hendersonville, NC 28793. You may fax your form to 828-696-3589. Deposit deducted from total fee. **\$1,550 due April 30. Remaining \$1,500 due May 15. This form must be filled out completely with Parent's Authorization (if under 18) and Community Covenant signed and short essay attached for you to be eligible for this trip.**

Name (as written on passport) _____ Age _____ Male Female

Name you prefer _____ Birth date _____ T-shirt size _____

Address (P.O. Box, street, city, state, ZIP) _____

Church _____ Diocese _____

Day/cell phone (parent's if under 18) (_____) _____ Email _____

Payment method: Check MasterCard VISA Credit Card Number _____

Name on card _____ Security code _____ Exp. Date _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____ May we charge the balance due to your credit card on the balance due date? Yes No

Parent signature (if under 18) _____ Applicant signature _____

Please make checks payable to Kanuga Conferences Inc. Committed to the principles of equal opportunity, Kanuga Conferences makes its programs available without regard to race, color, creed, religion, gender, disability, age or national origin. Unless otherwise informed, Kanuga will consider your registration as permission to use your photograph/voice for its promotion, web site and news media coverage.

PARENT'S AUTHORIZATION (if under 18) MUST BE SIGNED. The information on this form is correct so far as I know, and the person herein described has permission to engage in all prescribed Kanuga activities, except as noted by me. In the event Kanuga is unable to reach parent or guardian in an emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by Kanuga to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for and to order injection, anesthesia or surgery for my child as named above.

Parent signature (if under 18) _____ Relation _____ Date _____

COMMUNITY COVENANT

I acknowledge and accept in writing that community life at a Kanuga-sponsored youth event is based upon mutual trust, respect for others and adherence to the spirit and to the specifics of a set of standards as follows:

- I will respect all others and their possession.
- I will treat all people and property encountered during the pilgrimage with respect and will treat all buildings and furnishings with care.
- I will not use or possess alcohol, illegal drugs, fireworks, firearms or any other kind of weapon.
- I will not use or possess tobacco in any form.
- I will not ride in or drive a motor vehicle without specific permission from the Kanuga administration or the pilgrimage leaders.
- I will remain with the pilgrimage group throughout the trip unless accompanied by an adult staff member designated by the trip leaders.
- I will not participate in inappropriate sexual behavior.
- I will not alter my appearance in any permanent or semi-permanent manner (i.e. tattooing, piercing, hair dyeing).

At the beginning of the pilgrimage, trip leaders will announce and hand out a written list of behavior expectations established for all participants – adults, youth and staff. These include, among other things, curfews, quiet time, required participation in certain activities and places that are off limits. Attending the Youth Pilgrimage to the Holy Land is a privilege and participants are encouraged to enter fully and cooperatively into the community life. Kanuga Conferences, through its president or a person designated by the president, reserves the right to terminate participation in the pilgrimage and to send home at his/her expense any person whose conduct is considered detrimental to the pilgrimage community or to Kanuga.

Applicant signature _____ Parent signature (if under 18) _____

PERSONAL REFERENCES (no family members)

Name _____ Phone(_____) _____ Email _____

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SHORT ESSAY

On a separate sheet, please respond to the following question in no more than 300 words: **Why do you want to go on the Youth Pilgrimage to the Holy Land?**



Kanuga
and Province IV
Youth Ministries

Youth Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

JULY 24-AUG. 7, 2010

Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Ramallah, Jifna, Jericho, Nazareth, Shefa-Amr, Jordan River, Galilee, Capernaum, Dead Sea, Gethsemane, Emmaus



Strap on your sandals for an incredible journey through the lands where Jesus walked.

Kanuga Conferences Inc. is partnering with Province IV and St. George's College in Jerusalem to host a **Youth Pilgrimage to the Holy Land July 24-Aug. 7, 2010.**

Participants will be joined by George Carey, Lord Carey of Clifton and archbishop of Canterbury from 1991-2002, **Lady Eileen Carey** and **the Rev. Canon John Peterson**, Washington National Cathedral's first Canon for Global Justice and Reconciliation, for this **unforgettable two-week journey.**

Visit the City of David, walk through King Hezekiah's Tunnel, **see the Dead Sea Scrolls**, go to the traditional site of the Nativity, **ride a boat on the Sea of Galilee**, float in the Dead Sea and **pray in the Garden of Gethsemane.**

The trip includes a meeting at the Peace Center with Palestinian youth from Bethlehem and an evening of Palestinian folk dancing. **The Scripture will come alive** as you visit the Jordan River, Nazareth, Masada, Qumran, Bethany, the Mount of Olives, Emmaus and much more!

This unique pilgrimage is designed for 34 young people ages 16-20. All applications must be received by Feb. 15, 2010. Adults who wish to accompany young people on their journey of faith are encouraged to apply too. After Feb. 15, any spaces not filled by young people will be offered to adult applicants.

COST

\$3,550 per person

All inclusive rate includes round-trip airfare from Charlotte to Tel Aviv, double occupancy lodging, all meals, transportation, tour guide fees, entrance fees for all sites listed in itinerary, portage at all hotels and tips for restaurant and hotel staff, tour guides and bus drivers.

A \$500 nonrefundable, nontransferable deposit is due with application. Applications must be received by Feb. 15, 2010. A payment of \$1,550 is due April 30 and the remaining \$1,500 due May 15.

COORDINATOR: Cookie Cantwell is the Province IV youth ministries coordinator and the youth ministries coordinator for St. James Parish in Wilmington, N.C. She has coordinated Kanuga's Winterlight and Adults Who Work With Youth conferences and Kanuga's 2000 Youth Pilgrimage to Taize.

