



Seven Churches and Church Councils with Patmos

Tour Hosts: Edward P. Meadors

January 14-26, 2011

(On Campus Study with Dr. Meadors January 3-13)



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Tour Itinerary:

Jan 14 Fri Depart from Chicago. Fly to Istanbul

Jan 15 Sat Arrive Istanbul Airport

Arrive Istanbul Airport in the afternoon. Our representative will meet you after the customs and baggage claim. Transfer to the hotel. Enjoy the Egyptian Spice Bazaar and a late afternoon Bosphorus Boat Cruise. Return to Hotel for Dinner and overnight. (D)

Jan 16 Sun Istanbul

Full day Istanbul tour; the Roman Hippodrome Square, Blue Mosque with its beautiful blue tiles, St. Sophia Church, built by Constantine the Great and reconstructed by Justinian in the 6th century, one of the world's greatest architectural marvels and a designated World Heritage site. Visit the Underground Cisterns. Then visit the important Istanbul Archaeological Museum containing the Gezer Calendar, the Titus Inscriptions, City Walls from Babylon, and other important items. Afternoon visit to the Topkapi Palace, the Imperial Residential Palace of the Ottoman sultans between the 16th and 19th centuries and the oldest and largest of the remaining palaces in the world. Its displays include priceless world-class collections of jewelry, porcelain and costumes of the sultans. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)



Hagia Sophia, Istanbul

Jan 17 Mon Bursa- Nicaea- Iznik- Istanbul

Drive to Iznik (ancient Nicaea) via the beautiful Iznik lake road. Two ecumenical councils were held here: the First Ecumenical Council of 325 and the Seventh Ecumenical Council of 787. Visit the ruins of the St. Sophia Church where the Seventh Ecumenical Council was held. In the afternoon, drive to Istanbul. Return to hotel for dinner and overnight (B,D)

Jan 18 Tue Istanbul-Troy-Alexander Troas (Acts 16:8-11; 20:5, 6, II Tim. 4:13 II Cor. 2:12)- Assos

Drive to Çanakkale. Cross the Dardanelles Strait by car ferry. Proceed to Troy to see the legendary city and the replica of the Wooden Horse. Then drive to Alexandria Troas founded by Alexander the Great. Paul visited here at least twice. Then drive to Assos, this Hellenistic city where Paul rejoined his companions, enjoy a hike up to the Acropolis. Overnight Assos. (B, D)

Jan 19 Wed Pergamon (Rev. 1:11; 2:12) -Thyatira (Acts 16:14, Rev. 1:11; 2:18-24)-Smyrna (Rev. 1:11; 2:8)

Leave for Pergamon. Visit the Acropolis with the steepest theater of the ancient world, Visit Asclepion, and the Temple of Trajan. Then visit the Red Basilica which was an Egyptian Temple, later converted to a church in the 1st century. Continue to Izmir for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Jan 20 Thur Izmir

Enjoy a day in Izmir. Visit the new Archeological Museum, in the fair area. Enjoy the Roman Agora with newly excavated sections and its graffiti. Visit Alexander the Greats Castle on Mount Pagos, overlooking the Izmir Bay. Visit the Old Jewish Quarter and the old Elevator. Enjoy a walk on the 'kordon' sea side street, in the modern Izmir area. Dinner at an outside tonight. Overnight Izmir (B,D)



Sardis

Jan 21 Fri Sardis (Rev. 1:11; 3:1-4)- Philadelphia (Rev. 1:11; 3:7) - Pamukkale

Drive to Sardis, the capital of the ancient Lydia, where first coin of the world is invented. Enjoy the Hike up to the Acropolis, see Temple of Artemis, and the ruins of the early Church constructed next to the Temple of Diana. Continue to Alasehir to see the 1st century Philadelphia Church. Dinner and overnight at the Colossae Hotel in Pamukkale. (B,D)

Jan 22 Sat Laodicea (Col 2:1; 4:13-16, Rev. 1:11; 3:14) - Colossae(Col. 1:2)-Aphrodisias – Kusadasi

Morning tour of Pamukkale, noted ancient spa, where pure white travertines form frozen waterfalls. Stop in Laodicea and Colossae. Drive to Aphrodisias, the city of the Goddess of Love, and see the well preserved Stadium, the Odeon, the Theater and the Agora. Continue to Kusadasi for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Jan 23 Sun Ephesus (Acts 18:19-24; 19:1-35; 20:16-17; 21:29, 1 Cor. 15:32; 16:8, I Tim. 1:3 II Tim. 1:18; 4:12, Rev. 1:11, 2:1)-Kusadasi

