The Holy Land Study Tour is designed to immerse you in scripture in order to bring the Bible alive for the benefit of your ministry and your own personal devotional life. The next Study Tour will take place in January 2016 and will include:

Approximately 14 day tour exploring Biblically significant sites which will be the centre piece of a 9cp History subject. Sites include: The Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Mount Carmel and Caesarea.

Opportunity for family members to accompany students.

The following price is subject to change and is based on minimum travel numbers and exchange rates.

Subject Fee:
$8,950 for undergrad students
$9,250 for postgrad students

This Subject Fee can be deferred on Fee-Help except for the $2950 travel cost component. Cost for Non-students is $7,250 For more details on pricing please see pricing section of this Information Pack.

For more information, or to register your expression of interest please contact us:
Email / info@acom.edu.au
Phone / 1800 672 692
Download information / www.acom.edu.au
Closing Date for Applications / 5th June 2015

Spaces are limited!
Note: This is a draft itinerary that is subject to change.

SATURDAY 09 JANUARY
_ DEPART AUSTRALIA
Flights from either Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth or Adelaide on Saturday evening.

SUNDAY 10 JANUARY
_ AMMAN /MT NEBO /MADABA
We arrive in Amman, Jordan and start our guided biblical sojourn prophetically at Mt Nebo where Moses first viewed the Promised Land. Supplement that view with a Byzantium map of the Holy Land on colourful mosaic in Madaba, before driving to the land of the Edomites - Petra.
Overnight in Petra
HOTEL / Petra Moon, Petra
MEALS / Dinner

MONDAY 11 JANUARY
_ PETRA
Wake up to a time possibly as early as 5th Century BC in imposing UNESCO World Heritage listed Petra, or in Hebrew Sela, meaning “rock”. After an insightful guided tour in the morning, you will have the rest of the day to explore in depth. Walk down the dramatic Siq or gorge, snap your own postcard picture of the iconic Treasury, hike the ancient processional route to the Al Dier and glimpse the tomb of Moses brother Aaron.
Overnight in Petra
HOTEL / Petra Moon, Petra
MEALS / Breakfast, Dinner
TUESDAY 12 JANUARY
_ WADI RUM/ ELIAT
A morning of adventure in the sand dunes of UNESCO World Heritage listed Wadi Rum desert in a jeep and optional camel rides before crossing the border into Israel at Arava, just north of the popular resort city of Eliat. The rest of the day is free for you to experience this city along the Red Sea where King Solomon used as a port to build his fleet of ships.

Overnight in Eliat
HOTEL / Magic Palace Hotel, Eliat
MEALS / Breakfast, Dinner

WEDNESDAY 13 JANUARY
_ TIMNA/ BEDOUIN HOSPITALITY
Today we travel into the wilderness of Timna Park, to a faithful replica of the Tabernacle God directed Moses to build. There is time to spend some time alone to mediate in this special place. After lunch we drive to your tented Bedouin abode in the desert. Curl up around the warm fire as your hosts perform the ancient coffee making ceremony. Camels await to take you on a trek. In the evening dine on a lavish feast served on a Sania before drifting off to sleep in the silence of the desert night under the blanket of stars.

Overnight in desert, Arad
ACCOMMODATION / Kfar Hanokdim, Arad
MEALS / Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

THURSDAY 14 JANUARY
_ BE’ER SHEBA/ CAESAREA/ MOUNT CARMEL/ MUHRAQA
We start the day visiting sites in Be’er Sheba or Beersheba, a location mentioned where Abraham, the father of Jews, made a covenant of peace with Abimelech and established a place to live for himself and his descendants. We then move on to Caesarea before visiting an Anzac memorial on the way to the beautiful Mount Carmel and Muhraqa, where a statue marks Elijah’s victory over the prophets of Baal. Tiberias, where Jesus appeared to His disciples after resurrection, is where we will be based for the next 3 nights.

Overnight in Tiberias
HOTEL / Ginosar Hotel, Tiberias
MEALS / Breakfast, Dinner
FRIDAY 15 JANUARY
  _ NAZARETH/ NAZARETH VILLAGE/ CANA/ TIBERIAS

A significant day drawing ever closer in understanding of Jesus as we retrace His life, beginning the day in Nazareth village, a re-creation of the village where Jesus grew up in. We then progress to Cana, where He performed his first miracle at the wedding feast.

