רמה ישראל
Ramah Israel
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National Ramah Commission Adult Trip to Poland
October 26-30, 2014

Tentative trip itinerary as of May 25, 2014 - subject to change

Sunday, Oct. 26 - Arrival in Warsaw

- Arrival in Warsaw; Group will be met by a Ramah Educator/Guide as well as a licensed Polish guide. (Those not on the group flight will meet at the Arrival area at 1:00pm).
- Drive into the city and begin tour of Warsaw sites (time permitting).
- Warsaw Jewish Cemetery – explore 1000 years of Jewish life and culture via the gravestones of famous personalities - from great Chassidic Rebbes and Yiddish theatre actors to secular Hebrew authors.
- Stop outside the Krochmalna st. Orphanage of Dr. Janusz Korczak (pre WWII), the progressive pediatrician and educator who demonstrated courageous dedication to the children under his care.
- Visit the remains of the Warsaw Ghetto wall
- Umschlagplatz – the deportation station; from where most of Warsaw's Jews were deported to Treblinka
- Ghetto Heroes Trail (Mila 18, Rappaport Memorial)
- Visit the Nozyk synagogue. Time permitting: Short visit to the Jewish School, Old Town.
- Overnight in Warsaw.

Monday, Oct. 27 - *Galicia: "There Once Was a World"*

- Drive to Lublin to visit Yeshivat Chachmey Lublin. Visit other sites in Lublin time permitting.
- Continue to Majdanek Camp. The camp was both a concentration camp as well as an extermination facility.
- Overnight in Lublin

Tuesday, Oct. 28 - "*Memory and Meaning*"

- On our way to Krakow, visit Lezajsk (Yiddish pronunciation: Lezhansk) – home of the legendary Chassidic Rabbi Elimelech, whose Ohel (tomb) we will visit.
- Visit Tarnow, a quaint village with hints of what was once a thriving Jewish community.
- Zbilitovska Gora- The Children's Forest.
- Overnight: Krakow

Wednesday, Oct. 29 - “The Banality of Evil"

- Early morning departure in the direction of Auschwitz.
- Visit renovated Shul in Oswiecim (time permitting).
- Extensive visit to Auschwitz and nearby Birkenau (referred to as Auschwitz II).
- Overnight: Krakow

Thursday, Oct. 30 - Tour Krakow and depart for Israel

- Visit sites in and around Krakow including: The Ghetto and Schindler's factory.
- Visit sites in the Old Jewish Quarter of Kazimierz.
- Time permitting- visit the Old Town
- Oheb shalom Depart for TLV 15:25, NRC participants fly back to the US. (flight back to the US should be scheduled to depart after 3:30pm)