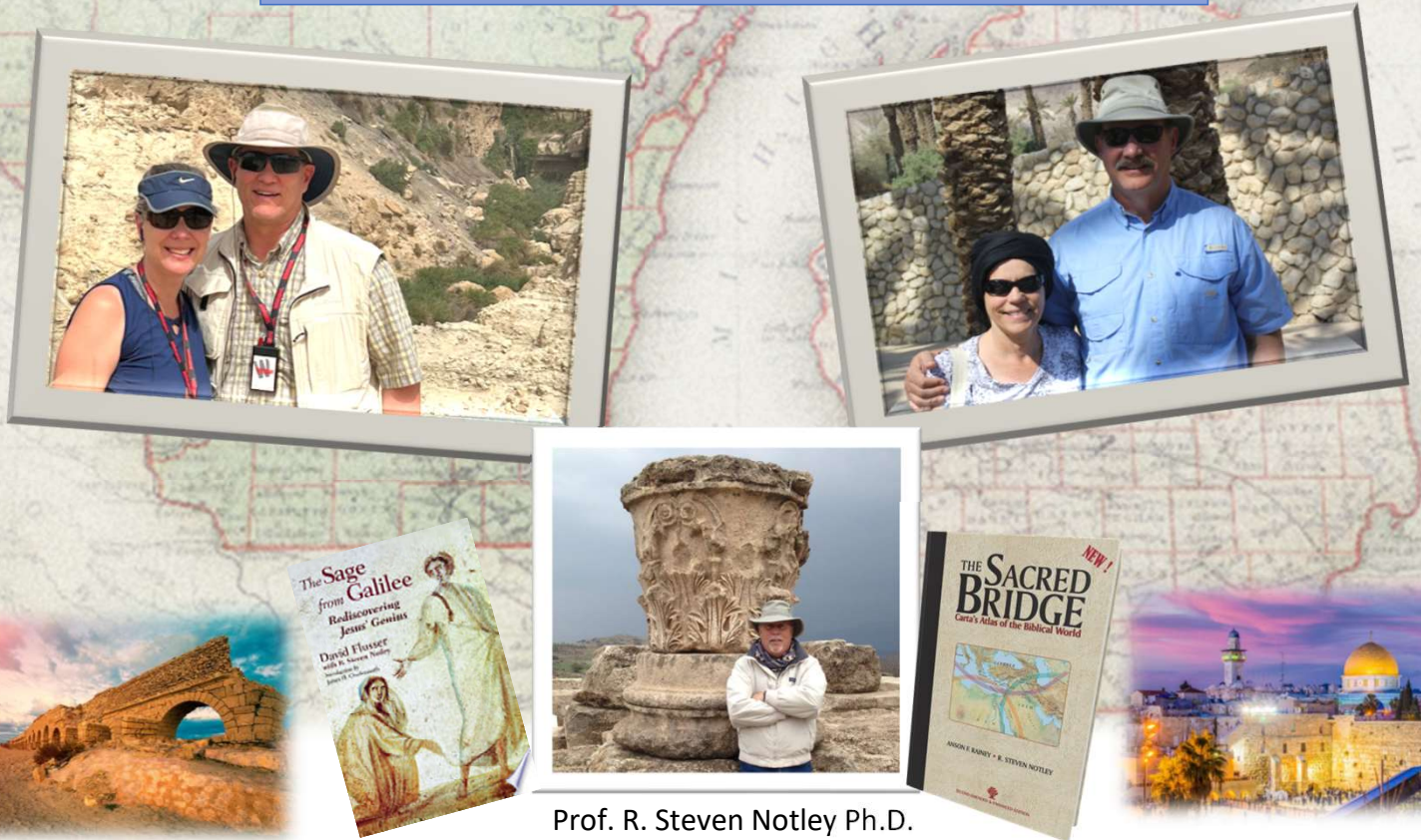


# From the Great Lakes to the City of the Great King

Israel Trip- June 12-25 2027

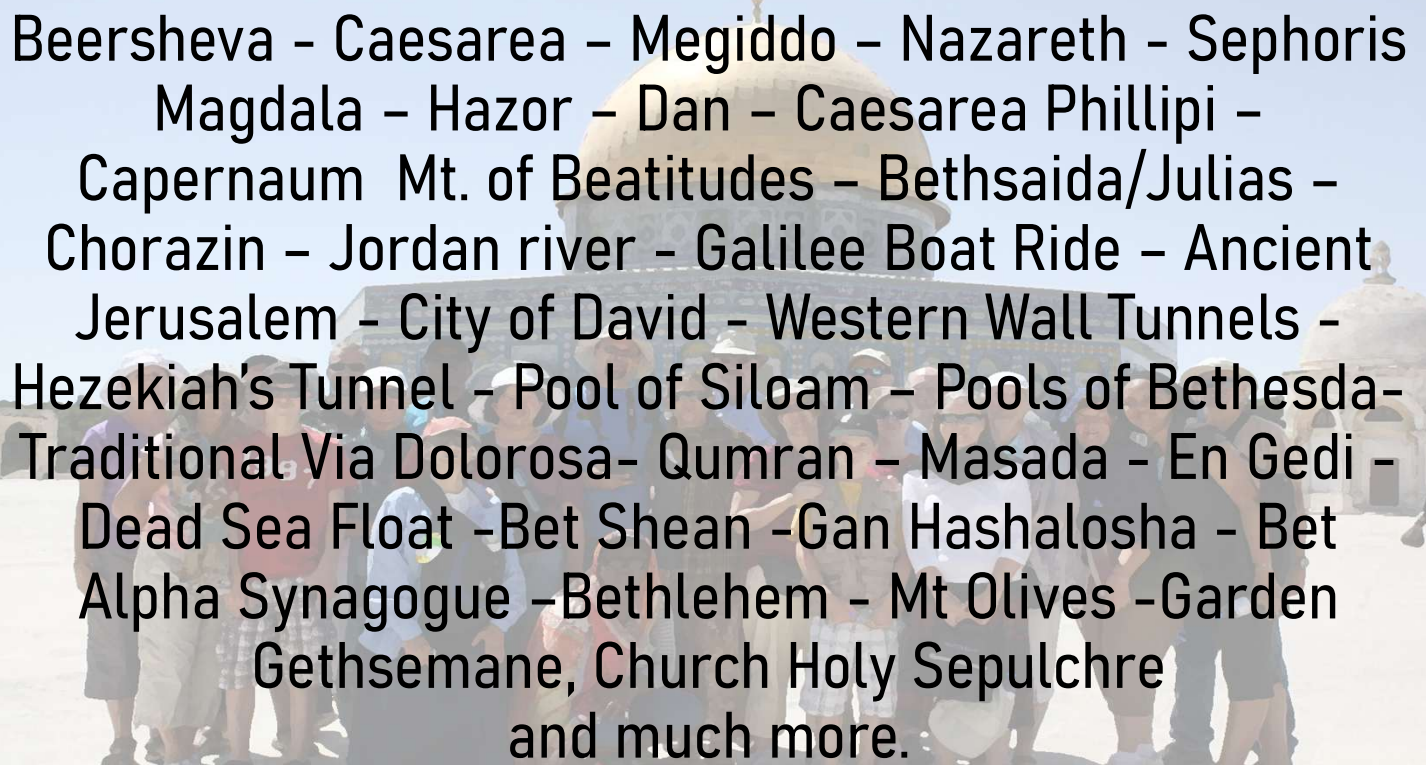


Prof. R. Steven Notley Ph.D.

## The Bible Come Alive as you Read the Text and Touch the Stones

You are invited to Join Bruce and Mary Okkema & Tom and Lori Guilliams on this 12-day tour of the Land of Israel. Both of our Families have been traveling to Israel for the past 20+ years and we wanted to share our journey with our family, friends, and new traveling companions. This tour is curated to include some of the most beloved and interesting sites (ancient and modern); locations which help us see and hear the Biblical narratives with a fresh perspective. This will be a study tour, full of rich biblical insights, challenging conversations and deep spiritual blessing. We will be led by our good friend and scholar Dr. Steven Notley Ph.D. He is one of the pre-eminent scholars of the Jewish world of First Century and the unique language, culture and worldview in which Jesus' teaching were first heard. His knowledge of Historical Geography allowed him to co-author one of Carta's most comprehensive biblical Atlas- the Sacred Bridge. Steve is also the academic director of the Bethsaida-Julias Archeological Excavation (a site we will visit) as we travel along the shores of the Sea of Galilee.

Our Lives have Been Transformed by Traveling through Israel, We Would Love to Share that with You



Beersheva – Caesarea – Megiddo – Nazareth – Sephoris  
Magdala – Hazor – Dan – Caesarea Phillipi –  
Capernaum Mt. of Beatitudes – Bethsaida/Julias –  
Chorazin – Jordan river – Galilee Boat Ride – Ancient  
Jerusalem – City of David – Western Wall Tunnels –  
Hezekiah's Tunnel – Pool of Siloam – Pools of Bethesda –  