Overnight in Tiberias

HOTEL / Ginosar Hotel, Tiberias
MEALS / Breakfast, Dinner

SATURDAY 16 JANUARY
  _ SEA OF GALILEE

Another special day as we witness the key sites to Jesus’ ministry. We start the morning with an enjoyable boat ride on the Sea of Galilee & afterwards visit the Boat Museum to see the Jesus boat - a fishing boat dating back to the 1st century AD. Fish is the main course for lunch, just like Peter would have had. Landmark sites we then visit are Mount Tabor, commonly believed to be where Jesus’ transfiguration took place, Tabgha, Mount of Beatitudes, where Jesus is said to have delivered His sermon on the Mount and Capernaum, the home base of Jesus’ ministry and original residences of some of the apostles.

Overnight in Tiberias

HOTEL / Ginosar Hotel, Tiberias
MEALS / Breakfast, Fish Lunch, Dinner

SUNDAY 17 JANUARY
  _ QUASAR EL YAHUD/ JERICHO/ QUMRAN

Keep a set of dry clothes handy if you would like to be baptised this morning at Quasar El Yahud - the baptismal site on the Jordan River, where it is believed that Jesus was baptised by John the Baptist. We then explore Jericho, including a cable car ride to witness the massive archaeological site and findings of which matches biblical accounts of what God did to the city. A visit to Qumran – where the dead sea scrolls were uncovered - marks the end of the day before we arrive at our coastal hotel right by the Dead Sea, where we will stay for the next 2 nights.

Overnight in Dead Sea hotel

HOTEL / Daniel Hotel, Dead Sea
MEALS / Breakfast, Dinner
MONDAY 18 JANUARY
_ MASADA/ DEAD SEA

Just before the sun begins to gleam over the land, we will walk up the winding snake path or ride the cable car to the top of Masada, Herod’s stark ancient fortress. This UNESCO World Heritage site, towers nearly 4000 metres over the Dead Sea and is an imposing sight to behold. From this UNESCO World Heritage heavyweight, we dive into an afternoon of leisure, floating in the healing waters of the Dead Sea, also known in the bible as the “Sea of Salt”.

HOTEL / Daniel Hotel, Dead Sea
MEALS / Breakfast, Dinner

TUESDAY 19 JANUARY
_ BETHLEHEM/ BIBLE COLLEGE

A beautiful start to the day as we cross into Palestine, to Bethlehem, birthplace of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. We spend time soaking in the Church of the Nativity and then head to the Shepherd’s Field, the fields where the shepherds would have most likely seen the Star of David. In the afternoon we experience a lecture on ‘Reading the Old Testament in Palestine’ at the Bethlehem Bible College. Finally we retire in the city close to God’s heart – Jerusalem, immersing in this holy city for the next 5 nights.

Overnight in Jerusalem

PLEASE ENSURE YOU BRING YOUR PASSPORT WITH YOU TO ENTER BETHLEHEM.

ACCOMMODATION / Prima Kings Hotel, Jerusalem
MEALS / Breakfast, Dinner

WEDNESDAY 20 JANUARY
_ JERUSALEM

An early start for a full day of exploring the old city of Jerusalem, built by the Messiah’s ancestor, King David. We experience the Temple Mount, City of David and Hezekiah’s Tunnel, the Last Supper Room, and Mount Zion, including St. Peter Gallicantu Church, and King David’s tomb.

Overnight in Jerusalem

HOTEL / Prima Kings Hotel, Jerusalem
MEALS / Breakfast, Dinner
THURSDAY 21 JANUARY  
_ JERUSALEM _

Today we re-trace Jesus’s crucifixion and resurrection starting with the Mount of Olives and Church of Pater Noster, then down the path on Palm Sunday Road, on foot to the Garden of Gethsemane, finally emerging from the Garden Tomb. Back in the Old City, envision Christ’s suffering and persecution as you walk down via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the alleged site of Christ’s crucifixion. As the day draws to a close, take a moment to meditate and pray at the Western Wall, also known as the Wailing Wall and descend into the Western Wall tunnels.

