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## Why are **World Union** trips different from all other trips?

- ... all WUPJ trips are focused on **sites of Progressive Jewish interest** while including the important secular ones as well.
- ... all WUPJ trips are **led by and feature renowned Progressive Jewish clergy and scholars** from around the world.
- ... all WUPJ trips provide opportunities to **'Eat, Pray, Study' with Progressive Jewish** congregations in their own communities, often also in conjunction with a major international or regional WUPJ conference.
- ... all WUPJ trips **promote the cause of Progressive Judaism:** ensuring the future of vibrant contemporary Jewish communities around the world.

You will travel with, meet, and form life-long friendships with Progressive Jews from all over the world who are committed to this mission!



### **BERLIN and LONDON -** April 7-14, 2016 CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM!

**Led by Rabbi Daniel Freelander** | Join us as we celebrate 90 years of the World Union for Progressive Judaism! Established in London in 1926, the WUPJ held its first international convention just two years later in Berlin. Come follow in the footsteps of history, from Berlin to London, as together we explore the World Union's past, present and future! We invite you to then join the Biennial Conference of the European Union for Progressive Judaism in London (April 14-17).

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About your tour leader: Rabbi Daniel Freelander is President of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. He served the North American Union for Reform Judaism (URJ) as a staff member since 1975. As Director of Program for the North American Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY), Regional Director for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC), North American Director of Program and URJ Senior Vice President, he provided creative vision and management to dozens of programs and projects, including URJ Biennial conferences, music and worship initiatives & publications, and camping and Israel programs. A gifted musician and keen observer of the North American Jewish scene, Rabbi Freelander is well known for lecturing on trends in Reform synagogue life. Together with Cantor Jeff Klepper, he has composed dozens of popular Jewish melodies including the well known "Shalom Rav" and "Lo Alecha."

WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM ד איגוד The World Union for Progressive Judaism is the international umbrella organization of the Reform, Liberal, Progressive and Reconstructionist movements, serving 1,200 congregations with 1.8 million members in more than 50 countries.

## More exciting WUPJ trips!

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#### ISRAEL - May 19 - 26, 2016

#### **Reform Judaism in Israel: An Insider's Perspective**



Led by Professor Paul Liptz and Rabbi Steve Burnstein | Meet Israel's Progressive communities and explore the many projects they have undertaken. Encounter ancient and modern history, and discover scutting edge Israeli innovation, all while bonding with WUPJ friends old and new! We invite you to then join the Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism (IMPJ) Biennial Convention (May 27-28).



**About your tour leader:** Professor Paul Liptz is a social historian who lectures in the Dept. of Middle Eastern History at Tel Aviv U., & in Israel Studies at Hebrew Union College. Prof. Litpz has traveled throughout Europe with numerous groups and is recognized as an outstanding Scholar in Residence, capable of translating complex issues and realities into language we can all understand.



**About your tour leader:** Rabbi Steve Burnstein has been working in Jewish and Israel education for over 30 years. He currently serves as Director of the Anita Saltz International Education Center of the World Union for Progressive Judaism which provides intensive educational programs in Israel and around the world, empowering communities and participants to strengthen connections to Israel and world Jewry.

#### SOUTH AFRICA - July 6 - 17, 2016 Amazing African Adventure: Three Cities and a Safari



Led by Rabbi Lennard Thal | Adventure through the natural wonders of South Africa! Together we'll go on safari, encountering some of the world's most breathtaking wildlife and scenery, including a stay at a Safari lodge. We'll interact with Progressive community leadership in Johannesburg and Cape Town, as well as tour the beautiful coastal Garden Route. This tour **includes** participation in the South African Union for Progressive Judaism (SAUPJ) Biennial Conference in Port Elizabeth, South Africa (July 15 - 17).



**About your tour leader:** Rabbi Lennard Thal is Senior Vice President Emeritus of the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ). He is known throughout the Reform world for his extensive work as a movement leader. Rabbi Thal is the recipient of the World Union's 2015 International Humanitarian Award.

#### FAR EAST: CHINA & SINGAPORE - November 9 - 18, 2016

#### **Exotic Asian Adventure**



Uncover the multi-layered Jewish past of the orient, from Shanghai's Kehilat Shanghai to Singapore's United Hebrew Congregation. We'll meet progressive leadership in Asia before we venture to Perth, Australia for the opportunity to attend the Union for Progressive Judaism (UPJ) Biennial (Nov. 17 - 20). Don't miss this classic adventure of a lifetime, all the while connecting with Progressive Jews worldwide.

#### 2017 Travel Opportunities (details coming soon!):

JEWISH MUSIC CARIBBEAN CRUISE - Winter 2017 WARSAW, Including the new POLIN MUSEUM, in partnership with the CCAR - Analysis - May 11-16, 2017 ISRAEL Seminar for Legal and Social Justice Professionals - May 11-17, 2017 JERUSALEM: WUPJ "Connections 17" International Convention - May 17-21, 2017 EASTERN EUROPE/RUSSIA - Summer 2017

### **URJ Biennial Attendees: Come by the World Union Booth (just outside the Exhibit Hall)** for more info on trips and to learn more about the World Union for Progressive Judaism!

Special Offer for new WUPJ trip participants: SAVE \$100 on an upcoming trip!\*

\*\$100 discount is only for first time WUPJ tour participants and cannot be combined with any other discounts or offers.



#### Find out more at: www.ayelet.com/WUPJ.html or call 800.237.1517

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