



Frequently Asked Questions

We are excited about bringing the Jewish Federations of North America's General Assembly to Israel from April 23 -26, 2023 as we celebrate Israel's 75th Year of Independence.

We look forward to providing an authentic and immersive Israeli experience that strengthens the relationship between Israel and the Diaspora and catalyzes a truly global celebration of this important milestone. The Israel at 75 General Assembly will also offer a platform for discussing some of the most important issues of the day as we celebrate this landmark for Israel and the global Jewish community.

Who is the General Assembly for?

The Israel at 75 General Assembly is open to any member of the Jewish community. It is designed as a forum for Jewish leaders from North America and Israel, including Federation leaders, activists, and members, as well as partners, funders, thought leaders, and those involved in Jewish communal life in other capacities. We also look forward to welcoming participants who will be in Israel during the General Assembly through other missions and gatherings for portions of the experience. For those who are interested in an extended experience in Israel, we are pleased to offer the opportunity to join a national General Assembly mission, which will take place from April 19-26 and will include all General Assembly offerings.

We are also excited to welcome Israel-based participants. A General Assembly in Israel is a once in a five-year opportunity to engage with the Federation system and meet top North American Jewish influencers and stakeholders. We invite nonprofit leaders, thought leaders and partners to join- to talk, debate and discuss with North American Jewish leadership the issues that are important to you as Israelis. Your presence will enable the real-life, real-time exchange on Israeli society and its future and the sacred relationship which binds us together as a people.

How can I register for the General Assembly?

You can register for the General Assembly at this <u>link</u>. The cost for the General Assembly is \$750. This cost does not include flights or accommodations. More information on how to book accommodations can be found below.

We are running an early bird special discount until January 14 with a registration price of \$700 - register now!

Where will the General Assembly take place and what can I expect from the program?

General Assembly programming will take place from the evening of Sunday, April 23 through the evening of Wednesday, April 26 in multiple locations in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, and central Israel.

Here is the current outline of offerings that will take place:

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Sunday, April 23rd

On Sunday evening, the General Assembly will kick-off with a true global celebration, co-hosted by the Jewish Federations of North America, The Jewish Agency for Israel, Keren HaYesod, and the World Zionist Organization.

Location: Expo Tel Aviv International Convention Center

Monday, April 24th

On Monday, we will host a day-long gathering aimed at exploring key issues facing the global Jewish community in 2023. This gathering will bring together leaders and partners from North America, Israel, and around the world.

Location: Expo Tel Aviv International Convention Center

On Monday evening, we will observe Yom Ha'Zikaron, Israel's Memorial Day, with a special experience at Latrun, the site of fierce fighting during the 1948 War of Independence. This evening is hosted by MASA Israel Journey, which provides long-term immersive experiences for thousands of young Diaspora Jews every year. We will join thousands of current MASA participants for this special event that transitions us into Israel's most somber day of the year. Please note that space is very limited at this event and prior registration is required.

Location: Latrun

Tuesday, April 25th

On Tuesday, as Yom Ha'Zikaron continues, we will facilitate a Mifgash ("Encounter") for small groups of General Assembly participants, guided by Israeli educators, former Schlichim, and others. Groups will take part in ceremonies to honor the fallen and engage in a series of conversations designed to convey the special meaning of this solemn day for their Israeli counterparts.

Location: multiple tracks and sites across Israel

On Tuesday evening, we will shift to celebrating Yom Ha'Atzmaut, Israel's 75th Birthday, with a mega Yom Ha'Atzmaut event that is open to all!

Location: TBD

Wednesday, April 26th

The Yom Ha'Atzmaut celebration will continue through Wednesday with a unique festival that embraces local Israeli traditions, including barbecues, music, dancing, and more!

Location: Neot Kidumim Park – the Biblical Landscape Reserve located midway between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv

On the evening of April 26th, right after the General Assembly, we'll join together with the Greater Miami Jewish Federation Mega Mission for an out-of-this-world celebration. Gather with us under the stars, among the ancient ruins, for an Israel 75th Anniversary music spectacular. It's a night that will live on in your imagination forever. Don't miss it!

Location: Caesarea Amphitheater



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Will transportation be provided for General Assembly programming?

Yes – we will provide busing to all General Assembly programming from General Assembly hotels.

Will the food provided at the General Assembly be Kosher?

All meals provided at the General Assembly are supervised Kosher. Meals will be provided at General Assembly programming. We do not plan to serve breakfast but expect that all hotel stays will include breakfast.

How do I book a hotel for the General Assembly?

We are holding hotel rooms in both Tel Aviv and Jerusalem at a variety of price points. Please fill out <u>this form</u> to request accommodations. If you run into any trouble, please contact <u>Amir Goichman</u>.

May I participate remotely?

Unfortunately, no. The 2023 Israel at 75 General Assembly is organized as an in-person gathering.

What are the COVID precautions being taken?

Jewish Federations require conference attendees to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Booster are recommended but not required. CDC guidance on vaccination and boosters can be viewed <u>here</u>. Masks, testing and social distancing may be implemented as needed in accordance with the requirements of the State of Israel.

Those showing signs of illness (sore throat, cough, fever, chills, fatigue, loss of smell, etc.) or who have tested positive for COVID within 5 days leading-up to the conference are asked to remain at home and avoid attending the event.

Are you interested in joining us for the National Mission leading up to the General Assembly?

There will be a national mission from April 19-26, 2023. The Mission will lead up to and be inclusive of the entire General Assembly.

We have secured two hotels for the General Assembly National Mission. For Five Star Accommodations, at the Dan Tel Aviv, the mission cost will be \$5,754 per person for double occupancy and \$7,732 for single occupancy accommodations. For four-star accommodations, at the Renaissance Hotel, the mission cost will be \$5,101 per person for double occupancy and \$6,435 for single occupancy.

Mission registration is now live. Details can be found <u>here</u>. Please contact <u>generalassembly@jewishfederations.org</u> for more information.