Overnight in Jerusalem
HOTEL / Prima Kings Hotel, Jerusalem
MEALS / Breakfast, Dinner

FRIDAY 22 JANUARY  
_ JERUSALEM _

It's Sabbath and we observe the Lord’s day as Jews do with rest and rejoicing. Our guide and driver takes a rest today as well. Enjoy a free day to explore Jerusalem at leisure. Just before dusk, we will gather at the Western Wall to witness the Jews gather for Shabbat. This truly unique experience will be followed by a traditional home-made Sabbath dinner in a family setting.

Overnight in Jerusalem
HOTEL / Prima Kings Hotel, Jerusalem
MEALS / Breakfast, Dinner

SATURDAY 23 JANUARY  
_ ISRAEL MUSEUM/ YAD VESHEM/ JERUSALEM _

On our final day we will learn a little bit of modern history this morning as we visit the moving Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial. We then compare modern Jerusalem with a scale model of 1st Century Jerusalem in the Israel Museum. We also see the Dead Sea scrolls in the Shrine of the Book, visit some churches in Jerusalem and also the Jewish quarters within the Old City if time permits.

Overnight in Jerusalem
HOTEL / Prima Kings Hotel, Jerusalem
MEALS / Breakfast, Dinner
SUNDAY 24 JANUARY
_ AMMAN AIRPORT

Today our wonderful journey concludes. After breakfast we bid the Promised Land farewell as we drive along the Desert Highway crossing the border crossing before 01.30pm into Jordan and towards Amman Airport for your late afternoon flight from Amman back to Australia via Dubai.

Overnight inflight

MEALS / Breakfast, Dinner in flight

MONDAY 25 JANUARY
_ DUBAI-AUSTRALIA/ ARRIVE IN AUSTRALIA

Flight from Dubai to Australia.
Arrive into Australia Sunday evening or early Monday morning depending upon arrival city.
APPRAOCH PRICE

The following price is subject to change and is based on minimum travel numbers and exchange rates.

Subject Fee:

$8,950* for undergrad students

$9,250* for postgrad students

$7,250 for non-students

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INCLUSIONS (Subject to change)

- Subject fees for students
- Return economy class airfares flying Emirates from Sydney, Brisbane or Perth to Amman
- Airlines taxes, fuel charges (as at 13 Jan 2015) & subject to change
- 14 nights’ accommodation as per the listed hotels
- Meet and assist (air side) at Amman airport on arrival & departure
- Transport in modern air conditioned coaches
- Porterage at airports and hotels
- Private English speaking guide on all touring days
- Entrance fees to all sites mentioned in the itinerary
- Horse ride in Petra
- 2 hours Jeep tour in Wadi Rum by the open Bedouin Jeeps
- Daily breakfast, and dinner
- Lunch at Sea of Galilee
- Lunch in Timna
- Visa into Jordan (Australian passports)
- Departure tax from Israel
- Headsets
- Tips and gratuities for drivers and guides

NOT INCLUDED

- Travel insurance
- Drinks
- Carriages in Petra
- Tips for porters, additional staff/waiters
- Camel ride in Kfar Hanokdim (Optional)
- Lunches unless specified in itinerary
- Personal expenses – internet, laundry, personal purchases
- Any other items not specified
WHEN ARE PAYMENTS DUE?

All prices are per person Twin Share. For single room please add single supplement of $1,475.

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OTHER TOURS COMING UP

In 2017 the following Tours are planned:
Holy Land Tour (Israel & Jordan) 2017

WHAT ARE THE CURRENT DATES OF THE TOUR?

The tour commences on Saturday the 9th January 2016 and we return on the Monday the 25th January. (Or early Tuesday 26th depending on city of departure).

WHO CAN JOIN THE STUDY TOURS?

The Study Tour program exists to provide our students and others with a unique learning opportunity.

ACOM STUDENTS
Students in any of our Higher Education awards (Diploma, Assoc. Degree, Bachelor, Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma & Masters) can choose the Study Tour as one of their elective subjects assuming it fits their academic program. Students will need to speak to their Learning Support Manager (LSM) to confirm their Course Plan prior to acceptance on this Tour.

PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS
We understand that this Study Tour may be the impetus some prospective students need to start their studies with ACOM. Prospective students need to have submitted a complete Admission Application by the 5th June 2015, but we strongly encourage a conversation with our Learning Support staff prior to admission application. Please call 1800 672 692.
Admission forms can be found at www.acom.edu.au.

SPOUSE / FRIENDS / FAMILY MEMBERS
We understand that many students may want to bring along family members or friends and so we welcome non-students to participate if spaces are available. Please see non student costs.
FAQ

WHAT ARE THE CANCELLATION COSTS?
If a participant pulls out of the Study Tour the following cancellation costs are incurred:
The $500 deposit per person is non refundable.
Cancellation inside 90-45 days prior to travel attracts a 50% cancellation fee.
Cancellation inside 45 days prior to travel all arrangements are non-refundable.
It is therefore imperative that each traveller has travel insurance in place at the time of full payment so that they are insured for unforeseen cancellation.

If, under the advice of the Australian Federal Government, ACOM chooses to cancel the tour due to unrest in the region, all money will be refunded to students.

WHAT IS COVERED BY FEE-HELP?
Eligible students have the option of deferring tour costs and the associated ACOM subject fee using Fee-Help. All students must cover the cost of travel via a personal contribution of $2,950. This can not be paid via Fee-Help.

Students wishing to utilize Fee-Help for deferring the cost of the Study Tour should speak with their ACOM LSM.
**ARE THERE AGE RESTRICTIONS?**

There are no upper age restrictions for adults on this tour but please note each participant must be:

- In good health with no mobility issues
- Be able to walk over rocky and rugged terrain for sustained periods of time (all day in some instances).

Children under 12 are not permitted on the tour. Applications can be made for children 12 years and over to be included on this tour as part of a family unit but ACOM reserves the right to deny this request if they feel the overall student experience will be compromised. This will be determined on a case by case basis.

Prices for children are available in request based on family unit they are travelling with.

**WHAT ARE THE ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS OF THIS STUDY TOUR?**

The Study Tour is the core component of H7396/H9695 Issues in Church History.

The subject will involve:

- Pre-reading & assessments (including some pre-departure due dates)
- Reflection journals
- Academic work

Subject Information Books will be available closer to the Study Tour.
**WHO IS LEADING THE TOUR?**

ACOM Staff member Edwina Blair will lead this Tour in conjunction with experienced and accredited Local Guides. Our guides will lead us each day through the various sites we will visit and share with us their wealth of local and historical knowledge. Edwina, who is also a Minister within NSW Churches of Christ, has been to the Holy Land a number of times and will lead times of worship, reflection and discussion and ensure the Tour is spiritually significant for all our participants.

**SHOULD I BE CONCERNED ABOUT MY SAFETY IN THE MIDDLE EAST?**

There are often reports in the media about unrest in the Middle East. Our Tour Operators and Travel Agent are constantly monitoring the situation and will be informed if security fears are heightened. Please be aware that main-stream media reports are not always the best source of information about what is taking place and therefore we are in regular contact with people on the ground in Jordan and Israel.

All Study Tour participants are encouraged to register for Travel Warnings on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) website and must register their travel plans on the Smart Traveller website.

There are many Australian groups constantly travelling in the Middle East without incident. Obviously ACOM will be doing everything we can to ensure the safety of our participants.

**WHO IS ORGANISING ALL OUR TRAVEL NEEDS?**

We are using a trusted organisation called Mission Travel. They are a full service travel agent who specialise in mission trips and study tours. Mission Travel is owned and operating by Christians and our ACOM Tour leader has worked with them extensively.

Mission Travel can be contacted through their website: www.missiontravel.com.au
CAN I TRAVEL TO OTHER PLACES BEFORE OR AFTER THE STUDY TOUR?

Our group has a significant discount on our flights to Jordan and therefore the entire team must arrive in together after leaving from one of the designated capital cities. This group discount therefore prohibits any travel prior to the commencement of the Study Tour.

There is however the opportunity for participants to stay in the Middle East or travel onto other locations after the Tour has finished. This can be organised on an individual basis with Mission Travel. This will incur a $150 fee on top of any extra flight and travel costs and this extra portion of your trip can not be added to any Fee-Help debt. For more information please contact Mission Travel and inform them that you are part of the “ACOM Study Tour Jan 2016” group.

