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JOURNEYS OF PAUL IN GREECE

with Dr. Mark Ziese
April 21 - May 1, 2023



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Dr. Ziese retired as Dean of the School of Bible and Theology at Johnson University. He continues to teach as an adjunct professor with Johnson and serves as a field instructor with the Jerusalem Center for Biblical Studies. Mark's passion is exploring connections between the biblical story and its archaeological context. He has traveled, excavated, and presented widely in the Mediterranean basin since 1984. Meet him at www.markziese.com.



ITINERARY

April 21 – Depart USA

Your pilgrimage begins as you depart the USA on your international overnight flight.

April 22 – Arrive in GREECE

You will arrive in Thessaloniki, Greece, where you will be met by our representative and transferred to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

April 23 – AMPHIPOLIS, PHILIPPI, and NEAPOLI (KAVALA)

Follow in the footsteps of Paul and Silas to Amphipolis and explore the ruins of the many Christian basilicas there. In Philippi is a baptismal site commemorating where God opened the heart of Lydia (a seller of purple from Thyatira) to hear the words of Paul (Acts 16:13-15). Lydia and her household were the first Christian converts baptized on European soil. View the Roman-era crypt thought to have served as a prison for the apostle Paul, and explore Philippi's famous acropolis, marketplace, the Basilica of Paul, and theater. Today's last stop is Neapolis (Kavala), one of Greece's most picturesque mainland ports, where Paul landed with his disciples, Timothy and Silas. See the Roman Aqueduct and Acropolis before returning to Thessaloniki for dinner and overnight.

April 24 – THESSALONIKI and VERIA (BEREA)

Discover Thessaloniki, where Paul was accused of turning the world upside down with his preaching of Christ (Acts 17: 3-6). As you explore St. George's Basilica, believed to be built over the synagogue where Paul preached, reflect on the two epistles the apostle Paul wrote to the Thessalonian church here. Stroll through the Archaeological Museum and the beautiful basilicas of St. Sophia and St. Demetrios, dedicated to a distinguished Roman proconsul martyred for his Christian faith. Along the Via Egnatia stands the Galerius Arch. Here, you can look out over the second largest city in Greece from the Old City Ramparts, some dating back to Roman times. Follow the path of Paul when he fled Thessaloniki for the safety of Veria (Berea), where Jews and some honorable Greeks accepted the new faith (Act 17: 10-12). Continue on to Kalambaka for dinner and overnight.

April 25 – METEORA and DELPHI

As you visit the rock forest of Meteora ("in the heavens above") in western Thessaly, imagine the apostle Paul walking that treacherous terrain on his missionary journey. Gaze up at the breathtaking Byzantine monasteries spectacularly perched on soaring, sheer-sided grey sandstone pillars. In the 13th century, monks sought refuge in cliff-side caves before fleeing higher to build the original wooden shelters that later became these monasteries. After a monastery tour, travel to scenic Delphi, religious center of the ancient Greek world and marked by the conical stone called the omphalos ("navel"). Walk the Sacra Via to the Athenian Treasury, Theatre and the Temple of Apollo, where the oracle performed her prophetic rituals. As you consider the incredible amount of pagan influence just in Delphi alone, you will gain a new appreciation for the tremendous spiritual opposition the apostle Paul faced in preaching the Gospel of Christ here. In the Museum are many ancient treasures, including the fifth century bronzed charioteer, so detailed you can see his eyelashes. Continue to Athens for overnight.

April 26 – CORINTH and CENCHREAE

Tour the city of Corinth, where the apostle Paul met fellow tentmakers Aquilla and Priscilla and received a vision from the Lord saying, "I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city" (Acts 18: 10). As Paul spoke, Crispus (chief ruler of the synagogue) and many others believed and were baptized (Acts 18:8), establishing the church at Corinth to whom Paul later wrote his two epistles. Discover the Archaeological Museum, marketplace and temples. As you walk among the ruins, stand on the Bema, where the

apostle Paul stood before Gallio to face charges brought against him by the Jews. Stop briefly at the port town of Cenchreae from which Paul later departed for Syria (Acts 18: 12 -18). Return to Athens for dinner and overnight.

April 27 – MYCENAE & EPIDAUROS

From here, continue to the Greek archaeological site of Mycenae. In the second millennium BC, Mycenae was a major center of Greek civilization. Here, take time to look upon the impressive Lion Gate. Even headless, the lions convey a sense of the power and majesty that was Mycenae. Continue up to the citadel to Grave Circle A, a cemetery of royal tombs that dates from 16th century BC. Finish your day at the ancient city of Epidauros. The theatre at Epidauros is the best preserved example of a classical Greek amphitheater in the Mediterranean. The theatre can hold 14,000 people, and it has been said that you can ‘hear a pin drop,’ in the center of the theatre stage from the top row. Return to your hotel in Nauplion this evening for dinner and overnight.

