

*Journeys of Paul & John
and Seven Churches of Revelation
including a 3-night Aegean Cruise
April 21 - May 4, 2025
Hosted by Dr. Jim Cobban*



DAY 1, MON, APR 21**DEPART USA**

Depart USA on our overseas flight to Istanbul. (meals aloft)

DAY 2, TUE, APR 22**ARRIVE ISTANBUL**

Arrive to Istanbul and transfer to **Hotel Mukarnas Pera** (or similar) for dinner and overnight. (meals aloft)

DAY 3, WED, APR 23**ISTANBUL**

Today we tour Istanbul, visiting the spectacular Blue Mosque, the 17th century Ottoman Mosque famous for its six minarets. After leaving your shoes at the door, step inside to see the brightly-colored interior decorated with at least 20,000 shimmering blue Iznik tiles and stained-glass windows. We view the historical Hippodrome, where chariot races and athletic events took place during the Roman period. Then we visit the great Hagia Sophia, the headquarters church of the Byzantine empire and the largest building at that time, later converted into a mosque. In 1935, under the secular republic of Turkey, it reopened as a museum famous for its mosaics, and then in 2020 it was again reclassified as a mosque. We also spend some time this afternoon at the Istanbul Archaeology Museums. Then on to the Grand Bazaar, a market of over 3,000 tiny shops before dinner and overnight in Istanbul. (B,D)

DAY 4, THU, APR 24**NICEA/IZMIR**

Today we depart Istanbul and travel to Iznik, ancient Nicea, located in the northeast of Bursa on the side of Iznik Lake. Under Constantine I when Christianity became the state religion, Nicea became an important religious center where two ecumenical councils were held, in AD 325 and 787. The first one, under Constantine I, articulated the important confessional statements of Christian Orthodoxy regarding the Holy Trinity. The second Nicene Council focused on the use of saints, images, and icons. Following our time here we continue on to Izmir for dinner and overnight at **Hilton Garden Inn** (or similar). (B,D)

DAY 5, FRI, APR 25**PERGAMON/THYATIRA/IZMIR**

Our touring begins in Pergamon, the early Roman capital of the Roman province of Asia and today known as Bergama. Recipient of the apostle John's third letter in revelation, it was celebrated worldwide for its magnificent library with the 200,000 scrolls which Anthony presented to Cleopatra, for its parchment made of goatskin known as "Pergamum paper" used as a substitute for Egyptian papyrus, and for its Aesclepiion (with its symbolic entwined snakes), which was the most advanced medical center in the ancient world. The largest of all Hellenistic theatres stands here and the city's temples are remarkable for both their size and beauty. From here we continue to Thyatira, one of the Seven Churches of

Revelation as well as a major commercial center of ancient Asia Minor, from which Lydia a seller of purple came (Acts 16:14). We travel on to Izmir, biblical Smyrna, where we visit the ancient Agora and the Church of St. Polycarp, who was Smyrna's first bishop. From there we return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

DAY 6, SAT, APR 26**SARDIS/PHILADELPHIA/
HIERAPOLIS/PAMUKKALE**

Today we first visit Sardis, set upon a steep hill surrounded by an impregnable citadel and one of the most picturesque areas of the Seven Churches. We will visit its famous third-century Jewish synagogue, the largest synagogue ever excavated, with a seating capacity of a thousand persons. Other highlights include the Gymnasium, House of Bronzes, Temple of Artemis, and the ancient Church. We travel to Philadelphia, another of the seven churches of Revelation, and an important Christian center during Byzantine times. The modern town of Alasehir is built over ancient Philadelphia, although the ruins of a Byzantine basilica built of brick with a high arch and frescoes are still visible. The city was destroyed in AD 17 and 23 by earthquakes. We proceed to Hierapolis and see its well-preserved baths, the basilica (dating back to the 6th century AD), the Temple of Apollo, and the theater. Then we continue to Pamukkale, known as the "Cotton Castle" because of its fantastic calcium formations and pools of natural warm water for dinner and overnight at our hotel **Pam Thermal Hotel** (or similar). (B,D)

