

#### Day 1: SEPT 14 WED Departure from US

Today we embark on our Journey to the lands of ancient treasures and Christian history with an overnight flight to Greece. Prepare yourself for a life-changing experience. Get some rest on the flight... Tomorrow you will be walking where the apostles walked!

#### Day 2: SEPT 15 THU Arrival Athens

We arrive in Athens and check into our hotel. You will have the remainder of the day free to relax or take a stroll along the streets of Athens to enjoy the flavor of the city. This evening, our group will enjoy the first of many delectable European style dinners at our hotel.

#### Day 3: SEPT 16 FRIDAY Cruising Mykonos

We sail this morning from Athens to the quaint isle of Mykonos, called the island of windmills. Experience the waterfront lined with shops and cafes, then stroll the charming walkways through a maze of whitewashed buildings before returning to the ship for dinner and evening entertainment.

#### Day 4: SEPT 17 Ephesus and Patmos

Docking in Turkey, enjoy an optional tour of Ephesus, the city of the Bible and one of the largest restorations still in progress with miles of ancient treasures. Ephesus was once a thriving port town of 250,000 people. Today you can still see the spectacular excavations of the major streets in this ancient city including the Agora, the Odeon, the Library, the marble-paved main Street, the Baths, Trajan's Fountain, and the Residences of the Patricians, the Prytaneum, and Temple of Hadrian. The Great Theatre, built in the 4th century B.C., could accommodate 24,000 spectators and it is famous even nowadays for its acoustics. This afternoon we visit the Isle of Patmos, under statutory protection as a historic monument. Here we have an optional tour to see the fortified monastery of St. John and the cave claimed to be where John received the Revelation. Back on the ship, enjoy the Captain's dinner before settling in to your cabin for the night.

### Day 5: SEPT 18 Crete and Santorini

Crete is the largest and the most rugged of the Greek islands. Take a tour to Heraklion and the fantastic ruins of the Palace of Knossos. Discovered in 1899 and partially reconstructed, the elaborate Palace is believed to be the mythical Labyrinth of King Minos and the seat of ancient Minoan culture. This afternoon visit the island of Santorini which is perhaps the most breathtaking of all the Greek Islands. The town of Thira where white-washed houses, narrow streets, open-air cafes and glittering boutiques cling to steep cliffs is accessible by foot path, cable-car or mule. You may choose to take a tour of sailing around an active volcano crater and swimming in the water heated by hot springs or enjoy this lovely island on foot. Again we return to the ship for dinner and evening entertainment.

## Day 6: SEPT 19 MONDAY Disembark Cruise – Flight to Thessaloniki-Philippi-Thessaloniki

We disembark the cruise this morning and transfer to Athens airport for short flight to Thessaloniki . We land and drive towards Kavala.. We will visit Philippi and Kavala. Kavala is 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 because it was the first European city to accept Christianity. Imagine walking on the same sod as these men of the Bible! We will see the Roman Aqueduct and the ruins of the Acropolis in this beautifully located city, known since the 5th century as Kavala. Continue on to Philippi where Paul preached his first evangelical sermon and baptized the first Christians on European soil. We will 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. See the famous Acropolis, the Market Place, Basilica, and the Theatre. We return to Thessalonica for dinner and overnight

#### DAY 7, SEPT 20 TUE Thessaloniki, Veria, Meteora

We begin the day by following the massive battlement Byzantine wall to the citadel for a panoramic view of the city and visit St. Demetrius Basilica, dedicated to a distinguished member of the Roman army and a martyred Christian convert,. Driving through town we see remnants of the original Roman road that spanned the nation during Paul's time. The New Testament books of I & II Thessalonians will come alive to us today as we arrive in the delightful harbor city of Thessalonica. In route to the hotel we will view the old city ramparts; the newly excavated Forum, St. George Church, an ancient Roman monument which was transformed into a church and the Galerius Arch which rises over the famous Via Egnatia. A stop will be made in Berea to view the ancient synagogue where Paul spoke and the Bema surrounded by mosaics of Paul and the plaque of scripture regarding the "more noble" church. Continue to Kalambaka (Meteora) for dinner and overnight

#### Day 8 SEPT 21 WED Meteora, Athens

Today at Meteora we see the world famous Byzantine monasteries that are perched precariously on summits of gray rock pinnacles of varied and beautiful shapes. Their history goes back to the 14th century when the monks sought refuge in the Cliffside caves then fled higher to build the original wooden shelters, later transformed into monasteries. Drive to Athens with a stop at Thermopylae where Leonidas 300 braves fought the Persians. Dinner and overnight in Athens.

