

Israel Study Tour with **Prof Yuehan Fu** (Brisbane, Australia)

13 Days/12 Nights on Land in Israel (14 days altogether) February 14th – February 28th 2017

Led by: Prof Yuehan Fu

	LAND Rates Per person for 20 or more passengers in US\$	LAND & Air Rates Per person for 20 or more passengers in US\$
Per Person in a Shared	\$2725.00	\$4275.00
Double/Twin Room with Roundtrip		
Airfare from Brisbane		
Discount for Third Person in a	-\$100.00	-\$100.00
Shared Triple Room		
Single Supplement (additional cost	+\$850.00	+\$850.00
for single room)		

All final payment prices are in US dollars and will be adjusted according to the current exchange rate at the time of final payment.

Register Online

What's included?

- Round-trip group airfare from Brisbane, Australia on Turkish Airlines or similar (if selected upon checkout) Up to a \$1550 value including credit card fees
- Transfers to and from Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion International Airport
- Luggage & Airport services upon arrival/departure
- Tour Leader (Chinese-Speaking)
- Licensed Israeli Tour Guide (English)
- 13 days of new air-conditioned tour bus & driver
- 12 nights in High 3-Star/Low 4-Star accommodations
- Full Buffet Breakfast & Dinner each day (soft drinks & alcohol not included)
- Biblical Breakfast at Neot Kedumim on morning of arrival
- All park fees & scheduled activities and entertainment
- Internal Headset Whisper System for groups of 20 or more
- Traveler's Kit (hat, map, 2 starter water bottles)
- Bus Banners and Name Tags
- Pilgrimage Certificate
- Cash gratuities for hotel staff, guide & driver (\$120 per person value). Note: You are welcome to add a generous love offering at the end of the tour
- All Credit Card Fees

What's not included?

- Lunches
- Any *substantial* fuel surcharges, tax increases or fare increases for flights beyond a \$1,550 value for the group flight costs
- Individual Airfare Bookings. If you'd like us to book your airfare from a different country of origin, or divert from the main group flight please add a \$75 booking fee
- Any diversion that may result in an increase in airfare or land costs.
- Personal expenses such as telephone calls from room, mini bar, room service, etc.
- Optional Traveler's Insurance
- All Israeli Visa & Border Fees (all USA and Australian passport holders are **exempt**)

How to Register

- <u>Click here to register online</u> or paste the following web link into your browser: http://samsontours.com/group-tours/1145-2017-israel-study-tour-with-professor-yuehan-fu
- **Fax** your Registration Details to +1-352-835-0885 (see forms below)

Deadlines

Milestones & Deadlines	Due Date	Action Required
Group Minimum Should be Reached; All Deposits Paid; Non-Refundable Airline Deposit of \$100 per person goes into effect	Oct 14th 2016	
Final Payments are Due	Nov 14th 2016	
Land Deposits become non-refundable to Samson	Nov 14th 2016	
Last Day for Early Bird Registration	Nov 14th 2016	
Late Registration Fee of \$200 Goes into effect	Nov 15th 2016	
All Passenger Info is Due (Passports, Roommates, etc.)	Dec 15th 2016	Updates Online
Last day to send Names List (see Names List Template) for ticketing	Jan 13th 2016	
Final Airfare Payment is Due to Airlines by Samson (must retain 80%)	Jan 13th 2016	
Airline Tickets are issued	Jan 14th 2016	

Itinerary

* This itinerary is subject to minor changes. The final dates will be posted no later than 9 months prior to departure, once a group airfare has been secured. A final itinerary will be provided no later than 2 months before departure. Alternative hotels of similar or better class may be substituted. Final hotel arrangements will be posted no later than 4 months before departure.

Note: For most touring days there will be a 6:00 am wake up, 6:45 breakfast, 7:30 departure. We should arrive at the hotel by 5:00 pm on most touring days.