WHY ARE WE ARRIVING AND DEPARTING FROM JORDAN RATHER THAN ISRAEL?

Israel has a high level of security and therefore entry and exit into the country can be unpredictable. The advice we have been given is that entry into Israel is easier via land from Jordan and it provides an opportunity to experience sites in Jordan and widen our perspective of the Middle East.

CAN I HAVE A ROOM TO MYSELF?

The standard booking will be twin share and participants have the opportunity to nominate a person they would like to share with on the application form. If no one is nominated then ACOM staff will match participants by gender and age.

A “single supplement” can be paid to ensure a private room for the entire tour. The price for this is approximately $1475 on top of the standard tour price. This can not be covered by Fee-Help.
DO I NEED TRAVEL INSURANCE?
Travel insurance is mandatory for the Study Tour and proof of insurance must be provided prior to travel. We highly recommend you purchase the highest level of cover possible. Participants can arrange their own cover (evidence of this will be required prior to departure) or you can elect to be included in the discounted group Travel Insurance deal arranged for us by Mission Travel. More information will be included in the Application Form.

WHAT IMPORTANT PASSPORT INFORMATION DO I NEED TO KNOW?
All participants must have at least 6 months left on their passport (must not expire before August 2016 and have at least 2 blank pages).
If participants have non-Australian Passports then please contact us immediately as Visa’s can be difficult to obtain for certain nationalities.
If you do not have a current passport please make arrangements to apply for one as soon as possible as passport details are required early in the planning process.

PRE-DEPARTURE MEETING
In November 2015, there will be a pre-departure meeting where you will receive a full briefing of the itinerary and the entire tour. You will also receive your travel wallets with e-tickets, and other relevant information. Dates and locations of these meeting will be determined based on location of Study Tour participants.

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO NOW?
1. Ensure the Holy Land Tour fits into your Course Plan
2. Complete the attached Application Form and send in with your deposit to secure your place on the Tour
3. Arrange Annual Leave for the dates given
4. Ensure your Passport will not expire within 6 months of our travel date and apply for one if it will expire or you don’t have a passport.
   If you have a non-Australian Passport, please contact us immediately.

For any queries or to indicate your interest please email us at: info@acom.edu.au or call 1800 672 692

Spaces are strictly limited and only a completed Application Form with deposits can guarantee you place on this tour.
Applications close on 5th June 2015.
Please note:

- A deposit of $500 is required with the submission of this application form. This can either be in the form of cash, cheque, credit card or bank transfer.
- All Application Forms are confidential and all information will be used for the sole purpose of administrating the Study Tour Program.
- Please complete one application form per person.
- Please ensure that you have completed and signed all relevant pages.
- Travel Insurance Documents can be completed and submitted at a later date.
- Please attach a Passport type photo to this application or email one to info@acom.edu.au. This does not need to be actual passport photo and will be used in an "Introduction to the Team" booklet. (So be happy with it!).
- Please attach a photocopy of your passport to this application.
- Applications can be made for children to be included on this tour as part of a family unit but ACOM reserves the right to deny this request if they feel the student experience will be compromised. This will be determined on a case by case basis. No children under the age of 12 will be permitted.
- Parents / guardians must complete individual application form for each accompanying child.
- Applicant is not required to submit online Unit Registration form as this is included in this application.

Successful applicants will be notified once approved by Tour Leader. This may require the approval of the ACOM Registrar and Learning Support Manager where appropriate.
PERSONAL DETAILS

Full Name (exactly as it appears on your Passport):
_____________________________________________________________________________________

Gender:  □ Male  □ Female

Date of Birth: ______________________________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________

City of Departure (Please circle one):  Sydney  Melbourne  Brisbane  Perth  Adelaide

Daytime Phone No.: ___________________________

Email address: ________________________________

Citizenship: _________________________________

Do you have a current Passport:  □ Yes  □ No  If NO please arrange one immediately.

Passport Number: _____________________________ (Please attach a photocopy of your passport to this application).

Date Passport Expires: __________________________

Nationality of Passport: _______________________

Emirates Frequent Flyer No: ____________________ (worth signing up for – visit www.skywards.com) - The number can be given to us at a later date.