Traditional Via Dolorosa – Qumran – Masada – En Gedi –  
Dead Sea Float – Bet Shean – Gan Hashaloshah – Bet  
Alpha Synagogue – Bethlehem – Mt Olives – Garden  
Gethsemane, Church Holy Sepulchre  
and much more.

We anticipate a full trip, Space is Limited, So Please Contact Us Soon!

When: June 12-25, 2027. (Arrival day in Israel June 13, Departure on 25<sup>th</sup> or late evening of 24<sup>th</sup>). Each Participant will be responsible to purchase their own flight to meet this itinerary once the trip is confirmed.

Cost: Land Prices are still being negotiated as we finalize the itinerary and hotels; flight prices are too early to predict. We suggest that each participant budget \$5,000 for the entire trip (land, air, lunches, souvenirs, sundries).

Partnership: We are partnering with Emmaus Journeys (Steve and Sunya Notley) for all the land details of our journey. Our Tour is listed on their [website](http://emmausjourneys.com) (emmausjourneys.com) and will be updated as more details come in.

Study Tour: Our goal is to see and explore as much of the land, walls, valleys and mountains as we can reasonably traverse in our 12-days in Israel. This itinerary requires a bit of walking (hiking for some) and is not suitable for someone with limited mobility or difficulty in walking uneven trails. Our pace is steady, though not hurried, as we move from site to site; some days will feel longer than others. As a study tour, we will spend time reading the bible texts, Josephus and other ancient texts; as well as discussing ideas that challenge our (often) simplistic understanding of biblical passage. Come ready to be challenged physically, intellectually, emotionally and spiritually- you will never be the same after this trip.