**REV. GREG HACKETT** 

On my fifth trip to the Holy Land, I was looking for a different perspective, or approach, than on previous trips. Of course, any trip to the Holy Land must include the "have-to-go" sites, but I was hoping to get a feel for the people and the culture of the land.

With Good Shepherd Travel, I immediately discovered the right travel coordinator – I was made a part of the Good Shepherd family - -from the arrangements in the United States – all the way to Israel and throughout the tour. I was repeatedly approached by family members of Good Shepherd - - Tony, Rami, Shabaz - earnestly seeking to make our trip the best one ever. And it certainly was!

Hospitality, integrity, accuracy of the guide presentations, location choice and arrangements, taste of the culture and people of the land, all aspects of the trip were handled personally and with utmost care. Even when we had a travel glitch coming back (a cancelled flight in Frankfort) Good Shepherd worked with us to rebook flights and make it home together.

In my experience, this was by far the most authentic, informative Holy Land tour in which I have participated. I've never been disappointed by any Holy Land tour, but Good Shepherd Travel stood head and shoulders above in providing the total experience that I was seeking.

I will certainly use Good Shepherd Travel for my next pilgrimage, and highly recommend them for you!

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