# 12-Day Soul Journ To Western Europe September 5 - 16, 2023 with Leslie Hollon, Ph.D. & Vicki Hollon, D. Min.







You are invited to join us on a dynamic and soulful 12-day adventure while traveling through some of the most beautiful and historic regions of Western Europe. Join us for this experience designed to inspire and feed your soul with wonder, reflection, prayer, renewal, song, and sacred fun!

Exclusive tour includes breakfast daily, five dinners, and all private excursions.

#### DAY 1, TUE, SEP 5

#### **DEPART USA**

Today we depart from the USA on our overnight journey to Amsterdam. (meals aloft)

### DAY 2, WED, SEP 6 AMSTERDAM

Upon arrival we are met by our tour manager and local coach and are transferred to the **Movenpick Hotel Amsterdam City Centre**. We have the remainder of the day free to enjoy the beautiful city known as the "Venice of the North." This evening we have a welcome dinner at a local restaurant before returning to our hotel for overnight. (meals aloft,D)

#### DAY 3, THU, SEP 7 AMSTERDAM

Following breakfast this morning we begin our day at Amsterdam's Grand Canal and Dam Square. We continue to The Anne Frank House, a writer's house and biographical museum where Anne Frank hid from Nazi persecution with her family and others in hidden rooms of the building. Following our time here, we visit the Ten Boom Museum which is dedicated to The Hiding Place by Corrie ten Boom, whose family ran a watch shop and provided safe harbor for Jews and other underground refugees during the Nazi occupation. Next we visit the Rijksmuseum. The national museum of the Netherlands, this museum is dedicated to Dutch arts and history and displays 8,000 objects from their total collection of 1 million objects spanning 800 years of Dutch history - including Rembrandt, Frans Hals, and Johannes Vermeer. The remainder of the evening is at leisure with dinner on our own tonight. (B)

#### DAY 4, FRI, SEP 8 AMSTERDAM/DELFT

We transfer this morning to The Hague, known as the International City of Peace and Justice and home of the International Court of Justice. Here we have a panoramic city tour and visit the Peace Palace visitor's centre. Then we continue to Delft, home of the Royal Delft pottery. Here we visit the famous 17th-century earthenware factory, which is still in operation today. We then have some time at leisure to explore the city on our own before returning to our hotel in Amsterdam for overnight.

## DAY 5, SAT, SEP 9 AMSTERDAM/KINDERDIJK/ OTTERLO/MAASTRICHT

We begin today in the village of Kinderdijk with it's iconic 18th-century windmills. The windmills, along with three pumping stations, plus dikes and reservoirs that control flooding in the polder (low-lying land), were declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1997. We have the opportunity to get a closer look at and tour along the path of the windmills by boat before transferring to Otterlo. Here we visit De Hoge Veluwe

National Park and the Kroller-Muller Museum, which has the world's second largest collection of Vincent van Gogh paintings. Following our time here, we depart for Maastricht - a university city, it is distinguished by its medieval-era architecture and is bisected by the Maas River. We check into **Hotel Derlon** with dinner at a local restaurant. (B,D)

#### DAY 6, SUN, SEP 10 MAASTRICHT/AACHEN

Following breakfast we depart for Aachen where we have a panoramic city tour including a visit to Aachen Cathedral. One of the oldest cathedrals in Europe, it was constructed by the order of Charlemagne. The cathedral was one of the first 12 items to be listed on the UNESCO list of World Heritage sites on account of its exceptional artistry, architecture, and importance in the history of the Holy Roman Empire. This afternoon we return to Maastricht with the remainder of the day at leisure. You may choose to view Helpoort, or Hells Gate - built around 1230, it is part of the original city wall and the oldest remaining city gate. Perhaps also take time to visit Boekhandel Dominicanen, a book and coffee shop which was once a 13th century Dominican Church. Dinner is on your own this evening. (B)

#### DAY 7, MON, SEP 11 MAASTRICHT/STRASBOURG

Following breakfast we check out of our hotel and cross the border into France, continuing to Strasbourg. One of the de facto four main capitals of the European Union, Strasbourg is a city rich with culture and architecture - blending German and French influences, its Gothic Cathedral Notre-Dame features daily shows from its astronomical clock. We have a boat tour of the city, cruising on the Rhine River, before checking into **Hotel Boma.** Dinner is included tonight at a local restaurant. (B,D)

#### DAY 8, TUE, SEP 12 STRASBOURG/INTERLAKEN

This morning we check out of our hotel after breakfast and cross the border into Switzerland. There we have a scenic boat tour on Lake Brienz. We disembark in Brienz - a village full of 18th-century wooden chalets and dotted with sculptures which are testimonials to the village's woodcarving tradition. We continue by motorcoach to Interlaken, a resort town built on a narrow stretch of valley between Lake Thun and Lake Brienz. We check into **Hotel St. George's** with dinner included tonight at *The Grand Cafe Restaurant Schuh*. (B,D)

#### DAY9, WED, SEP13 INTERLAKEN/JUNGFRAUJOCH

Following breakfast this morning, we walk to the nearby train station and board the train for an excursion to Jungfraujoch with a change at Grindelwald. Known as the "Top of Europe," we have a full day to explore

Jungfraujoch, a glacier saddle connecting two major mountains that exceed 4,000 feet in elevation. After exploring the top of Europe, we return via train to Interlaken with the reminder of the day at leisure and dinner on our own. (B)

## DAY 10, THU, SEP 14 INTERLAKEN/ ZERMATT/GENEVA

We begin this morning by boarding the train for our journey to Zermatt. There we board a cable car to Kleine Matterhorn - the peak of the Pennine Alps which overlooks Zermatt. At 3,883 meters above sea level, it is the highest place in Europe that can be reached by aerial tramway or gondola. We visit the Glacier Paradise, the highest viewing platform in the Alps with a 360-degree view, allowing us to see 38 incredible four-thousand-meter peaks and 14 glaciers. Following our time here, we transfer to Geneva and check into our hotel, the **Novotel Centre Geneva**, with dinner on our own tonight.

#### DAY 11, FRI, SEP 15 GENEVA

After breakfast this morning, we begin exploring the beautiful city of Geneva. Surrounded by the Alps and Jura mountains, with views of Mont Blanc, Geneva lies at the southern tip of Lake Geneva. We take a short walk to Lake Geneva where we board our boat for a scenic Castle Cruise. Following our cruise, we have the afternoon at leisure to explore on our own. A farewell dinner is included tonight at a local restaurant, after which we have the evening free to finish packing for our morning flight. (B,D)

#### DAY 12, SAT, SEP 16 GENEVA/USA

We check out of our hotel this morning and transfer to the Geneva airport for our departure flight. We arrive in the US later today and continue to our hometown.

(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**

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\$6,299 per person, double occupancy

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TOUR DOCUMENTS AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS: The name on your air ticket <u>must exactly match</u> 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. US citizens do not need a visa for travel to The Netherlands, France, or Switzerland. If traveling on a passport from a country that requires a visa to enter these countries, obtaining your visa and paying any additional fees are your responsibility. Passport must be valid at least <u>six months</u> beyond the return date of your trip. Note that travel requirements and policies related to COVID-19 continue to evolve. Updated information will be provided to you closer to departure.

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