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uncovered an intact oil lamp and drinking glass in the basement of a Roman home dating back 2,600 years.

Other activities included visits to Yad Vashem (the Holocaust Memorial Museum), Prime Minister Itzhak Rabin's grave on Mount Herzl, The Knesset (Israel's parliament), Jewish communal living in a kibbutz, and the mountaintop fortress of Masada, where a community of Jews in 73 C.E. chose suicide rather than giving up their faith. The group also toured the holy sites of Christians and Muslims. "You can't isolate history," said Barson. "You have to understand all the pieces in order to know where you fit in."

Though the opening ceremonies of the Maccabiah Games in Tel Aviv were meant to be among the happy events, tourists learned how quickly joy can turn to tragedy in Israel. Barke was among those who witnessed the bridge leading to the stadium collapse into the Yarkon River, killing two Australian athletes and injuring 64 others.

Bryce Sandler, 26, of Farmington Hills, a political fund-raiser for U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Township, was among the group's 270 adults visiting Israel for the first time.

"It was a totally experience," said the Cleveland native. "But Jerusalem interested me the most. It was interesting to see Muslims, Arab, Christian and Israeli Jews all living together and engaged in everyday activities and day-to-day interactions."

The group also visited with the Ethiopian Jews in Magdal Ha Emek, the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit's sister city developed to form a living bridge between Israel and the Diaspora.

"The significant thing is that there was a connection there that went beyond language or communication to follow Jews who come from a completely different country," said Sandler. "It's a bond that goes beyond language or culture."



**Spiritual reflections:** Bryce Sandler (left) of Farmington Hills, Lisa Barson of Southfield and Marc Berke of Royal Oak were among the Oakland County singles who took part in the United Jewish Appeal's latest mission to Israel.

Just days after returning to Oakland County, the group learned that Jerusalem's main fruit and vegetable market was bombed in a suicide blast that took 14 lives and injured 160. But isolated incidents like these don't seem to be a deterrent for Barson, Berke and Sandler, who plan to make a return trip abroad.

"I felt incredibly safe in Israel," said Sandler. "If we're afraid to go, then the terrorists win," said Barson, who brims with tears when describing how the tour group broke into singing. "There will be peace in Israel."

"We're so far away from Israel that we have to physically practice and physically remind ourselves that we're Jewish."

The Jewish Federation of

Metropolitan Detroit works in partnership with Jewish institutions and agencies to build a unified Jewish community, enrich the quality of Jewish life, support Israel, strengthen the bonds of world Jewry and create a climate of respect for the diversity of Jewish ideas and practices. The organization has been sponsoring mission trips to Israel for various age groups since 1950.

Members of this year's first summer singles mission are in the midst of planning a September reunion in Oakland County.

"The social aspect to the trip is unforgettable," added Sandler, who is eager to continue the fellowship in the States. "There were so many new friendships being made."

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mental health. "And it made me a little more self-assured... being accepted in such a way by a complete stranger and knowing you have helped someone."

As she waits for another assignment, Flea discusses one of the drawbacks of the program. "People have to ask for it. And it's very difficult for some people to ask for help," she said. "But they should, because it's a wonderful program."

The Stephen ministry program was founded in 1975 by Kenneth C. Haugk, a pastor, clinical psychologist, author and educator.

It was initiated to fill the needs of overworked church staffs, individuals needing quality care and lay church members seeking a meaningful ministry.

The Missouri-based, trans-

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nominal ministry is active in 6,000 congregations representing 100 denominations worldwide.

"We extend the Stephen Ministry services to anyone in the community," said Leckie. "Care receivers are not limited to Northbrook members."

Leckie's involvement at Northbrook has taken on a number of forms from serving as camp counselor to chairing the Retirement Home Luncheon.

The directorship of the Stephen Ministry fell under her care in June, when she left her job as an outreach consultant at the Birmingham Area Seniors Coordinating Center in Southfield to assume a part-time position as director of adult ministries at Northbrook.

The Rev. R. Bruce Meyer, pastor of Northbrook Presbyterian Church, is among the trained Stephen Ministers on the church staff.

The program serves as a structured extension of his ministry.

"The minister is still always there to minister to the needs of the congregation," added Leckie. "This is an adjunct to that... a way to greater serve and minister to the needs of the congregation."

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