Experience Ethiopia Tour

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Join us on a journey in the legendary land of Ethiopia, and a "safari" in Kenya!

Starting in Addis Ababa:



Visit this "new flower" founded by Empress Taitu 120 years ago; view the city from Entoto mountain, visit St. Raquel's church; below, see the wide sweeping Menelik II Avenue flanked by the National Palace and Africa Hall designed by Emperor

Haile Selassie I, making Addis "the Capital of Africa"; catch the life pulse of this bustling city of 3-4 million.

Tour Ethiopian Countryside:

Pass through rich agricultural areas and rugged terrain, enjoying scenery reminiscent of Biblical times; visit a few churches on the way; overnight in Nazareth, the home of the first Mennonite missionaries and the birthplace of MKC; visit MKC/MCC Relief and Development projects.

Meet the Meserete Kristos Church (MKC):

Learn of its beginnings by Mennonite missionaries over 60 years ago; visit its Head Office and hear of its remarkable survival and growth under persecution; notice its organization and



ambitious programs; sense the dedication and commitment of its workers; sense the pain of the stewardship constraints under which they labor; visit some of its worship places; meet some of its leaders.

Participate in a 4 day historical tour of Northern Ethiopia by air:

Marvel at the mysterious 2000 year old monolithic stelae in Axum, the tallest of which stood at 107 feet and weighs over 500 tons; enter the amazing 12th century rock hewn churches at Lalibela; visit the 17th century capital of King Fasiladas at Gondar, and feel 80 "angels are watching o'er you" from the ceiling in the Debre Berhan Selassie Church.

Visit Meserete Kristos College:



Tour the new campus at Debre Zeit; interact with faculty and students learn of the challenges of training the next generation of leaders for a church that doubles in size every nine years.

Take an optional 5 day trip to Kenya:

Enjoy a safari in the famous Maasai Mara Game Reserve and visit a Maasai village, tea fields and coffee plantation; see highlights of Mennonite Church mission and development work in Nairobi.

Airline schedule being confirmed. Probable cost for group minimum of 15 persons: \$5,395 USD. If you choose not to take the Kenya side trip, deduct \$1,100.

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