

## ISRAEL TRIP APPLICATION FORM (Departing from outside the USA)

**Dates: March 8-20, 2024**

**Cost: \$1,900\* USD per person excluding airfare**

Note: applications for enrolled WOLBI students will be given priority until October 9, 2024.

**By signing this, you agree to all of the following. Please read carefully!**

- This trip is reserved exclusively for WOLBI students, alumni, and staff.
- Your signature below constitutes a commitment to participate in the Israel trip at your expense.
- This is NOT a ministry trip but rather a personally-funded enrichment trip. As such, tax-deductible donations cannot be raised in the name of Word of Life to cover its cost.
- If you are an enrolled WOLBI student, the cost of this trip cannot be added to your student bill. Students with large outstanding balances on their student bill may be denied participation in the trip.
- A \$300 non-refundable reservation fee will be payable to Word of Life no later than **November 24, 2023**. This will be applied to the cost of the trip. Half the remaining cost (\$800) will be payable to Word of Life no later than **January 12, 2024**. The remaining balance (\$800) will be due no later than **February 2, 2024**. Only one of these installments may be reimbursed up to two weeks before departure. All payments may be made in cash, check to *Word of Life*, or credit card at [www.wordoflife.edu/payments](http://www.wordoflife.edu/payments). Select US Bible Institute and then the "Israel Trip - BI" option.
- See page 2 for further details regarding insurance coverage and trip cancellation policies.
- Space is limited and all applications will be honored on a first-come, first-served basis upon receipt of the \$300 reservation fee. Word of Life staff and alumni may apply at any time, but enrolled WOLBI students will be given priority until October 9, 2023 as noted above. Once space has been filled, applicants will be placed on a waiting list. Reservation fees will be reimbursed to any applicant who is declined due to a lack of space.
- Airfare is NOT included in the cost of the trip for participants making their own flight arrangements. See page 4 for critical travel and arrival details.
- A passport with an expiry date no earlier than September 30, 2024 will be required by **January 9, 2024**. This is the responsibility of all trip participants and is NOT included in the cost of the trip.
- If applicable, classes missed due to participation in this trip must be made up by arrangement with the academic office.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If you have a passport, fill in your full name as it appears therein)

Do you have a passport?    Yes    No

Date of birth: (mm/dd/yy) \_\_\_\_\_

Passport number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Issuing country: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry date: (mm/dd/yy) \_\_\_\_\_

**Date and time received with \$300 reservation fee: \_\_\_\_\_**

**This page to be received by the WOLBI office with a \$300 non-refundable deposit no later than November 24, 2023.**

\* Price listed is for multiple occupancy (3-4 people per room). Double occupancy is subject to availability and adds \$100 per person to the price.

## TRIP INSURANCE AND CANCELLATION

The following information applies to all trip participants, regardless of their point of departure, and reflects what is in effect as of this writing. Changes beyond the control of Word of Life are possible.

### Trip insurance

There are currently no restrictions or requirements relating to Covid-19 except that you must hold travel or health insurance with coverage for the treatment of COVID-19 for the duration of your trip. Proof of such insurance may be requested upon arrival. This insurance is included in the cost of the trip. See [here](#) for a full description of coverage.

### Trip cancellation

- If the trip is cancelled by Word of Life prior to November 28, 2023 due to unforeseen health or safety concerns, all funds will be reimbursed including the reservation fee.
- If the trip is cancelled due to unforeseen health or safety concerns which cause the airline to cancel our flights to Israel, the airline portion of the trip cost will become available for reimbursement. We will then do our best to secure the greatest possible reimbursement of the rest of the trip cost. The reservation fee will remain non-refundable.
- If a trip participant must cancel within two weeks of trip departure due to documented medical emergencies, we will do our very best to replace them with someone on the waiting list. If this is possible, a full reimbursement will be made including the reservation fee. If this is not possible, we will do our best to secure the greatest reimbursement that we can. The reservation fee will remain non-refundable.

### RISK AND MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

Participant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I acknowledge that participation in the Israel trip March 8-20, 2024 involves risk to the Participant (or parent/guardian, if Participant is under 21 years of age collectively included hereinafter in the term "Participant"), and may result in various types of injury including, but not limited to the following: sickness, bodily injury, death, emotional injury, personal injury, property damage and financial damage.

