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Emanu-El Family Trip to Israel Version 2 (May 2009) December 21, 2009-January 2, 2010

Date	Program	Meals/Overnight
Monday December 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome dinner and Opening Program in the port of Caesarea. Continue to hotel for check-in. 	<p><u>Welcome Dinner at Aresto</u></p> <p>Overnight: Nir Etzion Hotel</p>
Tuesday December 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit the Talmudic City of Zippori, where Rabbi Yehuda Hanassi compiled the Mishnah and site of some of the most beautiful mosaics in the Middle East. (Parallel Program). • Hike down the Arbel Cliff. • Visit the Kinneret Cemetery, where many of the <i>halutzim</i> (pioneers) who built the State of Israel are buried. • Return to hotel for dinner and overnight. 	<p><u>Packed Lunch</u></p> <p><u>Dinner at hotel</u></p> <p>Overnight: Nir Etzion Hotel</p>
Wednesday December 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jewish-Arab Coexistence Program in the Western Galilee. • Visit the multi-media Holocaust Museum at Kibbutz Lohamei Hagetaot. • Meet IDF soldiers who are serving along the Lebanese Border. • Return to hotel for dinner. 	<p>Lunch-on own en route</p> <p><u>Dinner at hotel</u></p> <p>Overnight: Nir Etzion Hotel</p>
Thursday December 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit the Atlit Internment Camp where Jewish refugees from World War II were confined by the British. • Enjoy Druze hospitality and lunch in Usafiya. • Volunteer hands-on with Project Leket, picking left over fruits & vegetables to be donated to local soup kitchens. • Enjoy dinner at “Kapiche”, where your wait staff are all deaf followed by a moving performance by the “<i>Na Lagaat</i> (Please Touch)” theater where all the actors are blind and deaf. 	<p><u>Druze Lunch</u></p> <p><u>Dinner at Kapiche</u></p> <p>Overnight: Tal Hotel, Tel Aviv</p>

Friday December 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Join a “virtual” Palmach unit at the Palmach Museum. • Visit the Ayalon Institute, a secret underground bullet factory from the Mandate Period. • Stroll through the Nahalat Binyamin neighborhood during the weekly arts & crafts fair. • Kabbalat Shabbat with the community of Beit Daniel followed by Shabbat dinner at hotel. 	<p>Lunch-on own</p> <p><u>Dinner at hotel</u></p> <p>Overnight: Tal Hotel, Tel Aviv</p>
Shabbat December 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shabbat morning services at Beit Daniel followed by home hospitality lunch or lunch at the hotel. • Afternoon free. Group Havdalah followed by group dinner in Tel Aviv’s Yemenite Quarter. 	<p><u>Home Hospitality Lunch (or at hotel)</u></p> <p><u>Dinner at Maganda</u></p> <p>Overnight: Tal Hotel, Tel Aviv</p>
Sunday December 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dig up history with your hands at an archaeological excavation at Bet Guvrin. • Continue south the to the Negev. Visit the grave of Israel’s first Prime Minister, David Ben Gurion at Kibbutz Sdeh Boker. • Check-in and dinner at the hotel. • Evening: Star Gazing at Har Gamal. 	<p><u>Picnic Lunch</u></p> <p><u>Dinner at hotel</u></p> <p>Overnight: Pundak Ramon, Mitzpeh Ramon</p>
Monday December 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exciting jeep ride in Maktesh Ramon (the Ramon Crater), a unique geological wonder. • Enjoy an authentic Moroccan lunch prepared in the homes of residents. • Camel ride at Mamshit and Bedouin “tea” hospitality. • Continue to the Dead Sea for check-in and time to enjoy the spa and float in the Dead Sea. 	<p><u>Moroccan Lunch in Yerucham</u></p> <p><u>Dinner at hotel</u></p> <p>Overnight: Isrotel Dead Sea</p>
Tuesday December 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ascend Herod’s mountain fortress of Masada by the Roman Ramp in time for sunrise. (Parallel Program). • Light breakfast in the Masada youth hostel. • Hike to Nahal David’s waterfall in the Ein Gedi Nature Reserve. • En route to Jerusalem, meet Ethiopian families who crossed the desert to Sudan to wait for months in refugee camps before being airlifted to Israel by the Mossad. • Check-in and free evening. 	<p><u>Breakfast at Masada Youth Hostel</u></p> <p>Lunch-on own at Ein Gedi</p> <p>Dinner-on own in Jerusalem</p> <p>Overnight: Mt. Zion Hotel, Jerusalem</p>

Wednesday December 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin the day where Jerusalem started 3000 years ago! Descend to the City of David to see the 3D movie and learn about David and Bathsheeba. • Lunch stop and Shopping time in the Cardo. • Adults-Political Briefing followed by meeting with Rami Nasrallah, director of the International Peace and Cooperation Center. (Parallel Program). Kids-Ride the “Time Elevator” and walk along the Ramparts of the Old City. • Evening: “Spiritual Check-up” with Rabbi Aryeh Ben David 	<p>Lunch-on own in Jewish Quarter</p> <p>Dinner-on own in Jerusalem</p> <p>Overnight: Mt. Zion Hotel, Jerusalem</p>
Thursday December 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bar/Bat Mitzvah Ceremony at the Haas Promenade followed by celebratory Brunch. • Afternoon and evening at leisure. 	<p><u>Celebratory Brunch</u></p> <p>Dinner-on own</p> <p>Overnight: Mt. Zion Hotel, Jerusalem</p>
Friday January 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We learn and remember at Yad Vashem including the historical museum and Children’s Memorial. (Parallel program for young kids at the Biblical Zoo). • Free time. • Kabbalat Shabbat with the Reform community of Har El followed by home hospitality dinner. 	<p>Lunch-on own in Jewish Quarter</p> <p><u>Home Hospitality Dinner</u></p> <p>Overnight: Mt. Zion Hotel, Jerusalem</p>
Shabbat January 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shabbat morning services at Hebrew Union College followed by kiddush. Optional Study Session with the Saltz Center. Shabbat lunch at Bet Shmuel. • Optional walking tour of Yemin Moshe. Summary and conclusion session. • Group Havdalah followed by a farewell dinner. 	<p><u>Shabbat Lunch at Bet Shmuel</u></p> <p><u>Farewell Dinner</u></p> <p>Overnight: Mt. Zion Hotel, Jerusalem</p>
Sunday January 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optional Extension: • Yad L’Kashish-Lifeline of the Elderly, where shopping is a mitzvah! • Kotel Tunnels • Tree-planting ceremony 	

All breakfasts plus underlined meals are included in the package price.