Seat preference (Not guaranteed)  □ Window  □ Aisle  □ None

Meal requirements on flight: _______________________

Occupation: _________________________________________________________________

Emergency Contact 1 (at home):

Name: ___________________________________________

Relationship: _________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________

Phone: __________________ Email address: __________________

Emergency Contact 2 (at home):

Name: ___________________________________________

Relationship: _________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________

Phone: __________________ Email address: __________________

MEDICAL INFORMATION

Hospital or other health care workers will not have access to your medical records whilst overseas and may need the following information. Information will also assist us in providing you with the necessary forms for Travel Insurance. All information is strictly confidential.

How is your health?  □ Poor  □ Fair  □ Good  □ Excellent

Please list any medications you will be taking and their general purpose:
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Do you have any physical or emotional limitations or restrictions? If so please elaborate.
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Please list any and all other health issues that we may need to be aware of: (Pre existing medical conditions, mental health issues, claustrophobia, fear of heights, allergies, special dietary needs, sleep apnoea machines etc.): ____________________________
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Family Doctors Name: _____________________________________________________________

Contact details: ________________________________________________________________
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Medicare Number: ____________________________ Expiry: ____________

Private Health Insurance Details: _________________________________________________

Please indicate your intentions with regard to Travel Insurance.

□ I will be purchasing the discounted group travel insurance that will be made available through Mission Travel

□ I will be arranging my own travel insurance and will provide a copy of my Certificate of Insurance prior to departure.
Please indicate if you are planning to extend your travels after the Holy Land Tour is completed;

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Please tick the following that apply to you;

☐ Current Student completing the following Award ___________________________*

☐ Non-Student

☐ Potential student intending to undergo Admission process prior to Study Tour **

*By ticking this box you are agreeing to start the Admission process immediately. For help with this please contact info@acom.edu.au or 1800 672 692 and mention you want commence study with the Holy Land Tour Study Tour.

** By ticking this box you are requesting us to enrol you in the subject attached to this Study Tour

Please indicate if you are planning to extend your travels after the Holy Land Tour is completed;

Please tick the payment method that applies to you;

☐ Upfront payment of fees

☐ Fee-Help Deferred Payment Scheme for unit fee (with a cash payment of $2,950 for travel costs)

What are you hoping to experience in this Study Tour?

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What, if any, are your fears for this trip?

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Is there anyone in particular you would like to share a room with?

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Prior to departure everyone will receive a booklet introducing everyone in the team. This will include the photo you include with your application and the 2-3 sentences you write here about yourself. For example; who are you, where are you from, what do you do, what you want people to know about you etc.

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IMPORTANT: THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY.
PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THE FOLLOWING BEFORE SIGNING

Release of Liability for Australian College of Ministries (ACOM) Rhodes, NSW, including its Board and Staff.

1. Definitions

1.1 “ACOM Study Tour” refers to the period of time between the group of travellers at a departure place appointed by ACOM’s organizers and the return of the travellers to the arrival place appointed by ACOM’s organizers, during which time, travel by air, land and/or water to the Holy Land, accommodation, tours, meals, worship, tours, meetings and other activities of whatsoever kind arranged by ACOM, their Holy Land Tour Operators and other organizations both Christian and secular, may occur.”

1.2 “ACOM” means Australian College of Ministries, 3 Rider Boulevard, Rhodes, NSW 2138”.

1.3 “child” includes a biological or adopted child of mine, a child of which I am the appointed guardian, a dependent child of which I am the sole carer and a person who, though over the age of 18 years, is in my care and lacks adult comprehension, by reason of intellectual impairment, to appreciate the terms of this document. “children” has the plural meaning.

1.4 “the associated persons” means the members of the Board of ACOM, its employees, agents, contractors, volunteers and representatives.

2. I understand that participating in the ACOM Study Tour Program and travel in cooperation with ACOM is a privilege. In consideration for that privilege I am signing this document on behalf of myself and on behalf of any child or children who may accompany me.

3. I hereby grant permission to ACOM to photograph me and my child or children during the ACOM Study Tour and to use these photographs in ACOM audio-visual, website and printed material without compensation or further approval by me.

