

POST CONFERENCE TOUR • Tribal Ethiopia • (\$2,098)

Thursday, November 12 - ADDIS ABABA
– Guests taking the post conference trip to Omo Valley will stay overnight in Addis Ababa.
Friday, November 13 - ADDIS ABABA-ARBA MINCH – Drive south to Arba Minch via the Hosanna Badajir Road, stopping for a sightseeing tour of the UNESCO World Heritage site Trija. After lunch, drive through the Wobeyta farmlands, with views of the lush green hills and valleys. Arrive late in the afternoon at Arba Minch, which translates 'Troy' Springs from the Amharic language. (B, L, D)

Saturday, November 14 - ARBA MINCH-JINKA – Visit the colorful villages of the Koro tribe. An ancient Cushite people who follow traditional ways. They erect intricate structures over the graves of their dead warriors, surrounding them with smaller statues representing the warriors' wives and enemies. The cornerstone of Koro culture is a highly specialized and successful agricultural economy that, through tending, buttressed with stone, enable these people to extract a productive living. Time to mingle with the people, take photographs and learn firsthand about a culture virtually unclouded by the outside world for centuries. Next we visit the An Village enclosure where we learn and understand how the local people process different foods and alcohol. Later in the afternoon we arrive in Jinka, located at the foot of Mago National Park. (B, L, D)

Thursday, November 12 - ADDIS ABABA/CAIRO – Board our flight to Cairo. Welcome to Cairo. Transfer to the hotels for our stay for three nights. (B, D)

Friday, November 13 - CAIRO/EGYPTIAN MUSEUM – After breakfast we start our tour with a visit to the Egyptian Museum to see the largest artifact collection from pharaonic times, including the unparalleled treasures of the tomb of Tutankhamun - the 'Boy King.' Your Egyptologist shows you the gold mask, toys, jewelry and throne, all found in the pharaoh's tomb across the Nile from Luxor. Lunch is out on the town. Then visit the Old City of Cairo, including the Mohammed Ali Mosque in the Citadel. Enjoy a walk through the bazaar of Khan el Ksali, where stalls and shops overflow with jewelry, copper, brass, carpets and spices. Finish your day with a special reception and a presentation by an Egyptian archaeologist. (B, D)

Saturday, November 14 - GIZA PYRAMIDS/SPHINX/SAQAARA – We will drive to Memphis, once the capital of Egypt, then proceed to Giza. Experience one of the oldest forms of transportation - a camelback ride - to the base of the Giza Pyramids. Examine Cheops's Great

Sunday, November 15 - JINKA-TURMI – This morning we drive to a Mursi tribal village. The tribe is renowned for the now-uncommon custom of their women, upon reaching maturity, having their lower lip slit and circular clay discs inserted. The tribes are Hamar, Bena and Ismail. The people are very colorful with the styles of dress, elaborate hair designs and ornate body decorations for each of the different tribes. (B, L, D)

Monday, November 16 - TURMI – Turmi is our new base as we explore the region and meet the different tribes who share this valley but live a life uniquely their own. We drive to the Murille area which lies on the banks of the Omo River. The two main tribes who live here are the Koro and the Hamar, both of whom practice scarification and wear elaborate hairstyles. The Koro are experts in body painting, using clays and locally available vegetable pigments to draw intricate patterns on their faces, chests, arms and legs. Koro men also sculpt and shave their hair into extravagant shapes, with special 'cups' of hair usually containing several ostrich feathers. Late afternoon we visit one of the villages of the Hamar people. The Hamars are also considered the masters of body decoration. (B, L, D)

Tuesday, November 17 - TURMI-ARBA MINCH – On the return drive to Arba Minch we visit the Abore tribe who are known for herding cattle and depend on plant cultivation for food.

