

## Journey of St Paul Pilgrimage

**May 26 - June 6, 2024 - 12 Days** 

\$5,999 from JFK (Add \$1,600 from Honolulu)

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Sunday, May 26 - Day 1 - DEPART - This afternoon, we depart from JFK Airport on board our overnight flight to Athens. We enjoy in-flight movies, dinner and breakfast aloft.

Monday, May 27 - Memorial Day USA - Day 2 - ATHENS/
THESSALONIKI- We arrive in Athens this morning, change planes and continue to Thessaloniki. We are met by our tour manager, for a panoramic tour of the city which includes treasures of the ancient Byzantine and medieval eras such as the famous Byzantine St. Dimitri Church, Vlatadon Monastery and the Citadel. We pass by the Arch of Galerius, then continue to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Tuesday, May 28 - Day 3 -

THESSALONIKI/PHILIPPI/ KAVALA - We begin the day by following the massive battlement Byzantine wall to the citadel for a panoramic view of the city. Next, we visit Philippi where we celebrate Mass. Then on to Kavala. Greece's prettiest mainland port with a most elegant harbor. Paul landed here with his disciples, Timothy, and Silas. Luke, the Evangelist, also came here from Troas. This ancient city of Neapolis was later renamed Christoupolis. We see the Roman Aqueduct and the Ruins of the Acropolis in this beautifully located city, known since the 5th century, as Kavala. We continue to Philippi where Paul preached the Good News of our Savior and baptized the first Christians

on European soil. We view the baptismal site where Lydia surrendered her life to Christ and visit a crypt dating from the Roman period that is thought to have served as a prison for Paul. We return to our hotel in Thessaloniki for dinner and overnight.

Wednesday, May 29 - Day 4 -THESSALONIKI/ATHENS - This morning, we depart Thessaloniki for our short flight to Athens. On arrival, we enjoy a sightseeing tour of this most ancient cradle of democracy. We visit the legendary Acropolis and see the Parthenon, the foremost jewel of the Acropolis. At the foot of the Acropolis is the Areopagus or Mars Hill. Here Paul made his famous "Men of Athens" speech revealing a considerable knowledge of the Greek philosophy and character. Conditions permitting, we celebrate Mass on this very site. Driving through the city, we will pass the National Library, the Academy, University, presidential palace, the stadium, the Temple of Zeus, Hadrian's Arch, House of Parliament, and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Thursday, May 30 - Corpus Christi - Day 5 - CORINTH – After breakfast, we drive along the coastal highway to Corinth, with a splendid view of the Aegean Sea. After crossing the canal which connects

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the Ionian and Aegean seas, we reach ancient Corinth. We visit the ancient ruins of the city, where St. Paul worked with Aquila and Priscilla. Included are the first century shops, the Agora, Temple of Apollo, the bema seat, ending with a visit to Acrocorinth. Conditions permitting, we celebrate Mass near the foundations of a Byzantine period Church in Cenchrae This afternoon is at leisure in Athens. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Friday, May 31 – Visitation - Day 6 - ATHENS/IZMIR/KUSADASI - This morning, we leave Athens by Turkish Airlines to Izmir, via Istanbul. On arrival we drive one hour to Kusadasi for dinner and overnight.

Saturday, June 1 - Day 7 - KUSADASI/EPHESUS/MARY'S HOUSE/KUSADASI -- In the morning we head to Ephesus, modern day Selchuk. We tour the ancient city where Paul lived for 27 months and then we visit the place where a later Christian tradition believes that Mary, the Mother of Our Lord lived with St. John. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Kusadasi. We visit the Basilica of St. John where the Council of Ephesus took place proclaiming Mary to be the Mother of God.

## Sunday, June 2 - Day 8 -KUSADASI/MILETUS/HIERAPOLI S/TOMB OF PHILIP/PAMUKKALE

- This morning, we drive 35 miles south to Miletus for a brief visit and celebrate The Eucharist there. We then head to our thermal hotel in Pamukkale. Before checking in, we relax in the thermal waterpools of Pamukkale and enjoy a brief visit to the ruins of Hierapolis, a city which hosted a Christian-Community in St. Paul's day and is referred to in his Colossian Epistle. Here we visit the tomb which once held the remains of Philip the

Apostle in the well-preserved Necropolis. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Monday, June 3 – Trinity - Day 9 - PAMUKKALE/LAODICEA/COLOSSA E/KONYA - In the morning we head south to Laodicea and Colossae to visit these outstanding historical sites. Dinner and overnight in Konya (Iconium in the time of Paul) at our hotel.

Tuesday, June 4 - Day 10 - KONYA/ PERGE/ANTALYA— We visit the museum in Konya this morning, where Paul and Barnabas preached the Gospel, and then continue south to Perge where Paul visited twice during his missionary journeys. Dinner and overnight in Antalya.

Wednesday, June 5 - Day 11 – ANTALYA/MYRA/ANTALYA – Today we visit Myra, where Paul and Luke had changed ships to Rome during his last journey. Myra was also the episcopal see of St. Nicholas who lived in his life as a bishop the qualities that caused his fame and popularity to spread throughout the Christian world. His cathedral and tomb are there. We return to Antalya for dinner and overnight.

