

Nes Ammim

We are an international Christian community in Israel. For 60 years we have been working on learning, peace, and dialogue between Christians from all over the world and the different people of Israel. First the focus was only on Jewish-Christian relationships. In recent years we have added Palestinian perspectives to the dialogue. Nes Ammim, located in northwestern Galilee, is a great place with an open and welcoming atmosphere to meet new friends and to explore Israel and specially to grow in your understanding of the world.





The Explorer Program

We have always been a community of volunteers. In addition to our volunteer program, we will start a new program called the "Explorer Program". Starting January 3rd 2024 we offer a program of 4 weeks, open to all ages. Starting February 3rd 2024 we start a program of 3 months especially for young adults (ages 18-28). You will start together and be in the same program for the same period of time. You will not be required to do the volunteer work hours of 35 hours per week. Instead, the Explorer program will emphasize learning trips and lectures and meeting local people and having other activities.



Nes Ammim Events

Because of our 60th anniversary, the whole year will be filled with special commemorative events. During this 2023-2024 period, we will have special events meeting and celebrating with Israeli citizens in Nes Ammim and in Israel. You will have the opportunity to get to know Jewish and Palestinian-Arab Israelis. The events will vary from an art exhibition to a flower festival.



Culture

We will travel to different cities and villages in Israel and in the Palestinian territories. In meeting different people, we will learn about their cultural heritages and diversities. It will challenge you about your own identity and at the same time we will enjoy the beauty of everything we see and the great people we meet.



Faith & Religion

We are an international Christian community. We welcome everyone who feels connected to the Christian faith or is open towards Christian values. We are open to learn from and experience different religions and cultures. We are an educational center in Israel to learn from Jews, Christians, and Muslims in mutual respect. During the program we will have the opportunity to gather at the Nes Ammim church service and to experience a synagogue service and/or other religious festivities.



Activities

Biking, hiking, and swimming are popular activities. Israel is a beautiful country with impressive and diverse nature. A hike in the desert or a bike tour along the coast, it's all in the program.



Conflict

Israel and the political situation with the Palestinian people is probably the most complex reality in the world. We will study this and discuss this extensively in lectures, study nights, and study trips. We will reflect on our own conflicts, biases, and prejudices. We will learn about ways to manage conflict and make peace.



Costs

To keep the costs as low as possible, you will do household duties (12 hours each week) like cleaning, cooking, and dishwashing. You may also help in the garden or technical service of Nes Ammim. That's why we can offer the Explorer program for €1000,- for 4 weeks (3-1-'24 - 31-1-'24) and €1500,- for 3 months (3-2-'24 - 20-4-'24). The flight and travel insurance are excluded. Nes Ammim will coordinate the flight you book to assist your transfer from the airport to Nes Ammim and to be able to help you start together as an Explorer group.