In consideration for the opportunity to participate in the Israel trip, the Participant acknowledges and accepts the risk of injury associated with participation in the trip. The Participant accepts personal financial responsibility for any injury sustained during the trip. Further, the Participant promises to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Word of Life Fellowship, Inc. and its agents, employees, volunteers, or any other representatives (collectively included hereinafter in the term "WOL") for any injury related directly or indirectly out of the above trip, whether such injury arises out of the negligence of WOL or otherwise.

If a dispute over this agreement or any claim for damages arises, the Participant agrees to resolve the matter through a mutually acceptable alternative dispute resolution process.

Is sponsor authorized to approve medical treatment?  Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency contact phone number

Is participant covered by personal/family medical insurance?  Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse (if married) Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Witness \_\_\_\_\_

**If the Participant is under 21 years of age, the following must also be signed and notarized (in addition to the above).**

I do hereby give permission for my above son/daughter to travel and participate in the activities of the Israel trip March 8-20, 2024.

I understand that you will exercise, to the best of your ability, standards of control for the best interests of the group. Therefore, I do give my permission for you to make any decisions and carry out any disciplinary action necessary to connect with my son/daughter during the above period of time.

In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission for authorized personnel of Word of Life Fellowship, Inc. to make any medical or legal decisions as may be deemed necessary. Furthermore, I will not hold Word of Life, Inc. liable for any damages to the participant caused by an accident while under your control. I agree that I will be solely responsible for any emergency expenses that may arise for my child's care during this trip.

In the case of an emergency, contact me at the following phone number(s):

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone \_\_\_\_\_

If Participant is under the custody of both parents, both parents' signatures are required.  
If not, only the signature of the parent who has custody is required.

FATHER / GUARDIAN (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_ FATHER / GUARDIAN (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER / GUARDIAN (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_ MOTHER / GUARDIAN (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn and subscribed to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

NOTARY (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_

NOTARY (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

NOTARY SEAL REQUIRED FOR PARTICIPANTS UNDER 21

**This page to be received by the WOLBI office no later than January 9, 2024.**

## TRAVEL AND ARRIVAL INFORMATION

### Flights

As you make your travel plans, here are the key items to keep in mind:

- **Airport:** Ben Gurion International airport (TLV) in Tel Aviv. We have no airline preference or suggestion.
- **Arrival time:** no later than 10:00am on Saturday, March 9, 2024 because the bus leaves around 11:00am!
- **Departure time:** this is not as critical as your arrival time. The last thing included in the cost of the trip is breakfast on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at the Gloria Hotel in Old City Jerusalem. From there, it's a 45-minute taxi ride to the airport and you should plan to be there three hours ahead of departure to allow for plenty of time to get through security which tends to be longer than at other airports. Please contact [markstrout@wol.org](mailto:markstrout@wol.org) if you require additional nights before or after the trip.
- **Once your flight details are finalized, please send them to [markstrout@wol.org](mailto:markstrout@wol.org).**

### Arrival – Customs – Money exchange

- After getting off the plane, you'll walk around a large circle that looks down onto restaurants below. Please note that it is NOT possible to access this area as it is reserved for departures. You will then go down a long glass corridor (left pic below) to **customs**. You'll be issued a free 90-day tourist visa which you'll need to scan to enter the luggage area. Please keep this visa slip in your passport as you may be asked for it while in country. If you are asked about where you will be staying, you can provide the information on the following page of this document.
- The **money exchange counters** are located in the middle of the baggage claim area (right pic below). We recommend changing no more than \$20-30 here and waiting until Jerusalem to change the bulk of what you intend to spend on souvenirs in order to get a better exchange rate. There's also a money exchange counter after you exit the luggage area into the Arrivals Hall. Note: free WiFi is available in the airport.
- As you step into the Arrivals Halls, your view is shown in the 3<sup>rd</sup> picture below. **Bathrooms** are available straight ahead on the opposite side of the room to the far left and far right. There is also another money exchange counter on the opposite side towards the left if you missed the one in the baggage claim area.
- If you arrive ahead of everyone else, you should plan on **waiting in the seating area** to your right as you walk out (yellow arrow). This is where the group will congregate once they've cleared customs and retrieved their luggage. The flight for the group from the USA is scheduled to arrive at 9:00am aboard Turkish Airlines flight #784.



## **ADDRESSES IF REQUESTED BY ISRAELI CUSTOMS**

### **Week 1: Ein Gev Holiday Resort**

Ein Gev, 14940

Tel.: 972-4-665-9800

### **Week 2: Gloria Hotel**

33 Latin Patriarchate Street

Jerusalem

Tel.: 972-2-628-2431