Tuesday, February 14th (Meals & Entertainment in flight)

- Depart from Brisbane, Australia or anywhere in the world
- 14:40 Group Departure from Brisbane (BNE) on Turkish Airlines TK9331
- 20:40 Arrive in Singapore (SIN)
- 23:35 Depart Singapore for Istanbul on TK55

Wednesday, February 15th - (B/D)

- 06:50 Depart Istanbul for Tel Aviv on Turkish Airlines TK784
- 08:55 Morning arrival to Tel Aviv-Yafo, Israel at Ben Gurion International Airport
- Tour the Neot Kedumim Biblical Landscape Reserve
- Visit Caesarea (Herod's Palace, Roman Theatre, Hippodrome, Aqueduct)
- End the day on Mount Carmel (Monastery of Muhraka)
- Overnight & Dinner: Colony Hotel, Haifa

Thursday, February $16^{th} - (B/D)$

- Morning visit to the Bahai Gardens
- Haifa Hecht Museum (opens at 10am)
- Megiddo
- Nazareth (Nazareth Village, Church of Annunciation, Sisters of Nazareth Convent)
- Sepphoris
- Time permitting, we'll visit Cana (Khirbet Cana) (not Kefar Kenna)
- Overnight & Dinner: Leonardo Club (newly refurbished) or similar

Friday, February 17th – (B/D)

- Hazor
- Tel Dan
- Caesarea Philippi
- Capernaum/Tomb of Centurion

- Capernaum St Peter Church
- Chorazin
- Mountain of Beatitudes
- Church of the Primacy of Peter, Mensa Christi
- Overnight & Dinner: Leonardo Club or similar

Saturday, February 18th – (B/D)

- Bethsaida
- Hike down Mount Arbel
- Visit the 1st century boat ('the Jesus Boat') discovered at Kibbutz Ginosar
- Boat ride on the Sea of Galiee
- Restful afternoon
- Overnight & Dinner: Leonardo Club or similar

Sunday, February 19th – (B/D)

- Beth Shean
- Elisha's Bed at Tel Rehov
- Gilgal Argaman (Moshav Argaman)
- Jordan Baptismal Site of Qasr el Yehud
- Qumran and also hike up to Cave 11
- Lookout over Ein Gedi
- Dead Sea Swim and relaxation in the hotel's spa
- Overnight & Dinner: Prima Oasis or similar

Monday, February $20^{th} - (B/D)$

- Masada (cable car up /down)
- Drive down the Aravah Valley
- Timna (includes visit to the Tabernacle)
- Afternoon by the Red Sea
- Overnight & Dinner: <u>Atlas Nova Like</u> or similar

Tuesday, February 21st (B/D)

- Drive via the Negev
- View of the Ramon Crater
- Visit Tel Sheva Abraham's Oath
- Security permitting, visit Hebron (Cave of the Machpelah)
- Bethlehem (Church of the Nativity, Shepherds Fields, local Bazaar)
- Overnight & Dinner: Dan Jerusalem Hotel or similar

Wednesday, February 22nd (B/D)

- Temple Mount
- Temple Western Wall
- Western Wall tunnel
- Temple Southern Steps
- Burnt House
- Broad Wall
- Cardo
- City Gates
- Overnight & Dinner: <u>Dan Jerusalem Hotel</u> or similar

Thursday, February 23rd (B/D)

- Rockefeller Museum
- Tell Jericho
- Shilo
- Bethel
- Mt. Gerizim
- Ancient Samaria
- Overnight & Dinner: Dan Jerusalem Hotel or similar

Friday, February 24th (B)

- City of David
- Hezekiah's Tunnel and the Pool of Siloam
- Israel Museum and the Shrine of the Book
- Afternoon of Leisure
- Overnight & Dinner: <u>Dan Jerusalem Hotel</u> or similar

Saturday, February 25th (B/D)

- Mount Olives
- Pater Noster ("Our Father")
- Dominus Flevit
- Garden of Gethsemane and the Church of All Nations
- Caiaphas House ('St. Peter en Gallicantu')
- Pools of Bethesda
- Via Dolorosa
- Church of the Holy Sepulcher
- Lutheran Church of the Redeemer
- St Alexander Nevsky Church
- Overnight & Dinner: <u>Dan Jerusalem Hotel</u> or similar

Sunday, February 26th (B/D)

- Walk on the Road to Emmaus
- Tel Beth Shemesh
- Gath
- Elah Valley (and Cave of Adullam)
- Beit Guvrin/Moresheth (Micah)
- Lachish
- Overnight & Dinner: Leonardo Ashkelon