Visit the famous ancient city of Ephesus, the Ephesus Archaeological Museum and the Basilica of St. John. The visit of the House of Virgin Mary is optional. Dinner and overnight in Kusadasi. (B, D)

Jan 24 Mon Patmos - Kuşadası

Today we'll travel by private boat to the Greek Island of Patmos, location of the cave where John wrote the Book of Revelation, and also spent some time at St.John's Monastery. Return to Kuşadası for overnight. (B,D)

**In this season there is a 50/50 chance that the Greek ferry boat company will cancel, due to bad weather, this is out of our control. If the Patmos ferry is cancelled, the group will travel to Sirince Village.

Jan 25 Tue Miletus - Didyma - Priene - Kusadasi

Visit the Greco-Roman city of Priene. Then visit Miletus theater where Paul spoke to the locals. Lastly, visit the Apollo Temple in Didyma, the famous oracle center of Asia Minor. Enjoy a walk up to the hilltop of Priene. Return to Kusadasi. (B, D)

Jan 26 Wed Departure

Early transfer to the Izmir Airport for departure. Fly back to Chicago. Arrive Chicago same day afternoon. End of our services. (B)



LAND & AIR TOUR RATES:

\$3,165 Per Person in Double Occupancy, minimum 20 paying persons

\$495 Single Supplement

INCLUDING

- Roundtrip Air Fare between Chicago-Turkey
- 11 nights at 4 star hotels in Turkey
- Sightseeing as per the itinerary
- All escorted transfers
- Daily breakfast and dinners (B: breakfast, D: dinner)
- Transportation by private A/C bus with driver throughout the tour
- Car ferry cost, tolls, parking fees, gasoline
- Bible Oriented English speaking professional tour guide throughout the tour
- Entry fees to the sites & museums
- Service charges & local taxes
- Private ferry boat to Island of Patmos- (Subject to change due to weather conditions)
- Including tips to tour guide and driver for entire trip
- Round trip bus fare from Upland, IN to Chicago, IL

EXCLUDING

- Lunches and all drinks
- Turkish Visa fee (\$20 per person for US citizens, to be paid at Istanbul airport upon arrival)
- Personal expenses
- Any other service which is not mentioned above



PAYMENT PROCEDURE:

1. \$100 per person Deposit for the airline: Due September 30, 2010

This is a refundable deposit. No LAND pre-payment is requested at this stage.

2. Full Payment : Due November 30, 2010

We also need the final Rooming and Name list. The full payment (BALANCE) must be wired to our below bank account;

**Our Bank in Turkey: FINANSBANK A.S. (USD Account)
FINANSBANK A.S.**

Swift Code: FNNBTRISIZM

Beneficiary's Name: Tutku Tours

Beneficiary's Account Number: 12382654

10 Days prior to departure:

You will receive all the travel documents and the Flight tickets of all tour participants. We hope you can deliver the flight tickets to tour members. We will meet you at Istanbul Airport.

Land Cancellation Penalty:

- 90-60 days prior to departure:	No Penalty
- 59-45 days prior to departure:	10%
- 44-30 days prior to departure:	25%
- 29-15 days prior to departure:	50%
- 14-7 days prior to departure:	75%
- 6 days & After	No refund

Air Cancellation Policy: We will be liable to Airlines standard rules for any name changes, dates changes or cancellations.

Travel Insurance:

Travel insurance may be given as a separate package at an extra cost. Travel Insurance agreement is contract between the traveller and the Insurance Company (American Express or other).

For Registration and Payment, please contact;

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REGISTRATION FORM*

Name as it appears on the passport (First, Middle, Last)

Name : _____

Title : _____ Preferred Name: _____

Mr. Mrs. Ms. Rev. Dr. If different than above

Street Address: _____

PO Box: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ / _____

Cell Phone: _____ / _____

Email Address: _____

Age: _____ Nationality: _____

Birth Date: ____ / ____ / ____ Passport Number: _____
Month/Day/Year

Passport Issue Date: ____ / ____ / ____ Exp. Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone Number : _____ / _____

PLEASE CHECK ITEMS BELOW AS APPROPRIATE:

_____ I WANT 1 TWIN ROOM

_____ I WANT 1 SINGLE ROOM

Name of Your Roommate (as on passport):

* Registration information can be emailed to info@tutkutours.com

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