They provide cereal grains for neighboring tribes through trading partnerships. They are considered pastoralists and have their own unique physical appearance with the women covering their heads with black cloth and known to wear very colorful necklaces and earrings. Body paints, made from soil and stone, are used to decorate themselves with natural colors. Traditional dancing is practiced and wealth is measured by the number of cattle a tribesman owns. (B, L, D)

Wednesday, November 18 - ARBA MINCH – Board our 4-passenger vehicle for a drive to the village of the Dorze tribe. Walk amongst the Dorze people who are expert weavers and appreciate their beehive-shaped homes. They are also expert farmers and we will witness their ingenious tending technique, which allows them to farm efficiently along the mountainside while preventing soil erosion. After lunch, enjoy a refreshing boat trip on Lake Chamo, home to huge crocodiles, hippos and a variety of bird life. (B, L, D)

Thursday, November 19 - ARBA MINCH-ADDISABABA – This morning we drive to Addis Ababa, and visit the beautiful villages of Ababa and Wolayta. We stop at Lake Ziway to view the colorful birds. On arrival in Addis Ababa we enjoy a light dinner and then transfer to the airport for our flight home. (B, L, D)

Friday, November 20 – Today we arrive at Washington DC - Dulles airport.

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Pyramid, which is 4,500 years old and covers acres its base. The famous Giza plateau also includes Chephren and Mycerinus Pyramids and the Sphinx, protector of the pharaohs. A visit is included to the fascinating Solar Boat Museum, meant to transport the pharaoh to the afterlife. Next, you tour Memphis, once the capital of ancient Egypt, and the necropolis at Saqqara to see Djoser's Step Pyramid, the oldest freestanding stone structure in the world. (B, D)

Sunday, November 15 - CAIRO/LUXOR – We transfer to the airport for our flight to the upper Nile Valley to Luxor, known as Thebes in pharaonic times. Visit the Karnak Temple complex, built by generations of pharaohs and covering 60 acres, then follow the partially buried two-mile Avenue of the Ram-headed Sphinxes to Luxor Temple, which was well-preserved by its cover of desert sand until its discovery in the 19th century. We will visit the Luxor Museum where, among the most striking items on show, are grave goods from the tomb of Tutankhamun. (B, D)

Monday, November 16 - LUXOR/VALLEYS OF THE KINGS AND QUEENS We start the day on the west bank of the Nile with a visit to the tomb of Karakhamun where Professor

Browder is excavating. We will then visit the Valley of the Kings, the famed necropolis where tombs of 64 pharaohs have been found, including that of Tutankhamun, whose treasures were found intact after 3,000 years. You visit the tomb, not normally seen by tourists. See the unique colonnaded temple of Queen Hatshepsut and the Colossus of Memnon before returning to our hotel. (B, D)

Tuesday, November 17 - LUXOR – Today we will drive to two great sites - Dendera where we will visit the Temple of Hathor, and Abydos, home to 'The Cult of Osiris.' Ancient Egyptians made a pilgrimage to Abydos where it was believed the body of Osiris was buried. We then return to Luxor for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Wednesday, November 18 - LUXOR/CAIRO/ADDISWASHINGTON DC – It's time to return home with your life-long memories and treasures from the land of the pharaohs. Transfer to the airport for our flight to Cairo and connecting to Addis Ababa for our late flight to Washington DC. (B)

Thursday, November 19 - USA – We arrive home in the morning.
* (B, L, D) = Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

The Third International Conference on ETHIOPIA AND ITS BIBLICAL, HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL ROOTS

Addis Ababa, Axum & Lalibela • November 4-12, 2015

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WHY ATTEND THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ETHIOPIA AND ITS BIBLICAL, HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL ROOTS?