#### Day 9 SEPT 22 THU Athens and Corinth

We visit the Acropolis, the Parthenon, and Erectheum before viewing Athens atop Mars Hill where Paul stood and preached the truth to the Gentile nation. Additional sites include the Agora (ancient market place and center of Athenian public life), the House of Parliament, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Olympic Stadium, and Presidential Palace. Then, travel west with a rest stop and photos at the Corinth Canal. We then travel to the ancient city of Corinth, another treat for the New Testament scholar. Corinth is the city that inspired many of Paul's most familiar letters. See the Archaeological Museum, the Market Place, the Bema, and the Temples. To enjoy a devotional in the midst of the ruins of the church of Corinth and see the pillars, steps, and public worship place where Paul preached will enhance your understanding and love of I & II Corinthians. The ruins of this important cultural center are fascinating as we walk along the stone path that the Apostle Paul walked. The engineering skill and intellect of these people are evident in the water systems that still flow from ancient to modern day. Our guide will be sure to show you the room dedicated to the medical care of that period. Dinner and overnight in Athens

#### Day 10 SEPT 23 FRI: Homeward Bound We transfer to the airport for our flight home









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Departure City: Departure Date
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Birth date/State of Birth:
Passport #: Issue Date://
Exp. Date:// Country of Issue:
Sex:MaleFemale
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Email: send me emails:
2)Legal Name:
Birth date/ State of Birth:
Passport #: Issue Date://
Exp. Date:/ Country of Issue:
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TRIPLE ROOMS/CHILDREN: Triple accommodations can be arranged, but few genuine triplebedded rooms exist. To make a triple, a rollaway or sofa bed is added to a regular twin-bedded room. Such accommodations have limited availability and there is no reduction in cost offered by the hotels. For children 12 year of age or older, full land cost applies. Unaccompanied minor under 18 years of age cannot be accepted. Your tour host will be able to advise you.

LUGGAGE: Carrying and handling of one piece of luggage per person is included. On airlines, free baggage allowance for Economy Class passengers is according to the size and weight. The total measurement of both pieces may not exceed 106 inches and each single piece may not exceed 62 inches. Total measurement is length plus height plus width. Bag cannot weighmore than 50 lbs. Apart from the usual accessories (handbag, carry-on, camera, umbrella, etc.) each passenger may carry one piece of luggage, the measurement of which may not exceed 45 inches. This carry-on piece of luggage must remain in the personal care of the tour member throughout the tour. Airline liability for passenger's baggage is stated on contract included on all tickets and shall not exceed the actual loss, subject to proof. Baggage is at "Owner's Risk" throughout the tour offered from and return to U.S. departure city.

CHANGES: When a written request to change the standard program is approved by Friends Tours and Travel, Inc., a minimum of \$50 per person, per change will be charged. Transfers for such passengers are not included in the program price and are solely the responsibility of the passenger.

HOTELS: First class and/or deluxe hotels. All hotels are with private bath per person cost based on sharing twin-bedded rooms. A limited number of single rooms are available at the supplement indicated (\$750). In the event of any unforeseen hotel changes, a similar hotel may be substituted.

AIRLINE/HOTEL/LAND TOUR MEAL SERVICE: On tour, meals consisting of buffet breakfast and dinner daily. Coffee and/or tea included with breakfast, but as is customary overseas not included with dinner and are an extra cost if requested. Meals while in-flight are according to custom of airline involved and shall be considered the meal service appropriate to the time of day. Special dietary meals cannot be guaranteed on the land tour.

LAND TRANSPORTATION: Deluxe, modern, air-conditioned motor coach and Englishspeaking guides are used throughout the tour and are exclusively for group.

SIGHTSEEING: As indicated in the itinerary with service of local English speaking guides including entrance fees to sights indicated on brochure.

INSURANCE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED. Trip cancel-lation, baggage and health/accident insurance is available.

TRANSFERS: Between all arrival, departure points and hotels with one suitcase except in the USA where no service is provided.

GRATUITIES/VISA FEES/MICELLANEOUS TAXES: Local, state and hotel taxes are included. Departure taxes and various service charges are included unless specified. Tips to guides and drivers are extra.

EXTRA COSTS: If you are traveling alone and wish to share accommodations, we will assign you a roommate, if one is available. If there is no one with whom you can share, you will be invoiced for a single room. Items not mentioned as being included, but not limited to passport fees, beverages and meals other than those mentioned, laundry or dry cleaning and all other items of a personal nature are at the full expense of tour members.

DEPOSITS/CANCELLATIONS/REFUNDS: Your deposit of \$300.00 per person constitutes your conditions, and will be applied to total price of program selected. The optional "Easy Payment" installment plan (no interest) is on your registration form. Payment can be made in full. Remaining balance to be paid in full no later then 60 days prior to departure. After initial deposit \$100.00 cancellation fee applies for any cancellation received in writing up to 60 days prior to departure. 59 to 30 days prior to departure \$300.00 cancellation fee will be applied plus any airline or hotel penalties. NO REFUND is pos-sible under any circumstances for cancellations made within 30 days of departure. TOUR INSURANCE IS AVAILABLE AND STRONGLY RECOMMENDED, all claims must be in writing and will be processed by the Insurance Company. No refunds will be given for services or sightseeing rendered and not used by tour members. The tour operator reserves the right to cancel, withdraw or change the tour in whole or part at any time when unforeseen circumstances arise. All cancellations must be in writing.

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