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IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE HOLY FAMILY IN EGYPT

With Fr. Lazzaro Eissa

April 22 – May 4, 2025 – 13days/11 nights



TOUR ITINERARY:

Day 1 - April 22 – Tuesday - Departure from Toronto (*International flights included with Air & Land package*).

Board your international flight from Toronto, Canada on EgyptAir flight MS966 at 12:45pm to start your Journey towards Egypt!

Day 2 – Apr 23 – Wednesday - Arrival at Cairo airport / Pyramids & Sphinx of Giza.

Upon arrival at Cairo airport at 05:10am, you will be met by our representative who will assist you with the visa and escort you through customs.

Today, you will visit the Pyramids, which have captured the eyes of Mary, Joseph and Fr. Abraham before them.
After Lunch, we will go to our hotel for Check in.

First Evening Mass at the Hotel or nearby church.

Overnight: Cairo. – Pyramids Hotel

(Meals: L)

Day 3 - Apr 24 – Thursday - Old Cairo – Coptic Museum.

After breakfast, we will Visit Old Cairo churches, a Jewish Synagogue (if it is open), also we will visit the Coptic Museum which houses an impressive collection of Frescos, Icons, Manuscripts and Alter equipment.

Mass at a Catholic church.

Overnight: Cairo Pyramids Hotel

(Meals: B, L)

Day 4 – Apr 25 – Friday – Wadi Natrun Monasteries - Cairo

After breakfast, we will visit the Monasteries of Wadi Natron which are considered very important Holy Family site. From hundreds of monasteries, there are only 4 remaining from the 4th century.

Return to Cairo and overnight.

There is a place for Mass Service. At St. Makarios Monastery

Overnight: Cairo – Pyramids Hotel

(Meals: B, L)

Day 5 - Apr 26 – Saturday - The cave churches of St. Simon- Virgin Mary Tree- Apparition Church.

After breakfast at our hotel, we will visit the cave church of St. Simon and learn about the Ministry of the church. We will learn about the Recycle system in this area, which is brilliant.

Possible visit to Mother Theresa house of Charity run by Catholic Sisters.

After lunch, we will visit the Mattareya area where there is the famous tree that the Holy Family rested under.

Later, we will visit the Virgin Mary Church of the Apparition at Zeitoun.

Mass Service at St. Simon cave church

Overnight: Cairo Pyramids Hotel.

(Meals: B, L)

Day 6 - Apr 27 – Sunday - The Egyptian Museum.

After breakfast, we will visit the Egyptian Museum in Tahrir Square. The Egyptian Museum houses the whole collection of the Golden King Tutankhamun and other colossal statues for Kings mentioned in the Bible.

We can have Mass at one local church.

Overnight: Cairo Pyramids Hotel.

(Meals: B, L)

Day 7- Apr 28 – Monday - Follow Jesus to Upper Egypt, Gabal El Tair

After breakfast, we will check out of our hotel.

We will drive to Al Minia (4-5 hours) to visit Gabal El Tair (mountain of Birds) where there is a church built on the site of the Holy Family. The church was built by Empress Helen on the edge of the eastern cliff and has a commanding view of the Nile Valley and River.

Overnight: Al Minia - Holy Family Hotel

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 8 - Apr 29 - Tuesday- Al Muharraq Monastery, the last Stop for the Holy Family

After breakfast, we will drive to Assiut to visit the Monastery of al Muharraq where there is an Altar built by the Hands of Jesus.

Morning Mass at the Hotel

Afternoon: Possible visit to Monastery of Dronka. Later, drive back to our hotel.

Overnight: El Minia – Holy Family Hotel

(Meals: B, D)

Day 9 - Apr 30 – Wednesday - Hurghada – Free

Early Morning, we will drive to Hurghada.

Arrive for Check in & lunch. Free afternoon by the hotel beach swimming or snorkeling.

Overnight: Hurghada – Golden Beach Resort

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 10 – May 1- Thursday - Free day or Optional Full day trip on a Yacht for a swim, snorkel, or dive in the Red Sea.

After a lazy breakfast, enjoy a free day by the Pool or the Beach or transfer to the Marina for an optional full-day trip on board a nice Yacht. Enjoy a full day of swimming, snorkeling, or diving, plus spending time on Orange Island in the Red Sea, with lunch, drinks, and all snorkel equipment.

Overnight: Hurghada- Golden Beach Resort.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 11 - May 2- Friday- Free day in Hurghada

Free day at Leisure.

Overnight: Hurghada – Golden Beach Resort.

(Meals: B, L, D)

Day 12 - May 3- Saturday - Hurghada/Cairo

After breakfast, we will be transferred to Hurghada airport for an early flight to Cairo at 8:00 AM.

Upon arrival, we will meet our tour guide and will be transferred to visit the National civilization museum & Khan El Khalili marketplace.

Lunch at Azhar Park.

Overnight: Le passage Hotel Airport.

(Meals: B, L)

Day 13 - May 4 – Sunday – departure

Fly Home early morning.

You will be transferred to Cairo airport to board your international flight back home on EGYPTAIR flight MS995 at 02:55 AM arriving Toronto at 07:25am.

End of Tour.

Cost (in Canadian Dollar)
Air & Land

- \$ CAD 4545.00 Per person sharing a double /twin room.
- \$ CAD 850 a Single room supplement.

Land only (Does not include international flights from/to Toronto)

- \$ CAD 2780.00 Per person sharing a double /twin room.
- \$ CAD 850.00 a Single room supplement.

ESCORTED PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Roundtrip airline ticket on EgyptAir from Toronto, including all taxes & Fuel surcharges (For Air & Land option)
- Meet & greet at Cairo airport & Egypt Visa Entry.
- Roundtrip transfers within Egypt by Private A/C Motor Coach including handling & portorage
- Flights: (Hurghada / Cairo) including airline taxes & fuel surcharges
- 5 nights Cairo – [Cairo Pyramids Hotel](#) based on bed & breakfast
- 2 nights Minya – [Holy Family Hotel](#) based on half board (Breakfast & Dinner)
- 3 nights Hurghada – [Hurghada Golden Beach resort](#) based on All Inclusive
- 1 night Cairo - [Le Passage Airport Hotel](#) based on bed & breakfast
- 24 Meals: 11 breakfasts, 8 lunches, 5 Dinners
- Sightseeing per itinerary in a modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Service of English-speaking Egyptologist/tour manager all throughout
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- All Hotel fees & service charges

TOUR EXCLUDES

- International flights for Land only package
- Travel insurance (recommended).
- Tips & gratuities for guide, driver, and hotel personnel. \$ CAD 210 is recommended to be paid to the tour organizer.
- Personal expenses.