4. I am aware that there are risks and dangers involved in international travel and Study Tours including but not limited to harm or injury (physical or emotional), or death, due to hijackings, kidnappings, robbery, riots, wars, insurrections, common-carrier accidents, illnesses, terrorism, accidents of any kind, disease, hazardous materials, natural disasters, inadequate medical care, and other unfortunate events. In addition, I understand that there may be other risks involved of which I may not be presently aware. I expressly accept full responsibility for and assume all such risks during the entire course of this trip, whether they are known or unknown to me at this time, for me and for any of my children on the ACOM Study Tour.

5. By signing this document, I expressly accept full responsibility for and hereby release and hold harmless, for myself, and my heirs, family and estate, executors, administrators, assigns, and personal representatives, ACOM and the associated persons and do discharge and waive, any and all claims, demands, losses, damages, and liabilities with respect to any and all property damage, personal injury, and/or death suffered by me during or otherwise arising from my participation, or the participation of any child in the ACOM Study Tour and travel related thereto. (Note: Spouses must sign own release)
6. Further, on behalf of any of my children that may participate in the ACOM Study Tour, I hereby release and hold harmless ACOM and the associated persons and do discharge and waive, any and all claims, demands, losses, damages, and liabilities that any such child may have or sustain with respect to all property damage, personal injury, and/or death suffered by any of my children during or otherwise arising from their participation in the ACOM Study Tour and travel related thereto.

7. This release of liability shall include (without limitation) any claims that I and any child or other members of my family, may have against ACOM and the associated persons including claims for their negligent acts or omissions, and excepting any claims to the extent required under applicable law.

8. I further agree to indemnify, save and hold harmless ACOM and the associated persons from any and all claims, demands, losses, damages and liabilities for indemnity, contribution or otherwise with respect to any and all property damage, personal injury and/or death arising from or during my or my children’s participation in the ACOM Study Tour as may be asserted by a third party (defined as a person other than ACOM and the associated persons and me, but including any person as a representative or next friend of any child of mine on the ACOM Study Tour or any such child as a claimant in his or her or their own right), except to the extent prohibited by applicable law.

9. I understand that it is my responsibility to contact the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) and enquire which, if any, vaccinations are recommended for the country/countries that I will visit while on this trip. Once I obtain this information, it is my choice to either take or not take the vaccination(s) and to have those of my children on the ACOM Study Tour take such vaccination(s). I take full responsibility for these matters, and for any diseases I or my minor children may contract by failing to follow the DFAT recommendations, or for any adverse reactions to vaccines taken by following said recommendations.

In the event that a specific vaccination is required by law to either enter the country/countries that will be visited while on this trip, or to re-enter my home country at the conclusion of the trip, it is my responsibility to obtain the proper vaccination(s) and to carry on my person a proper certificate of vaccination for me and my child or children. If I fail to obtain the required vaccination(s) or if I lose the vaccination certificate(s), I am solely responsible for the disruption of travel and any resulting inconveniences, financial or otherwise.

At the time of print, no vaccinations where required for the countries this Tour will be visiting.

Nothing in this clause shall mitigate or detract from the provisions of clauses 4 to 8 hereof.

10. I acknowledge it is my responsibility to purchase the recommended Travel & Medical insurance cover (at either Premier Plus or A level Travel Plan), details of which are attached to this document.

Should my children on the ACOM Study Tour or I require medical assistance or hospitalisation during any part of this trip, I assume all financial responsibility for hospital fees, surgeries, medication, doctor’s fees, or any other costs related to the medical assistance and hospitalisation. I further authorise ACOM and its accompanying staff and/or the associated persons who are the designated leaders on the ACOM Study Tour to consent to medical treatment on behalf of me and/or my child or children should I be incapacitated or otherwise unable to provide such consent.

11. I agree to follow all payment requirements and schedules for this Study Tour. I agree that I am solely responsible for any loss or damage to my personal property and the personal property of any of my children during the entire course of the trip.

(Note: Each adult family member must sign their own release).

I, the undersigned, attest that all the information I provided in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge; I have thoroughly read and understood all the provisions set out, in particular pages 6 to 8 of this application and agree to them all. I am of or over the age of 18 years and sign this document freely and voluntarily. I understand that the above provisions contain a Release of Liability and an Indemnity against Claims made by or on behalf of any child of mine engaged in the ACOM Study Tour.