Monday, February 27th (B)

- Rest this morning by the Mediterranean Sea
- Visit the Canaanite gateway at Ashkelon
- Tour Jaffa (Joppa)
- End the day at the Eretz Israel Museum (Tel Miqne, a Philistine Site)
- Have a late lunch/early dinner on your own at the port of Tel Aviv
- 18:00 Transfer to Airport
- 21:05 Group Departure from Tel Aviv to Istanbul on Turkish Airlines TK789
- 23:40 Arrive in Istanbul

Tuesday, February 28th (B)

- 01:10 Depart Istanbul (IST) for Singapore on Turkish Airlines TK54
- 17:55 Arrive in Singapore
- 21:15+1 Depart Singapore for Brisbane, Australia on Turkish Airlines TK9322. (Arrive in Brisbane at 07:15 on March 1)

Policies

- Final Itinerary & Hotels: The itinerary may be updated from time to time at the discretion of Samson Tours, its guide and its tour leader. Final Hotel Arrangements will be posted no later than 100 days before departure. In the event of a hotel change, Samson Tours will guarantee a replacement at the same quality or provide an upgrade to a higher class of accommodations at no extra charge.
- **Group Minimum:** A minimum of **20** paying participants are required for this tour program. If the group minimum is not reached by 4 months before departure, Samson Tours or its tour leader will have the right to either a.) request that all tour members pay a supplement for the increase in costs of no greater than \$500.00 per person and operate the group at the same quality; b.) lower the hotel class by at least 1 star to offset the increased costs; or c.) postpone the dates until a minimum number of participants are achieved.
- **Group Maximum:** A maximum **50** paying participants will be allowed to join this unique tour program.
- **Group Airfare:** Samson Tours works alongside the tour leader to find the best airfare and best price for the group. In order to request a group airfare price, there must be at least 10 passengers on the group flight. The airfare will be paid to the airline in full upon their request and subject to their cancellation/refund policies.
- **Booking your own Airfare:** If you are not joining your tour's group airfare, please do not book your airfare until 90 days before the tour departure date or until the Notice of Group Minimum has been sent to you.
- Flight Diversions: If you elect to be on the group flight and wish to depart from a different city of origin, you can a.) Book your own domestic airfare connection or b.) Select the Add-On in your My Account for a \$50.00 Domestic Flight Booking Fee. Any costs or savings for the additional flight will be added or deducted from your tour balance. Please contact us with your specific departure city request.
- Deposit & Payments for Land: To ensure your spot on the tour, we request a \$400.00 deposit be paid upon signup. The deposit (less a \$100.00 non-refundable fee per person) and any other payments made are refundable up to 90 days before departure. After that, the remaining deposit amount is non-refundable, but can be used as a future credit with Samson Tours or converted into a Gift Certificate which you can transfer to a third party. The deposit can be paid by cash, check, money order, bank transfer, debit or credit card. If the tour is canceled by Samson Tours, then you will be entitled to a full refund without any cancellation fee. This refund of cancellation fee does not apply to tour leader cancellations or postponements due to group minimums not being reached. For cases of political instability or cancellations or postponements due to force majeure, please see the Force Majeure section below.
- Final Payments: The final payment will be made 90 days before departure. Payments made by check or cash will be made in US\$ to Samson Tours, Inc. Payments made by debit or credit card to Samson Tours, Inc. will be charged the full balance. If there are any unpaid fuel surcharges for the group flight, they will be billed to you at cost per the group airline contract either before or after the tour. There is a Late Payment Fee of \$200.00 if the balance is paid after the final payment date.
- Late Registrations & Payments: Theoretically, you can join a tour anytime up to the time of the departure date (Land Only and subject to Hotel Availability). There will be a Late Payment Fee of \$200.00 and an additional \$50.00 fee if you require airfare assistance. If a hotel or other service listed in the itinerary is unavailable, we will find an alternative hotel for you, however you will be responsible for any transportation costs to/from joining the main group.
- Land Diversions: If you arrive either before or after the recommended group departure/arrival time, or if your flight is delayed beyond a reasonable waiting period, or if you elect to divert or add-on additional days to the trip, then it is understood that you will arrive at the hotel or to the airport at your own expense. We will more than happy to assist you with these arrangements
- Refunds (Land): The following refunds for the land portion of the price will apply for non-insured travelers only: Your balance less a non-refundable fee of \$100.00 per person, which is transferable or can be applied to future tours if cancelled 90+ calendar days before departure.

