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# HOURISHING HAWAII: A PRAYER SPA PILRIMAGE

FEBRUARY 3-9, 2022

- INTIMATE WOMEN'S GROUP OF 10 PILGRIMS
- MORNING & EVENING READINGS, TALKS, PRAYERS
- TRAVEL AND LEARN WITH FREDERICA MATHEWES-GREEN
- WATERCOLOR TRAVEL SKETCHING WITH HELEN STINMAN
- DAILY GENTLE CLASSICAL STRETCHING PRACTICE

NOURISH YOUR MIND, BODY AND SOUL ... AS OUR SMALL GROUP TRAVELS TOGETHER AT A RELAXED PACE, SHARING NEW DISCOVERIES, THERAPEUTIC TREATMENTS, AND DAILY GUIDED GROUP SESSIONS OF ORTHODOX PRAYER

dwell together in our private beach house and garden soak in the beauty of god's tropical landscape



our beach on oahu's north shore



sharing contemplative time together



our private beach house and garden

TAKE THE HEALING WATERS AND SPA TREATMENTS EXPLORE ART, MOVEMENT, AND THE LOCAL TROPICAL ENVIRONMENT VENERATE THE MYRRH-STREAMING IVERON ICON



watercolor journaling



natural spa treatments



essentrics stretching



myrrh-streaming iveron icon

EXPERIENCE & TIME SET APART FOR PRAYER, CONNECTION AND RETREAT IN OUR QUIET CORNER OF THE ISLAND OF OAHU

#### NOURISHING HAWAII ... A PRAYER SPA PILGRIMAGE

nourish your mind, body and soul on this **s-l-o-w**, intimate, women's retreat to hawaii. we will treat our minds to new discoveries, our bodies to gentle therapies, and our souls to holy encounters.

### DAILY PRACTICE

delight in this time set apart ... as we establish new habits to nourish our mind, body and soul on this pilgrimage to a secluded tropical estate. join together with a small group of fellow pilgrims for meals, spa treatments, excursions, and morning and evening gatherings centered around eastern orthodox prayer.

morning gathering: selected reading from *prayer spa: ancient treatments for the modern soul* orthodox morning prayers combined with simple movement prayers of stillness gentle guided stretching

evening gathering: spiritual talk by frederica mathewes-green beginner's watercolor journaling session with instructor, helen stinman selected reading from the church mothers and fathers orthodox evening prayers

our meals will be delicious and healthy, using recipes from dr. miles hassell's 'good food - great medicine' lifestyle cookbook.

you may select your own breakfast and beverages from our stocked kitchen, before or after the morning gathering.

a tasty and healthy lunch will be prepared for you by jennifer and helen at the estate, with tropical fruit, inventive salads, and locally sourced ingredients when possible. spend the late morning/early afternoon in the whirlpool, on the beach, in your room, and in our shared living spaces.

most afternoons an optional planned excursion will be offered. then share a fresh and delicious dinner, savory vegetables, and interesting condiments, which participants will prepare in alternating teams working together with one another, most nights in our shared kitchen (sipping wine of course!)

we may take an evening stroll along the sea, then retire, having nourished our minds, bodies and souls each day on this life-changing pilgrimage to hawaii.

#### ITINERARY

morning and evening gatherings each day, beginning at 9 am and 4 pm, meals at the estate unless noted.

- day I thurs, feb 3: arrive, settle in, enjoy the whirlpool and beach, rest ...
- day 2 fri, feb 4: individual therapeutic massages given at our plantation estate
- day 3 sat, feb 5: afternoon trip to ho'omaluhia botanical garden for our watercolor journaling session
- day 4 sun, feb 6: liturgy/veneration of myrrh-streaming icon at iveron russian orthodox church\*, farmer's market
- day 5 mon, feb 7: natural spa treatment, lunch out, and optional snorkeling at newly renovated turtle bay resort
- day 6 tues, feb 8: easy paved hike to stunning views at maka pu'u lighthouse, farewell dinner at local restaurant
- day 7 wed, feb 9: potential shopping in honolulu, return home or continue on your own
  - \* at this time, the iveron icon does not have plans to travel away from oahu in early february, but may be subject to change

once in hawaii, you will receive a small gift each day, to help build a traveling kit of tools for art and prayer. we will also work together each day to memorize a few holy words and learn a hawaiian prayer ... *mind*, body and soul!

