



# SACRED SOJOURNS



SUSTAINABLE SPIRITUALITY OF THE DESERT

## CAMEL TREK TO ST. CATHERINE'S MONASTERY AND MT. SINAI

*"The desert will lead you to your heart where I will speak" Hosea 2:14*

SEPT. 12 - 19, 2014

**JERUSALEM-SINAI-JERUSALEM \$1,495, INCLUSIVE LAND PACKAGE**

Join the Rev. Jodene S. Hawkins, Episcopal priest, who served as Chaplain for St. George's College. She lived in Jerusalem and has over 20 years experience with groups in the Holy Land and Sinai Desert. She served as St. George's guest lecturer in 'The Spirituality of the Desert' and 'Pilgrimage and Spirituality.' Jodene is a trained Spiritual Companion and Supervisor of Spiritual Directors. See bio at [www.sacredsojourns.net](http://www.sacredsojourns.net).



Sinai Bedouin Desert camp, Dr. Rabia and Jodene

### Desert Trek is \$1,495 Includes:

- Private air-conditioned bus Jerusalem to Sinai. All desert travel.
- Entry and private guide fees, Bedouin camel drivers, gratuities and private camel.
- Clean, safe B/L/D/ & bottled water on trek. Double/private bath/air-conditioned rooms, in Jerusalem and St. Catherine's:
- Desert under the millions of stars 3 nights. Bedouin hosted.
- Meals and gratuities from dinner Sept. 12 - breakfast Sept 19.
- Extra fees: Sinai border crossing fee approx. \$35, optional Mt. Sinai camel.

### THIS DESERT PILGRIMAGE JOURNEY OFFERS OPPORTUNITIES TO:

Experience the hospitality of Bedouin women and men whose lives are steeped in ancient desert traditions.

**ITINERARY:** Depart Jerusalem via the Dead Sea route to Sinai desert. Sinai desert via camels and four-wheel drive. Desert itinerary with the Bedouin: Taba, the Red Sea, the Nawamis, Wadi El Keri, Jebel Baraka, the Two Canyons and Hududa (big sand dunes). St. Catherine's Monastery a UNESCO World Heritage site is home base for optional Mt. Sinai climb via camel or foot. Home visit with local Coptic Christian family.

'Meet' the desert Mothers and Fathers (Ammas and Abbas) revealing ancient, sustainable spiritual wisdom. Discover women of scripture, history and tradition who were enlightened and transformed by God in the Desert. Meet Egeria, a 4th c woman Pilgrim, via her Jerusalem and Sinai chronicles, [Egeria's Travels](#). Discover simple ways to chronicle our spiritual journeys.

Engage the sounds of silence, campfires, camels waking, hot tea/coffee at sunrise. Have personal quiet times, journey reflections and optional evening gatherings with Bedouin.

Enter the mysteries of the Monastery of St. Catherine. Visit the burning bush, the Monastery treasury with ancient icons and codexes. Light a candle in the monastery that has worshipped continuously since built by Justinian in 525 CE.



Women's Sinai Trek  
September 2011



Jodene and Coptic Christian guide Moussa

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