Signature: ____________________________________________
Print Name: __________________________________________
Date: ________________________________________________
Witness: ______________________________________________
Print Name: __________________________________________
Date: ________________________________________________

If a minor is accompanying you on this trip, please fill out the next page of this form. If not, leave blank the section below or put an x mark through it.
Consent to Participation of Minor: By my signature below, I understand and agree to the provisions set forth in this document and hereby authorise the participation of each child listed below participating in the ACOM Study Tour and travel.

I represent that I am (delete inapplicable relationships) *the parent of:
*the legal guardian of:
*the sole carer of:

Minor’s Name: _____________________________________________________
Date of Birth: ____________________________________________________

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Date of Birth: ____________________________________________________

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Date of Birth: ____________________________________________________

Who is/are under the age of eighteen (18) or otherwise is a minor in his or her state of residence and who will be travelling with me. In consideration for ACOM allowing the participating of each child in the ACOM Study Tour, I hereby agree to be bound by the terms of the above provisions.

Signature: ________________________________  Signature: ________________________________
Printed Name: ____________________________  Printed Name: ____________________________
Date: ____________________________  Date: ____________________________
Witness: ____________________________  Witness: ____________________________
Date: ____________________________  Date: ____________________________

IF ONLY ONE PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNS THIS FORM, THE FOLLOWING MUST ALSO BE SIGNED:

I hereby certify that this document was signed by only one parent/guardian because:
(delete inapplicable option)

* (i) I am the sole parent/guardian responsible for the care and upbringing of the child due to death or other incapacity of the other parent or because of a court order; or
* (ii) I have made a good faith effort to obtain the signature from the second parent/guardian but have not been able to do so due to reasons beyond my control.

Signature: ________________________________
Dated: ________________________________

Before submitting your application please go through this check list.

- I have completed pages 2 – 4 to the best of my ability.
- I have read fully the Release of Liability on pages 5 - 7.
- I have signed the Release of Liability on page 7 - 8.
- If I am bringing a child / minor on the Study Tour, I have signed page 8.
- I have attached a passport size photo to this application (or emailed photo to info@acom.edu.au) and written my introductory paragraph.
- I have attached a photocopy of my passport to this application.
- I have included my $500 deposit with this application or evidence of bank deposit.
- If I do not have a passport yet I have started the Application process immediately.
- If I am not yet a student but intend to be start my studies with this subject, then I have started the Admission process.

Deposits:

Deposit of $500 is a holding deposit for Group flight booking. Payment can be made by cash, cheque, credit card or internet bank transfer and must be made before 5th June 2015.

- Cheques should be made out to Australian College of Ministries
- Credit cards accepted are Visa and MasterCard and can be made on the ACOM website at www.acom.edu.au/payments
- Bank details are ACOM General Fund
  BSB 082-167
  Acc 509243953
- Please attach print out of internet transfer or credit card payment, and indicate Name and “Study Tour” on memo line if possible.

Return to:
ACOM Study Tour
Attention: Edwina Blair
ACOM
PO Box 3694, Rhodes NSW 2138

Or by
Fax: 02 8719 2604
Email: info@acom.edu.au
Administration Checklist

☐ Application has been completed in full
☐ Deposit received. Date: _____________________ Method: _____________________
☐ Photo received
☐ Passport copy received
☐ Passport details current
☐ Passport Expiry checked
☐ Passport nationally checked

Registrar Approval Checklist (if participant is applying for Admission)

☐ Admission in progress
☐ Admission completed. Award: _____________________
☐ Fee- Help status checked. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Learning Support Manager Approval Checklist (if participant is a current student)

☐ Course Plan has been reviewed
☐ Holy Land Tour will fit into Course Plan

Tour Leader Approval Checklist

☐ Approval given by Registrar
☐ Approval given by Learning Support Manager
☐ Medical and Personal Information reviewed
☐ Travel insurance plans noted
☐ Further travel plans noted

Application Approved: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Date: _____________________

By: _____________________

Participant Notified by: ______________________________________________

Date of Notification: _____________________