#### **ACCOMODATIONS**

escape to our own private, hawaiian beach house paradise! the house is a six bedroom, four bath, two story home on an acre beach lot with an outdoor jacuzzi overlooking the ocean in a fenced compound. there is a full kitchen on each floor, a massage deck and a hammock hidden in the trees just yards away from the beach. there are outdoor covered areas for dining and gathering, and wraparound decks for ruminating. the house is a quiet, upscale property which is popular with local artists, writers, etc, on the pristine north shore, located on one of the most beautiful protected bays in the islands.

#### SPA TREATMENTS

you will receive an individual therapeutic massage from a local female therapist right at our plantation estate, along with free access to our private whirlpool, tennis court and mineral-rich ocean swimming.

additionally, each guest will receive a voucher for your choice of luxury spa treatments at the renovated turtle bay resort, in the spirit of ancient hawaii: coconut lava shell massage ... ginger coconut sugar glow body scrub ... or orchid stem cell renewal facial.

gentle guided stretching practice, 'essentrics classical stretch' will follow our morning prayers to honor the muscles, ligaments and fascia we have been gifted.

#### TRAVEL.

participants provide their own airfare. recommended nonstop flights from portland to honolulu (as of 29 june, 2021, expedia): hawaiian airlines #25/#26 return,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  -6 hours, from \$550-600 alaska airlines #889/#834 return,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  -6 hours, from \$550-600 jennifer and helen will be minibus drivers for daily excursions and rides to and from the airport.

### ADVANCE PREPARATION

read: 'prayer spa: ancient treatments for the modern soul', by jennifer anna rich read: 'the jesus prayer: the ancient desert prayer that tunes the heart to God', by frederica mathewes-green (among other titles) view and practice: 'essentrics: classical stretch/aging backwards,' sessions available on pbs or at essentrics.com

#### RESERVE

double room with shared twin or king bed \$3,350

open to all women, regardless of religious affiliation, who wish to participate in orthodox christian prayer gatherings. space is limited to 7 retreatants - first come, first served.

purchase of (cfar) travel insurance highly recommended within 14 days of deposit.

you can purchase 'cancel for any reason' (cfar) insurance from john hancock or other insurance companies within 14 days of first deposit, for an additional fee, to mitigate against disruptions from covid and other unexpected events. please confirm this with insurer at time of purchase. i am not an expert in travel insurance.

payment: \$1,500 non-refundable deposit (required by insurance) due with application.

final payment due november 1, 2021 for hawaii retreat.

100% refund of final payment available (less deposit) if you cancel 65 days before departure.

100% refund of deposit + final payment available if the trip cancels by december I, for lack of participants.

NOTE: as of september, 2021, oahu patrons must show proof of full vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test result taken within the previous 48 hours in order to enter an indoor or outdoor establishment, although covid restrictions may change in the future. our prayer spa pilgrimage will be dependent on these unpredictable conditions. hopefully, all will be open wide by february 2022!

RETURN HOME REFRESHED AND INSPIRED WITH A KEEPSAKE COLLECTION OF SKETCHES, NOTES FROM FREDERICA'S TALKS, MEMORIES OF HOLY ENCOUNTERS, AND PERSONAL MUSINGS ALONG THE WAY.



# $1\ \omega \varepsilon \varepsilon \kappa;\ \mathsf{February}\ 3\text{-9},2022$ at a Luxurious private home on oahu's north shore

includes comfortable lodging, meals, group prayer gatherings, spa treatments, classical stretching sessions, events noted on itinerary, sketchbook supplies and instruction

travel with beloved author, frederica mathewes-green tour leader is jennifer anna rich, author of *prayer spa: ancient treatments for the modern soul* co-leader is helen stinman, watercolor artist and registered nurse

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INFO & APPLICATION AVAILABLE: JENNIFERANNARICH.COM

## BENEFITS OF THE PRAYER SPA PILGRIMAGE

MIND: discover new places and ideas, learn to count to ten and say a prayer in hawaiian. memorize holy words together through repetition, learn watercolor travel sketching techniques, mingle and discuss with new friends and frederica, and learn from her daily talks.

BODY: immerse yourself in our therapeutic whirlpool, swim in the pacific ocean, receive relaxing natural spa treatments, incorporate simple movements into your daily prayer routine, stretch your muscles with gentle exercises together, walk along the beach at sunset.

SOUL: gather together for the time-honored prayers of the eastern orthodox christian faith, as we engage our minds, bodies and souls. we will approach God through stillness, contemplative and spoken prayers, while we form a collective habit of praying the hours and remembering God throughout the day.