DAY 7, SUN, APR 27**COLOSSAE/APHRODISIAS/
LAODICEA/KUSADASI**

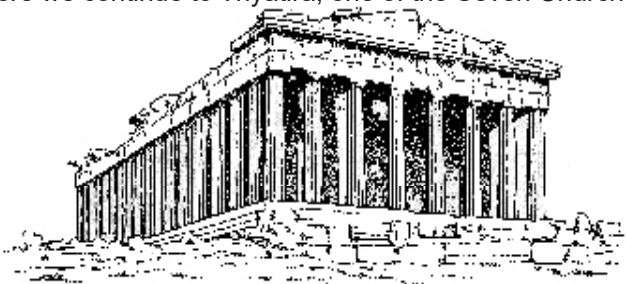
This morning we travel to Colossae, recipient of one of Paul's letters, and home to Philemon. We tour Aphrodisias, constructed to pay homage to Aphrodite, the goddess of love and fertility. One of the best preserved stadiums in the world is here. We then journey to Laodicea, where Mark, Timothy and Epaphras brought the Gospel and established the first church. In Revelation the church members were condemned for their "lukewarm attitude" toward Christianity. Highlights will be the Nymphaeum, the Amphitheater, and the Council Chamber. After our visit we proceed to Kusadasi for dinner and overnight at **Palmin Hotel** (or similar). (B,D)

DAY 8, MON, APR 28**EPHESUS/KUSADASI**

This morning we journey to Ephesus where Paul spent two years and which had become the capital city of the Roman Province of Asia by the time John wrote the Book of Revelation to the churches there. We walk through history in a city founded as early as the 10th century B.C. In the magnificent excavations we see streets lined with wonderful public buildings such as the Baths of Scholastica, the Library of Celsus, the Temple of Hadrian, the Basilica of St. John and the great Theatre where the Ephesians screamed against Paul (Acts 19:28). Following our full day here, we return to our hotel in Kusadasi for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

DAY 9, TUE, APR 29**KUSADASI/PATMOS**

This morning we board our cruise ship, the *Celestial Discovery*, at the port of Kusadasi for our three-day journey through the Aegean Sea to Athens. We arrive in the afternoon



The Parthenon, Athens

at the former Roman prison island of Patmos where John received his "Revelation." Here we visit the Grotto named for his book and the Monastery of St. John which houses ancient manuscripts including an early one of the Gospel. (B,L,D)

DAY 10, WED, APR 30

RHODES

Enjoy the day at leisure in Rhodes. The Colossus of Rhodes, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, once dominated the strategic harbor entrance. Later it served as a crucial outpost for the Crusaders in many of their ill-fated journeys to Israel during their conflicts with the Muslim conquerors. Wandering through the old city you can see its fortifications, the Street of the Knights with medieval stone mansions, the Palace of the Grand Master and the Hospital of the Knights (now a museum). There are also art shops as well as many lovely beaches. (B,L,D)

DAY 11, THU, MAY 1

HERAKLION/SANTORINI

The largest of the Greek islands, Heraklion (Crete) is well-known for its archaeological sites. You may wish to take an optional excursion to the Palace of Knossos, the residence of the ruling house and also an administrative and religious center for the whole region. The buildings (a labyrinth complex) covered an area of 22 square miles. The high standard of Minoan civilization 4000 years ago, displayed here through architecture, frescoes and the perfect plumbing system, surprise modern visitors. This afternoon we sail on to the island of Santorini, widely considered to be the lost continent of Atlantis. Off the entrance of the bay of Santorini there is the only active volcano in the Eastern Mediterranean. After you have strolled through the narrow streets you can enjoy the fascinating and marvelous sunset. (B,L,D)

DAY 12, FRI, MAY 2

PIRAEUS/ATHENS

We arrive in port this morning in Piraeus and journey to Athens. We visit the Acropolis with the Parthenon shimmering in its ageless grace and unmatched design and see the unique Erechtheion (the only double temple). Nearby we climb the Areopagus (Mars Hill), where Paul addressed the philosophic court about Jesus and the resurrection (Acts 17:22-34). Our full day of touring also features a visit to the National Archaeological Museum, as well as a panoramic tour including Embassy Row, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the National Palace, the House of Parliament, and the University. After our tour, we check into our hotel, the **Athens Avenue** (or similar), for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

DAY 13, SAT, MAY 3

CORINTH/MYCENAE

In the morning we drive along the spectacular Greek coastline into the Peloponnesus. We stop at the Corinth Canal, a remarkable engineering feat connecting the waters of two seas before continuing to Corinth, Paul's beloved city and site of his most extensive ministry. Dominated by the Acro-corinth rising 1700 feet above the ruins, the marketplace is laid out exactly as it stood in the days of the great Apostle. To the side is the impressive Doric Temple of Apollo. The point of central interest for Christians is the bema (the judgment seat) where Paul stood before Gallio and preached (Acts 18). We see the synagogue where Paul preached, and the house of Justus next door. This afternoon we travel to Mycenae, Greece's

most important archaeological site where the underground beehive royal tombs and the famous Lion Gate are located. Return to Athens for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