75% refund of balance less a non-refundable fee of \$100.00 per person if cancelled 89-60 days before departure. 50% of balance less a non-refundable fee of \$100.00 per person refund if cancelled 59-30 days before departure. 0% refund if cancelled 29 or less days before departure.

- **Refunds (Group Air):** Per group contract with airline. Typically, there is a \$100 non-refundable fee up to 3 months before departure and 100% non-refundable 30 or less days before departure. Most airlines will, however, allow you to postpone your travel dates for a re-ticketing or name transfer fee.
- Force Majeure: If Samson Tours decides to postpone the tour do to political unrest or for any reason beyond our company's control that could compromise your security, then your balance will carry over to the new tour dates. Depending on the new dates, there may be an increase in costs for tours that are rescheduled within 1 year. If you are unable to join the new tour dates, then you will be entitled to a refund, less the cancellation fee (see Deposits) and any other non-refundable deposits that may be imposed on us by suppliers such as airlines and hotels. The deposit and/or balances amount can also be applied to any future tour or may be transferable to a third party.
- Travel Insurance Samson Tours does not require travel insurance. It is, however, strongly advised that all travelers equip themselves with a comprehensive travel insurance plan through Travel Guard. You can obtain an individual travel insurance quote, by visiting our Insurance page and clicking on any of the 'Get a Quote' links that refer you to the World Nomads website. Travel Insurance coverage begins ONLY from the time you have purchased travel insurance. It is advisable only to purchase travel insurance when you have made non-refundable payments that exceed the amount of travel insurance purchased.
- Add-ons once you have registered for a tour you can select from a variety of add-ons in your My
 Account area you may select or deselect any of these add-ons (extension tour, hotels, late fees,
 etc.) until 30 days before your tour.
- Your Health: All participants should be in good health and walking condition. This program is active and involves a lot of walking over uneven surfaces and climbing stairs. All locations may not be accessible for the disabled. Having a disability does not disqualify you from joining any tour. However, be advised that you may have to forgo portions of the said itinerary by waiting on the bus or in a safe location until the main group has returned. If you require special accommodation, please report this at the time of your reservation so that we can better serve you.
- **Single Supplement:** For single travelers, a single supplement fee for the hotels is required. This usually amounts to around 85%-90% of the Double Room cost. If a person has ordered a double room and his or her roommate cancels his or her tour, then the individual holding a double room must find a new roommate or pay the single supplement.
- Exchange Rate: Samson Tours, Inc. reserves the right to charge a supplement to the price if the dollar falls below the 3.5 threshold. To date, we have never yet had to charge an exchange rate surcharge.
- Government Imposed VAT or taxes: Currently there are no VAT taxes for foreign on tour land packages to Israel. Should such a tax be imposed before the start of the tour, even after 'final payment' has been made, Samson Tours will notify all of its participants in writing. In order to participate in the tour, you will be required to pay all such taxes before the start of the tour. If you are an Israeli Citizen you will be asked to pay VAT at the time of you final payment.
- Responsibility Samson Tours, Inc., its agents, suppliers, guides, leaders and representatives shall be, in no way, liable or responsible for any personal or property loss, damage or injury howsoever caused. The company shall also not be responsible for penalties for privately-booked flight tickets if purchased before the minimum is reached.
- **Update** These policies may be updated from time to time. Upon update, you will be notified by Samson Tours, Inc. or its group leader.



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Travel Information

② I'm sitting on the fence (will decide later)
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Travel information is required 3 months before departure. If you do not know this information now, leave blank and we will contact you at a later time.

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Please submit this form to the tour leader or fax us directly, along with your credit card form, to 352-835-0885.



CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM

(Visa, MasterCard, Discover, Amex)

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(By signing, you agree to let Samson Tours, Inc. and/or its agents to process your payments with the details provided above.