

# The 60th Anniversary of Selma

with the National Council of Jewish Women

March 7–9, 2025



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**Join NCJW as we travel to Birmingham, Montgomery, and Selma, Alabama to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the bloody confrontation at the Edmund Pettus Bridge and the march from Selma to Montgomery that followed.**

The Selma Jubilee commemorates Bloody Sunday, which originally occurred on March 7, 1965, when a group of 525 African-American demonstrators crossed the Edmund Pettus Bridge, in Selma, Alabama, demanding the right to vote. The demonstrators were met by more than 50 state troopers, horses, and possemen. When they refused to turn back, the demonstrators were brutally beaten. The attack was broadcast on national television and caught the attention of millions of Americans, becoming a symbol of the brutal racism of the South. Two weeks later, the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and 3,200 civil rights protesters marched the 49 miles from Selma to Montgomery — an event that prompted Congress to pass the Voting Rights Act.

**NCJW's Selma 60th Anniversary Experience will provide participants with the opportunity to engage in meaningful dialogue while learning about the rich history of Jewish life in the South. They will connect with civil rights partners and hear stories of resilience from one of the most influential Civil Rights moments of our time.**

This trip provides an extraordinary opportunity for relationship building while visiting historical Civil Rights sites and sharing in Jewish practices and prayer. Participants will hear stories and updates from individuals who are continuing the legacy of the brave demonstrators who crossed the Pettus Bridge in Selma 60 years ago.



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## SELMA EXPERIENCE ITINERARY (subject to change)

### Friday, March 7 Birmingham, AL

*Optional early arrival (by 12:00CST)  
for those interested in seeing the  
Birmingham, AL historic sites:*

- Kelly Ingram Park
- 16th Street Baptist Church
- Congregation Beth El Civil Rights Experience

*Official Trip Kick-Off (7:00CST):*

- Shabbat Welcome Dinner

### Saturday, March 8 Montgomery, AL

- Legacy Museum
- Memorial for Peace and Justice (Lynching Memorial)
- Freedom Monument Sculpture Park
- Mothers of Gynecology Monuments
- Congregation Agudath Israel Etz Ahayem

### Sunday, March 9 Selma, AL

- Congregation Mishkan Israel
- Selma Bridge Crossing Jubilee 60th Anniversary Events

*We anticipate that Jubilee events  
will go late into the afternoon.  
While the trip events will end on  
March 9th, please plan to stay  
over and fly out on March 10th*

**Accommodations:** NCJW has a hotel room block (\$179 + taxes & fees) at **Marriott Birmingham** located at 3590 Grandview Pkwy, Birmingham, AL 35243. We will depart from and return to the Marriott Birmingham each day.

**Food:** All meals will have vegetarian options. Due to limited availability of Kosher food in Alabama, anyone requesting Kosher food may be served pre-packaged items for most meals.

**Cost:** We anticipate costs to range between \$700–\$1,000 per person, which will include all event transportation, meals, site admissions tickets, and religious services. This cost does not include transportation to/from the airport, airfare, or hotel accommodations. We will finalize this price before registration opens this winter.

**Activity Level:** Please note that the days will be long (especially Saturday and Sunday) and will require lots of standing and walking in unpredictable (and sometimes very hot) weather.

**QUESTIONS?** Please email Rachel at [rfaulkner@ncjw.org](mailto:rfaulkner@ncjw.org).