DAY 14, SUN, MAY 4

ATHENS/USA

We transfer to the airport this morning for our transatlantic flight back to the US. (B,meals aloft)

All sites listed in the itinerary will be covered but the sequence and days may be altered to adjust to religious holidays, special closings of sites, air schedules, etc. Hotels listed subject to confirmation. This tour is not recommended for those who have mobility limitations since it includes significant amounts of rigorous walking on uneven terrain. If a passenger is unable to get on and off the bus and walk without the assistance of another individual, the passenger must bring someone with them to assist them. Please note that the Americans With Disabilities Act is not applicable outside the USA and facilities in other countries may be sharply limited.

TOUR CONDITIONS

PRICE OF 14-DAY TOUR:

\$6,899 from Louisville

(per person, double occupancy

based on standard interior cruise cabin)

***Pay deposit by check or e-check and receive**

\$50 off tour cost at final payment.

NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE RATE: Supplement in air fare for departure from cities other than Louisville. Any cruise fuel surcharge; optional shore excursions; cruise cabin upgrades; any fee imposed by the airline to reserve seat assignments; single room/cabin supplement (\$1,999 for land and cruise, based on interior cabin on cruise); meals not listed as being included; excess baggage and forwarding of baggage, passports, personal items such as laundry, tips for personal favors, Travel Protection Plan, any costs resulting from absence or deviation from the itinerary and any items not shown herein as being included.

TOUR DOCUMENTS AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS: The name on your air ticket must exactly match your name as it appears on your passport. Please forward a copy of the photo/informational page of your passport when enrolling on the tour. If applying for a new or renewed passport, send the copy as soon as you receive your new passport. Passports must be valid at least 6 months PAST return date of travel. US citizens do not need a visa for travel to Greece or Turkey. If traveling on a passport from a country that requires a visa to enter either country, any additional fees are your responsibility.

PAYMENT: Payment can be made by cash, check or credit card (Discover, MasterCard or Visa). A deposit of \$1,000 per person is required at least 120 days prior to departure in order to confirm tour membership. Within 120 days, space may be limited and/or a supplement in airfare may apply. Balance of tour price is due upon receipt of final invoice (approximately 10-12 weeks prior to departure). **Enrollment in and payment of deposit constitutes your acceptance of the Tour Conditions described herein.**

DEVIATION ITINERARY: Any adjustment in standardized air or land itinerary will carry a \$100 fee (for each change) in addition to any additional expense required. This fee is applicable for research projected and/or accepted. **To ensure efficient handling of these requests, Dehoney Travel, Inc. will require that a tour deposit be received before a deviation request can be processed.** If deviating from the group tour program, there will be no refund for any service not used. **Deviation requests must be submitted in**

writing to air@dehoneytravel.com. Deviation requests received within 120 days of departure may incur additional change fees from the airline and/or land provider.

AIR TRANSPORTATION: IATA Economy class, applicable on United Airlines or other IATA carrier. **Supplement will apply for departure from cities other than Louisville.** Current U.S. securities, customs and departure tax, fuel surcharge and foreign departure taxes are included in the tour rate and are subject to change prior to departure.

SEAT REQUESTS AND AIR UPGRADES: Airlines differ in their handling of seat assignments for groups. In most cases, seats are not assigned until about 3 weeks prior to departure, and occasionally seat assignments are not available until airport check-in on the day of departure. Tour price does not include any fees that may be required by the airline to secure a reserved seat assignment. **Please note that specific air seat requests will be forwarded to the airline on your behalf but are subject to final approval/confirmation by the airline.** Seat requests must be submitted in writing to air@dehoneytravel.com. **Group tickets are not upgradeable.** If you wish to upgrade, your air ticket must be issued separately, which requires full payment of the ticket cost at the time the ticket is issued. **Once issued, the ticket is non-refundable and any fees resulting from changes or cancellation are at the traveler's own expense.**

HOTELS/SHIP: Tour price based on two persons in a room in twin-bedded accommodations with private bath in first-class/four-star hotels, and **standard interior cabins on cruise.** **Port charges of approximately \$200 are included in the tour rate.** While Dehoney Travel will try to match roommates, we cannot guarantee that a roommate will be available. In this case, the payment of single supplement will be required. When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. **Single supplement, \$1,999 for land and cruise, based on interior cabin on cruise.** Cabin upgrades may be available on the cruise as follows: Category XA oceanview cabin with porthole window, \$265 per person double or \$500 single. Category XB oceanview cabin with picture window, \$350 per person double or \$680 single. Category XC oceanview cabin with picture window on higher deck, \$450 per person double or \$850 single. Category BA balcony cabin, \$960 per person double or \$2,099 single.

