Program DJ19 (based on JJ2016)

November 11 Monday

Arrival and settling in

November 12

Tuesday

Session I

Presentation of the Caspari Center

Session II

Introduction to Contextual Theology

**Excursion I** 

**Modern Mission Movements in Jerusalem** 

A tour focusing on how Jerusalem was shaped by the modern mission

movement of the 19th century.

November 13

Wednesday

The context of the New Testament

**Excursion II** 

The Jerusalem of Jesus

The Temple Mount and the Southern Wall excavations.

Session III

Jesus the Jew

Excursion III

The Western Wall Tunnels

November 14 Thursday

The context of the early church

**Excursion IV** 

The Jerusalem of the Early Church

The Essene Quarter, the Mount Zion and other traces of Christian presence in

Roman and Byzantine Jerusalem.

**Session IV** 

The New Testament Authors as Contextual Theologians

A look at how the New Testament authors adapted their message to the specific historic context they were writing in and the target audience they were writing

for

Session V

The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Century Jewish Believers – Special Focus on the Nazarenes

**November 15 Friday** 

**Excursion V** 

**Bethlehem in the Time of Jesus** 

A tour of Bethlehem, including one of the most ancient Christian Churches, the Church of the Nativity, and a visit to Herodion, with an introduction to the Herodian dynasty that played a central role in shaping the political setting of

first-century Judea.

Session VI

Panel Discussion about the Theology of the Land

Visit to the Prayer at the Western Wall for the start of the Shabbat, followed by a Shabbat meal.

November 16 Saturday

Participation in a Messianic Jewish Shabbat service – Meeting with a Messianic pastor

Session VII Covenant Theology – a Messianic Jewish perspective

Session VIII Jesus the Jew

November 17 Sunday

Session IX Mission as Reconciliation

Reconciliation as a contextual expression of the Christian faith in areas of

political and national conflicts.

Excursion VI A Different Judaism – Qumran

The Essene Community of Qumran as an example of some of the divergent

trends within Judaism in the time of Jesus.

November 18 Monday

The Galilee of Jesus the Jew - Day 1

A journey through the Galilee of Jesus' time, including Capernaum, Tabgha,

Mount of Beatitudes. Excursion with on-site lectures.

**November 19 Tuesday** 

The Galilee of Jesus the Jew - Day 2

A journey through the Galilee of Jesus' time, including Nazareth Village, the Church of the Annunciation, Sepphoris and the Jesus Boat. Excursions with on-

site lectures.

November 20 Wednesday

Session X A Light to the Nations

The "mission" of the Jewish people in the Old Testament and in Jewish

consciousness.

Session XI Introduction to Messianic Judaism

The reemergence of a Jewish expression of faith in Jesus – the history of the

movement and current issues facing it.

Session XII A Case Study: Messianic Judaism – a contextual expression of faith in Jesus? –

Panel discussion by key Messianic leaders looking at different theological and practical approaches to develop an "indigenous" and "authentic" Jewish

expression of faith in Jesus in Israel today.

November 21 Thursday

**Excursion VII** Mount of Olives in End time perspective

**Communion Service in the Garden Tomb** 

Session XIII Contextualization Today

A brief review of the week's studies with a look toward application in the

participants' local context.

Final Session: Evaluation, Fellowship, Worship, and Prayer

November 22 Friday

**Checkout and departure** 

Many sessions will include meetings with local Israelis who live and work among Messianic Jews and Christian Arabs in the Land. The program is still subject to changes.