One should attend the conference for the following reasons:

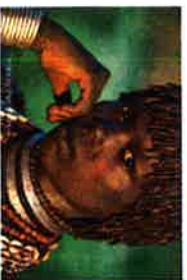
1. To personally experience a place where a wealth of Biblical and cultural history originated.
2. The positive role of African people in world history and culture has been hidden and ignored for hundreds of years; the conference will provide an opportunity to open new doors of knowledge and explore new areas of scholarship.
3. Each Conference Participant will experience a high impact exegesis of the book of Enoch which describes what many believe to be the moving of the Ark of the Covenant from Israel to Ethiopia.
4. Each Conference Participant will be exposed to facts, literature, knowledge and answers to many questions regarding mysteries of our shared past.
5. To explore the early origins of the Nile Valley civilization.
6. Each Conference Participant will leave Africa with an enhanced knowledge of our common heritage of history and culture.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Bible Scholars • Students of African History • Writers of Black Biblical History and Events • Students of Theology • Educators
Historians and Teachers of History • Pastors • College and University Professors and Instructional Staff
Anyone with interest in Ethiopia

POSSIBLE COLLEGE CREDIT FOR THE CONFERENCE

Another incentive might be to award college credit for attending the Conference. According to accreditation standards, particularly in New York, each 15 clock hours of instruction is equivalent to one (1) college credit. Students should check with their schools in advance regarding credits.



PRE CONFERENCE TOUR

Ethiopia of the Old and New Testament • November 1-5, 2015 (\$995)

Sunday, November 1 – USA/ADDIS
ABABA – Depart from Washington, D.C.
Dulles International Airport on board Ethiopian Airlines. Enjoy lunch and dinner on board.
Monday, November 2 – ADDIS ABABA/BAHIR DAR – Arrive in Addis Ababa in the morning. Connect to our flight to Bahir Dar. Time to rest and enjoy dinner and overnight in this historical place. (B, D)
Tuesday, November 3 – BAHIR DAR – Bahir Dar is a pleasant city located on the shores of Lake Tana, the largest lake in Ethiopia. There are 37 islands on Lake Tana and 30 of them have churches and monasteries of considerable historical and cultural interest. Upon arrival in Bahir Dar we check in to our hotel. Then we enjoy a boat cruise on Lake Tana to visit the

13th century Monastery of Ura Kidane Mihret, the most famous of the Zege peninsula monasteries with a very beautiful painted maqdas. Later in the day we embark on a city tour of Bahir Dar, visiting the market, the palace of Emperor Haile Selassie (view point only—entry is not permitted) and the deacon school at Trinity. Dinner and overnight in Bahir Dar. (B, D)
Wednesday, November 4 – BAHIR DAR/ GONDAR – This morning we drive north through the scenic countryside to Gondar. Upon arrival, we check in to our hotel. Gondar served as the capital of the Ethiopian Empire in the 17th century under the reign of Emperor Fasilides. Gondar is referred to as the Camelot of Africa because of the dozen or so castle ruins that remain there, built by various emperors over

the course of approximately 236 years. Visit the royal enclosure containing six castles, a complex network of connecting tunnels, raised walkways and several smaller buildings. Take a tour of the bathing palace of Emperor Fasilides. Later, proceed to the fascinating Debre Birhan Selassie Church with its walls and ceilings decorated with scenes of Biblical lore and medieval history. (B, D)
Thursday, November 5 – GONDAR/ADDIS ABABA – This morning after breakfast we will drive to the airport for our flight to Addis Ababa where we will meet the rest of the Conference participants.
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Wednesday, November 4 – WASHINGTON, DC – Depart from Washington D.C., Dulles International Airport on board Ethiopian Airlines. We enjoy lunch and dinner on board.
Thursday, November 5 – ADDIS ABABA – We Arrive in Addis Ababa in the morning and be met by our representative. Enjoy a panoramic tour of Addis Ababa with a stop at St. George's Cathedral and Museum and at a traditional garment shop. The Ethiopian population is about 85 million; 50% Orthodox Christians, 20% Protestants and Catholics, 30% Muslims and Others. Because of its indigenous character and legacy of the Abyssinian Empire, Ethiopia and its capital have long been a source of pride for the Pan-African movement. The city is home to 3.5 million people, the secretariat of the African Union and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, as well as many UN organizations and NGOs. The city has several parks and museums, with a mix of older buildings such as the railroad station and many contemporary buildings surrounded by mountains. Evening Welcome reception and a light dinner.