CHAPERONES:

The Rev. David Umphlett is the rector of St. Mary's Episcopal Church in High Point, N.C. He was the spiritual director of Happening in the Diocese of East Carolina and a deputy to General Convention 2009.

Beth Crow is the youth missionary for the Diocese of North Carolina.

Dr. Tommy Koonce is a clinical assistant professor of family medicine at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's School of Public Health.



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DAY ONE: SATURDAY, JULY 24

Arrive at Kanuga and get to know your traveling companions.

DAY TWO: SUNDAY, JULY 25

Travel by bus to Atlanta for a direct flight to Tel-Aviv. Continue to St. George's Guest House, our lodging for the next four nights. Walk down to the Damascus Gate before meeting the Rt. Rev. Suheil Dawani, bishop of Jerusalem, for dinner.



Damascus Gate

DAY THREE: MONDAY, JULY 26

The day begins with a panoramic view from Mount Scopus, which offers views of the Judean Desert and the Mount of Olives. In the afternoon visit the City of David and walk through King Hezekiah's Tunnel, built through solid rock to carry waters from the Gihon Spring to the Pool of Siloam.

DAY FOUR: TUESDAY, JULY 27

Explore the four quarters of the Old City including the Israeli Museum and the Shrine of the Book, where the Dead Sea Scrolls are housed, Visit a scale model of Jerusalem that shows the city more as it would have been during Jesus' time and walk along the rampart of the Old City.

DAY FIVE: WEDNESDAY, JULY 28

Travel to Tekoa, the home of the prophet Amos. Visit the Holy Land Handcraft Cooperative Society and have lunch in Beit Sahour before seeing the Church of the Nativity in Manger Square, the oldest church in Christendom, constructed in A.D. 326 and the traditional site of the Nativity. The afternoon will be spent meeting at the Peace Center with Palestinian youth from Bethlehem area.



Western Wall

DAY SIX: THURSDAY, JULY 29

Visit the Western Wall, the Dome of the Rock, the Pools of Bethesda, St. Anne's Church, the Cardo and the Constantinian Entrance of the Church of the Resurrection before leaving for Ramallah, where we will enjoy a barbecue with local youth at the Vocational Training Center. Lodging for days five and six will be at St. Andrew's Guest House in Ramallah.

DAY SEVEN: FRIDAY, JULY 30

Learn about Palestinian culture in the village of Ein Arik where we'll visit the Orthodox Church and see beautiful icons and ancient cisterns. In the afternoon, go swimming in the village of Jifna followed by dinner and an evening of Palestinian folk dancing.

DAY EIGHT: SATURDAY, JULY 31

Travel to the Judean Desert to see the Old Roman Road and the Monastery of the Temptation, a Greek Orthodox monastery located along a cliff overlooking the Palestinian city of Jericho and the Jordan Valley. Depart for Galilee via the Jordan Valley. Have lunch in Nazareth before visiting Mary's Well, the site of the only spring-fed fountain in the city and most likely the place where Mary would have gone to draw water. Then visit the Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation for an introduction to icons followed by the Latin Church of the Annunciation, one of the traditional sites of the Angel Gabriel's appearance to Mary, telling her she would conceive Jesus. Lodging for days seven, eight and nine will be at Sisters of Nazareth.

DAY NINE: SUNDAY, AUGUST 1

Travel to the city of Shefa-Amr to celebrate the Eucharist at St. Paul's Church and then visit with local youth. If time permits, we also will visit the village of Tzippori (Sepphoris) and its beautifully preserved mosaics, once a center of Roman administration and Jewish scholarship in the first century.

DAY TEN: MONDAY, AUGUST 2

Go to the Jordan River where Jesus was baptized and Gamla, the only synagogue dating from the first century, before traveling to Golan Heights to see the abandoned town of Kuneitra and Banias (Caesarea Philippi), where Jesus went with his disciples, on the way asking "Who do men say that I am?"

DAY ELEVEN: TUESDAY, AUGUST 3

Visit the village of Tabgha and its Church of the Multiplication, the site where Jesus is believed to have fed loaves and fishes to 5,000 people. Then go to the first- and fourth-century remains of the synagogue



Sea of Galilee

in Capernaum where Jesus lived during his Galilean ministry. Walk down from the Mount of Beatitudes to Mt. Eremos and celebrate the Eucharist before enjoying a boat ride and swimming in the Sea of Galilee. In the evening, we'll depart for Jerusalem. Lodging for the rest of the trip will be at St. George's Guest House.



Floating in the Dead Sea

DAY TWELVE: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4

Travel to the Jordan Valley to visit Masada, a fortified palace of Herod the Great that saw heavy fighting between Jewish rebels and Roman soldiers in A.D. 73. Then continue to Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered. Afterward, float in the Dead Sea. It's impossible to sink!

DAY THIRTEEN: THURSDAY, AUGUST 5

Visit the church in Bethany built over Lazarus, Mary and Martha's house, the Mount of Olives and the Garden of Gethsemane. After lunch, we'll split into two groups. Group A will go to Via Dolorosa, a street within the Old City where Jesus walked, carrying his cross on the way to his crucifixion. Group B will have a free afternoon for last-minute shopping and packing.

DAY FOURTEEN: FRIDAY, AUGUST 6

Group B will go to Via Dolorosa while Group A has a free afternoon for last-minute shopping and packing. After lunch, we'll leave for Emmaus to celebrate the Eucharist at the Byzantine church and then join the Benedictine Monastery in Abu Ghosh for Vespers.

DAY FIFTEEN: SATURDAY, AUGUST 7

Leave for home. *Arrive in Charlotte Aug. 8.*