Huntington University Alumni and Friends Holy Land Tour

OCTOBER 27 – NOVEMBER 7, 2015

Tour Hosts:

– Dr. Mark Fairchild, Ph.D.
  Professor of Bible & Religion

– Dr. Sherilyn Emberton
  Huntington University President

– Vincent Haupert
  Vice President for Advancement

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I invite you to join me and President Emberton on a tour of the Holy Lands — Israel and Turkey. Walk where Jesus walked and travel the roads that Paul traveled as he shared the Gospel with people throughout the Mediterranean World. This tour will describe the early Christian faith from its beginnings in Galilee, through our Lord’s final days in Jerusalem, culminating in his crucifixion and resurrection. Moreover, the tour will continue with the story of the early church as described in the Acts of the Apostles. In Turkey we will explore the churches where the apostle Paul wrote his epistles. The tour will be a union of Scripture with experience, where we not only discuss God’s Word, but also where we encounter God on the road.

Tour Itinerary:

Oct 27 Tue  Depart from Chicago O’Hare Airport – Fly to Istanbul Turkish Airlines TK 6 ORD–IST 22:15/*17:05 flight to Istanbul.

Oct 28 Wed  Arrive Istanbul at 17:05
We will arrive at Istanbul Airport at 17:05. Your tour guide will meet you with “HUNTINGTON UNIVERSITY” sign. Meet and transfer to our hotel in city center Istanbul, check–in to the hotel for late dinner and overnight. Overnight: Istanbul. (D)

Oct 29 Thu  Istanbul
Full day Istanbul tour; the Roman Hippodrome Square, Underground Cistern Basilica, Hagia 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. Afternoon visit to the Istanbul Archaeology Museum, and the Grand Bazaar. And then, take a leisurely Bosphorus Boat Tour seeing European and Asian shores of Istanbul. Dinner and overnight at the hotel in Old City Istanbul. (B,D)

Oct 30 Fri  Fly Izmir – Pergamum – Smyrna (Rev.1:11; 2:8) – Izmir
Transfer to Istanbul Airport for TK 2312 08:00/09:05 flight to Izmir. Departure for Pergamum (Rev. 1:11; 2:12). Visit the Acropolis with the steepest theater of the ancient world and the Temple of Trajan. Then, visit Asclepion, the ancient healing center. Return to Izmir for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

Nov 01 Sat  Smyrna Agora – Sardis – Hierapolis – Pamukkale
Visit Smyrna Agora in the morning. Drive to Sardis (Rev. 1:11; 2:1–4) capital of the ancient Lydia where first coin of the world is invented. See the remains of the early church. Continue to Hierapolis to visit the archaeological site. Dinner and overnight in Pamukkale. (B,D)

Visit the famous ancient city of Ephesus, and its Terrace Houses and the Cave Church of Paul and Thecla which is closed to public. Shopping opportunity before driving to the hotel. Dinner and overnight in Kusadasi. (B,D)
Nov 03 Tue Izmir Airport – Fly Tel Aviv (via Istanbul) – Nazareth – Sea of Galilee
Early transfer to Izmir Airport for TK 2311 09:00/10:05 flight to Istanbul + TK 786 12:40/14:45 flight to Tel Aviv. We arrive at Ben Gurion Airport at 14:45. Your tour guide will meet you with “HUNTINGTON UNIVERSITY” sign. Drive to see Caesarea, a little north of Tel Aviv, and then do an evening boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. Dinner and overnight: Nof Ginosar (B,D)

Nov 04 Wed Sea of Galilee – Jerusalem
First visit Capernaum, then Mt. Arbel overlook, then Chorazin and then head to Jerusalem. Dinner and overnight: Olive Tree hotel in Jerusalem. (B,D)

Nov 05 Thu Jerusalem
After breakfast, start Jerusalem Tour with the Pool of Siloam, then follow the underground street to the Western Wall, then do the Southern Archaeological Park, then the Temple Mount and finish with the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Dinner and overnight: Olive Tree hotel in Jerusalem. (B,D)

Nov 06 Fri Jerusalem
We begin with Mt. Olives and move down the mountain to Gethsemane and on to the Kidron tombs. Then we can go to St. Peter in Gallicantu, then the Citadel and finally finish at Herods family tomb (behind the King David Hotel). Dinner and overnight: Olive Tree hotel in Jerusalem. (B,D)

Nov 07 Sat Fly back to Chicago via Istanbul
Transfer to the Tel Aviv airport for TK 785 09:50/12:10 flight to Istanbul + TK 5 13:40/17:50 flight to Chicago.

$3,990 Per Person in Double
$890 Single Supplement

INCLUDING
• International roundtrip air fare: Chicago-Istanbul
• Istanbul-Izmir domestic flight
• Izmir-Istanbul domestic flight
• Istanbul-Tel Aviv flight
• Tel Aviv – Istanbul flight
• 2 Nights at Boutique Arcadia Blue Hotel in Old City Istanbul or similar
• 1 Night at 5 star Moevenpick Hotel in Izmir or similar
• 1 Night at 5 star Colossae Hotel in Pamukkale or similar
• 2 Nights at 5 star Doubletree Hilton Hotel in Kusadasi or similar
• 3 Nights at 4 star Olive Tree Hotel in Jerusalem or similar
• Daily breakfast at the hotels
• 10 Dinners at the hotels
• Sightseeing as per the itinerary
• Entrance fees to sites as per the above list
• Licensed Tour Guide during all tours
• Transportation in private air-conditioned tourist coach during tour
• Porters’ fees at hotels
• Tips to the hotel staff, tour guides and bus drivers
• Service charges and local taxes

EXCLUDING
• Turkish Visa to be obtained before arrival https://www.evisa.gov.tr/en/apply ($20 for US Citizens) Please print and carry the visa document when you arrive in Turkey. No visa is needed for Israel for US citizens. Citizens of all other countries are responsible to check their own visa regulations for travel.
• Health and Travel insurance, any type of personal expenses
• Lunches and drinks

FLIGHT SCHEDULE

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PAYMENT PROCEDURE:

Deposit: $200 per person deposit on June 15, 2015
Full Payment: on August 3, 2015
The payment will be made to TUTKU TOURS by using the below secure link (Visa or MC only): https://secure.tutkutours.com

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

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

Travel Insurance: Travel insurance may be purchased separately at an extra cost. Travel Insurance is a contract between the traveller and the Insurance Company (American Express, or other). To obtain your travel insurance, please call 1–800–TURKIYE and ask for Ms. Ayata, mention group code TUT 201501.

Turkish Visa: US and Canadian citizens can get the Turkish Visa online before arrival https://www.evisa.gov.tr/en/apply Citizens of ALL other countries are responsible for checking their own countries’ visa regulations for Greece and Turkey.

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