Friday, November 6 – ADDIS/LALIBELA – This morning we transfer to the airport for our flight to Lalibela, described as the eighth wonder of the world and considered one of the holiest sites in Ethiopia, for two days of touring and meeting locals. Enjoy greetings by a local dignitary and a light dinner. Dinner and overnight in Lalibela. (B, D)
Saturday, November 7 – LALIBELA – Lalibela is on the UNESCO list of World Heritage sites. We start our exploration with the twelve majestic rock-hewn churches, beginning with the breathtaking Betse Giorgis church, carved in the shape of a cross and set apart from the other church groupings. Included among the other churches there are Betse Medhane Alem, Betse Mariam, Betse Mikael, Betse Dargabel, Betse Golgotha and Betse Mikael. Dinner and overnight in Lalibela. (B, D)

Sunday, November 8 – LALIBELA/AXUM – Transfer to the airport for the flight to Axum. Axum is the primary historical site in the North of Ethiopia. The city tour of Axum includes the Stele Park, St. Mary's Church, the Sanctuary Chapel (which is the repository of the Ark of the Covenant), the Coronation Yard, Queen of Sheba's palace ruins, Axum Museum to view its impressive array of regional crafts - some dating back more than 2,000 years - and the quarry where the steles used to be made. Explore the Archeological Museum with its impressive array of regional artifacts dating back more than 2,000 years. This ancient city was once the center of the Axumite Kingdom with its zenith in the centuries just after the birth of Jesus Christ. Christianity traces its roots in this location to early in the 4th century. Today we will attend a service with our local brothers and sisters. (B, D)

Monday, November 9 – a.m. – After breakfast we transfer to the airport for our flight to Addis. Upon arrival we will transfer to the hotel to check in, rest, have lunch and prepare for the afternoon session.

OPENING OF CONFERENCE, INTRODUCTION OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (FRONT BROWDER) AND SESSIONS

PM Sessions

1. African Biblical Roots of the Old Testament
 2. African Biblical Roots of the New Testament
 3. Ethiopia in the Old and New Testament, History and Prophecy
- After the conference dinner will be served at the hotel.

Tuesday, November 10 – a.m. – After breakfast the entire day will be dedicated to the conference. Breaks will take place appropriately. After the conference dinner will be served at the hotel.

A.M. Session

1. Basic Scriptural Focus on the Patriarchal Ancestries
 2. Ancient Wisdom of the Oremes Lefiorre
 3. The Rise and Work of a Cultural Evangelist
 4. When we were Godless – Roles of Women in Religion
- Lunch on your own

PM Sessions

5. Geographical Influences on the Rasal Appearance of Bible Groups & Individuals
6. The Blue and the White Nile Influences on Ethiopia, Kush and Egypt
7. An Introduction to Ethiopian Languages and culture

Wednesday, November 11 – a.m. – Breakfast Field Trip. Our first stop will be at the Ethnographic Museum within the Addis Ababa University. After the museum, visit the campus, and the classrooms, then meet with some of the faculty. Visit the Mercato for an Ethiopian experience. Visit Mount Entoto for a panoramic view of Addis Ababa, then continue to the National Museum to view some of the most exciting African art and historical artifacts.

Lunch on your own. Conference sessions will resume after lunch.

PM Sessions

1. The Impact of Biblical African Roots on the Church today
 2. Ethiopianism and Pan Africanism – Common Roots
 3. Panel Discussion and Q&As
- Closing ceremony includes a light dinner before transfer to the airport for flight home

Those taking any of the extensions will overnight in Addis Ababa
Thursday, November 12 – ADDIS ABABA/HOME – We arrive in the USA in the morning in time to make our homebound connections. Ethiopia will be with us forever.
The conference schedule will be posted on line with regular updates and any new information.
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