MEALS AND SIGHTSEEING: As listed in the day by day itinerary (B, breakfast; L, lunch; D, dinner); breakfast and dinner daily, plus lunches on board ship. Full sightseeing with luxury buses, English-speaking guides, and entrance fees to places visited as described in the itinerary are included in the tour. **Gratuities to guides, bus drivers and hotel/ship personnel (\$200) are included in the tour rate and will be distributed on your behalf as you travel.**

LUGGAGE: Because of space limitations on buses used, we have included portage for only one check-on bag (combination width, length, and height not to exceed 62 inches and maximum weight of 50 pounds) in tour cost. You may also take one carry-on which will fit under your airline seat or in the overhead compartment.

DELAYS, CANCELLATION AND REFUND: Dehoney Travel, Inc. is not responsible for changes and delays in airline schedules and cannot reimburse passengers for expenses resulting from delays, re-issuance of air tickets, etc. Should you cancel, there will be a fee of \$100 for Dehoney Travel, Inc. to cover administrative costs. In addition, the following scale of charges will apply (per person) when notice of cancellation is given in writing after the booking is confirmed:

- Up to 126 days prior to departure, \$100.
- 125-96 days prior to departure, \$500.
- 95-81 days prior to departure, \$1000.
- 80-66 days prior to departure, 50% of total tour price.
- 65-0 days, 100% cancellation penalty.

On or after the date of departure there can be no refund for any service not used.

All cancellation notifications must be made in writing to Dehoney Travel, Inc. Please allow 4 weeks for cancellation refund processing. After ticketing of international and domestic air, a cancellation penalty of 100% of air fare is in effect. Group tickets are normally issued

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TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN: Many U.S. health carriers do not provide benefits while outside the country and cancellation penalties can be substantial for many tours. Therefore, Dehoney Travel, Inc. offers a Travel Protection Plan, OneTrip Prime, through Allianz Travel. **The Option to Waive Pre-existing Condition Exclusion requires purchase of Travel Protection within 14 days of the date on your tour deposit check or your credit card tour deposit being processed at Dehoney Travel. You may decline the Travel Protection Plan, but a signed disclaimer is required and all charges for cancellation or medical treatment/transport while traveling are your responsibility.**

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Please fill in completely. Use full legal name as on passport (include middle initial or name if it appears)

Title: Dr./Rev./Mr./Mrs./Ms./Miss Full Legal Name(s) (as on passport)

1. _____

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Home Address _____

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State _____ Zip _____

Mailing Address (if other than above) _____

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Home _____ Work _____

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☐ **YES, please use email as primary means of communication.**

Arrange round trip air transportation from _____

Choice of roommate _____

☐ Please match me with a roommate (if available)

☐ I prefer a single room (supplement \$1,999).

Optional cabin upgrades:

- ☐ XA oceanview cabin/porthole (\$265pp double; \$500 single)
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- ☐ XC higher deck oceanview cabin/picture window (\$450pp dbl; \$850 sgl)
- ☐ BA balcony cabin (\$960pp dbl; \$2,099 sgl)

Nametag Names 1. _____

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Allianz Travel Protection

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OR

2. ☐ I would like to decline the optional insurance coverage.

Signature _____

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1. Passport Number _____ Exp. Date _____

Nationality on Passport _____ ☐ Male ☐ Female

Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Place of Birth (State/Country) _____

2. Passport Number _____ Exp. Date _____

Nationality on Passport _____ ☐ Male ☐ Female

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The name on your air ticket must exactly match your name as it appears on your passport. Passport must be valid at least 6-months PAST return date of travel. Please forward a copy of the photo/informational page of your passport to Dehoney Travel by mail or email when enrolling on the tour. If applying for a new or renewed passport, send the copy as soon as you receive your new passport

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Please process my/our \$ _____ deposit (\$1,000 per person)

***Pay deposit by check or e-check and receive \$50 off tour cost at final payment.**

☐ enclosed check

OR ☐ process my e-check:

Name on account _____

Address of account holder _____

Routing Number _____

Account Number _____

OR ☐ charge to my credit card:

☐ Discover ☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa ☐ AMEX

Card # _____

Security Code _____ Exp. Date _____

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Signature _____

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