## Thursday, June 6 - Day 12 - ANTALYA/ISTANBUL/ATHENS/NYC

- We transfer to Antalya International Airport for our flight to Istanbul, transfer to our flight to Athens, then board our flight to JFK. We arrive in New York with memories to last a lifetime. \$50 Early Booking Discount if Reserved by November 9, 2023

## **Journey of St Paul Pilgrimage TK0526BF**

Mail to: Unitours, Inc. 10 Midland Ave. #202. Port Chester, NY 10573 Please reserve \_\_\_\_ seats on this Journey of St Paul Pilgrimage - May 26 - June 6, 2024

Enclosed please find deposit of \$500 per person (Payable to Unitours, Inc.)
PLEASE ENCLOSE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT (Passport MUST be valid until December 06, 2024, or later.)

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**TOTAL TOUR PRICE:** The tour price is based on airfare, cruise, land rates and rates of exchange in effect September 23, 2023. All rates are subject to change without prior notice. Should the rates go up or down, an adjustment would be made prior to departure. Refunds CANNOT be granted for any accommodations, services or events that are not used nor if you deviate from the tour. If fewer than 25 pilgrims participate a price adjustment may be necessary.

PASSPORT AND VISA REQUIREMENTS: A valid passport is required. At the time of printing, U.S. citizens holding valid passports DO NOT REQUIRE visas but may require COVID vaccination for the country or countries being visited. Passport MUST be valid until December 06, 2024, or later. Citizens of countries other than U.S. - please contact the consulate of the country or countries being visited to determine visa requirements.

AIR TRANSPORTATION: International flight reservations are being held on Turkish, Aegean and Hawaiian Airlines. No stopovers are permitted. Any changes after ticket is issued carries a mandatory charge of \$200. Once the tickets are issued, they are NON-TRANSFERABLE AND NON-REFUNDABLE. Any requests to change a ticket once issued will incur a reissue fee of \$200 plus any fare differential will apply. Cancellation of air seat within 90 days of departure will incur a \$200 penalty.

**DOMESTIC AIRFARE:** For those who make domestic air arrangements to the originating city of this tour, your tour host and Unitours strongly recommend the purchase of tickets that can be changed without heavy fees and penalties as international flight schedules are always <u>subject to change</u>.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Specially selected hotels based on twin occupancy with private bath. Single Room supplement of \$928 (or \$1,298 from Honolulu) will be charged where requested and available. If you do not have a roommate and Unitours is unable to arrange one, you will be billed for the single room supplement. All singles are subject to availability.

**MEALS:** Breakfast and Table D' Hote dinners are provided daily except where noted in the itinerary. An extra charge will be made when coffee, tea or other beverages are not included in the menu of the day with the dinner meal.

TIPS AND TAXES: Tips and taxes normally appearing on hotel and restaurant bills as service are included, as are all government and local taxes on hotels and meals, porterage of one suitcase per person. International departure taxes of \$141 plus current fuel surcharges of \$480 are included or \$237 and \$480 from Hawaii (subject to change). TIPS TO TOUR MANAGER/GUIDES, DRIVERS OR DINING ROOMS STAFF OF \$117 ARE NOT INCLUDED. One average sized suitcase not exceeding 50 lbs total weight and 62 linear inches (height plus width plus depth) is permitted throughout the trip.

**NOT INCLUDED:** Expenses and items not specifically mentioned in this brochure are NOT covered, including but not limited to: passport and visa fees, meals not listed and items of a personal nature such as laundry, wines, liquors, mineral waters, after dinner coffee or tea, sightseeing or services other than those specifically mentioned, tips and taxes mentioned above, excess baggage and insurance, etc.

**DEPOSITS AND CANCELLATIONS:** A deposit of \$500 is required to secure reservations. Any balance is to be paid in full no later than 60 days before departure

of tour. Final payments received **by** Unitours after 45 days before departure must include a \$25 late payment fee. (This does not apply for new reservations made within 45 days of departure.) Reservations made within 60 days of departure must include full payment. Amex, Discover, Visa and MasterCard are accepted with signed reservation form. Final payments will be applied to same credit card on final payment due date. Cancellations made from time of reservation to within 61 days prior to departure - \$400 administration fee (charged to deposit) plus any air penalties noted above. In the event of a cancellation from 60 to 31 days prior to departure - - \$400 administration fee plus up to 50% of the land cost, plus any air penalties noted above. No refund for cancellations received within 30 days of departure. All cancellation and refund claims must be in writing to Unitours, Inc.

**BANK FEE:** A fee of \$50 will be charged for any check that is returned to us for insufficient or unavailable funds.

**DEVIATIONS:** A service charge of \$50 per person will be applied for any deviations made in tour, (where possible), PLUS any additional air or land charges incurred. **TRAVEL INSURANCE:** Optional Travel Insurance is strongly recommended for your trip. See <a href="www.Unitours.com/travelInsurance">www.Unitours.com/travelInsurance</a> for full details and to purchase coverage to cover preexisting conditions, insurance must be purchased within 21 days of Unitours' receipt of your reservation.

LAND ARRANGEMENTS: The tour operator reserves the right to change the itinerary due to unforeseen emergencies.

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