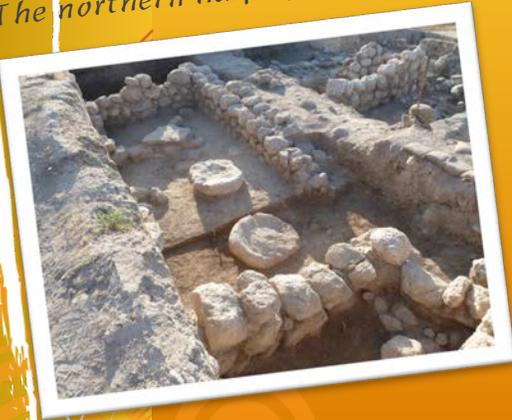


The northern half of the temple



BETH-SHEMESH

TEMPLE/PALACE PROJECT

June 12-July 7, 2016

In 2008, we began to uncover the remains of a palace from the 14th century B.C. While trying to uncover more of it, we encountered a temple from the Iron Age I—the time of the biblical Judges. Half of both structures remain buried! Help us uncover the rest!

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TBS - 2016

Who Knows What Lurks in the Soil?

Come join us for another exciting season of work at this cutting edge site--a site with connections to Egypt, Crete, Syria, Cyprus and, of course, ancient Israel.



Archaeology Field School

You will be involved in the excavation and preliminary analysis of artifacts from a biblical site and its precursors. No previous excavation experience is necessary, only a desire and willingness to learn about archaeology and ancient history. In addition to the field experience, classes are offered several evenings of the week, which all are expected to attend. Volunteers must be at least 18 years of age (16 if accompanied by a parent working in the project) and in good health and be willing to work hard under sometimes difficult conditions. During the afternoons, volunteers assist in washing and analyzing pottery.

"Reading" Pottery



Some Program Features...

- ✓ 2-4 weeks of archaeological experience (minimum of 2 weeks)
- ✓ Informal, individualized instruction by archaeologists and biblical scholars
- ✓ Hands-on excavation of artifacts
- ✓ Lecture program in archaeological theory and biblical history
- ✓ Weekends free to explore on your own or with a group

Costs

Fees for the full 4-week season are ca. \$2500; this includes room, board, and camp fees. Airfare, weekend travel, and travel from the airport to the kibbutz and back at the end of the dig are additional costs. For those who wish to stay less than 4 weeks, the fee will be less and determined per week (plus your airfare, etc.). Costs for less than 4 weeks are not prorated, but are for the entire week or any part thereof.

Fees for weekend travel including touring with the group, are additional to the fees above. Three optional tours are planned: one to southern Israel and one to northern Israel (each tentatively priced at ca. \$250/person) and one to Jerusalem, which involves the last three nights in Israel (ca. \$450/person).

About the Senior Staff...

The project directors are Shlomo Bunimovitz (Ph.D., Tel Aviv) and Zvi Lederman (Ph.D., Harvard) both of Tel Aviv University. Dale W. Manor (Ph.D., Univ. of Arizona) of Harding University is the Field Director; Shawn Bubel (Ph.D., K. U. Leuven) of the University of Lethbridge directs the field school. Each has extensive field experience and brings special contributions to the project.