April 28 – SPARTA & MYSTRAS

Start your day with a visit to Sparta. Stop at the ruins north of the modern city to see remains of the once powerful city-state. Continue on to nearby Mystras, a center of Byzantine culture and art. In the 1200’s, it was the site of the Latin Principality of Achaea after the conquest of Constantinople in the Fourth Crusade. When the Latins ceded the city back to the Byzantine Empire, it grew to become the second most important city in the empire, and the palace here was the second residence of the emperors. Frescos at the Peribleptos Church date to the 1300’s and are a rare example of late Byzantine art. Check into your hotel in Olympia for dinner and overnight.

April 29 – OLYMPIA

Walk the streets of ancient Olympia, site of Olympic Games in ancient times (the Pythian Games held in Delphi were comparable in importance). The Olympic Flame is ignited here and transported to the site of the next modern games. The remains of the game sites and city can be viewed here. The ivory and gold statue of Zeus crafted by the sculptor Pheidias stood here in ancient times and was one of the ancient Seven Wonders. Return to Athens for dinner and overnight.

April 30 – ATHENS

Enjoy the rich architectural splendor of the ancient city of Athens as your guide introduces you to the world-renowned Acropolis, the Propylaea, the Parthenon and the Erectheum. Stand on Mars Hill as the apostle Paul did when he proclaimed, “I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you” (Acts 17:23). As you stroll the agora, the ancient marketplace and center of Athenian public life, recall that this was where the Apostle Paul preached “Jesus and the resurrection” (Acts 17:18) to the skeptical Athenians. Also, see the House of Parliament, the Presidential Palace, and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. This afternoon is free to explore Athens on your own or enjoy an optional journey to Sounion to visit the famous Temple of Poseidon (additional \$75). Dinner and overnight is spent in Athens.

May 1 – RETURN TO USA

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Host: **Dr. Mark Ziese** ID#: **55672** Tour: **PA23**
Departure City: _____ Departure Date: **04/21/23 (Z)**

First, Middle & Last Name must be submitted as it appears on your passport:

Guest 1: First Name: _____ (Preferred Name) _____
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Roommate(s): _____

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Important Information Regarding Travel Protection Plan:	Guest 1:
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By signing and submitting the registration form, I/we certify that I/we have read Passenger Agreement, Program Conditions, and Statements of Responsibility of the brochure, understand its content, and agree to its terms including but not limited to the potential for price increases that may apply before payment in full has been received as set forth in the Program Conditions and Statements of Responsibility of the brochure and potential price increases after payment in full has been received due to government imposed taxes and fees.

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Travel Protection Plan - Premium Rates

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Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost
\$ 0 to \$1000	\$ 99	\$2501 to \$3000	\$299	\$4501 to \$5000	\$499	\$6501 to \$7000	\$699
\$1001 to \$1500	\$149	\$3001 to \$3500	\$349	\$5001 to \$5500	\$549	\$7001 to \$8000	\$799
\$1501 to \$2000	\$199	\$3501 to \$4000	\$399	\$5501 to \$6000	\$599	\$8001 to \$9000	\$899
\$2001 to \$2500	\$249	\$4001 to \$4500	\$449	\$6001 to \$6500	\$649	\$9001 to \$10,000	\$999

Schedule of Coverages	Maximum Benefit	Additional Cancellation Protection
Part A		
Trip Cancellation	Trip Cost	When You purchase this Travel Protection Plan at or before the final payment due date for Your Trip, you also receive the Educational Opportunities Tours Pre-Departure Cancellation Waiver Benefit that allows you to cancel your Educational Opportunities Tours travel arrangements up to the day of departure for any reason (excludes no shows and those not permitted boarding). With this Educational Opportunities Tours Cancellation Waiver, your non-refundable land cancellation penalties will be refunded in Educational Opportunities Tours travel certificates. Certain travel programs are not eligible for this benefit, such as cruise and land programs listed and detailed on the Educational Opportunities website (www.eo.travel). Premiums must be paid in addition to initial or second deposit prior to the final payment for coverage to be in effect.
Part B		
Trip Interruption	Trip Cost	
Missed Connection	\$500	
Travel Delay (Up to \$100 Per Day)	\$500	
Medical Expense / Emergency Evacuation		
Accident and Sickness Medical Expense	\$25,000	
Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation	\$50,000	
Accidental Death & Dismemberment	\$25,000	
Baggage and Personal Effects	\$1,000	
Baggage Delay	\$100	

Part A - Travel Arrangement Benefits are provided by Educational Opportunities Tours. **Part B** - Travel Protection Benefits are provided by United States Fire Insurance Co. For New York Residents Only; Part A Benefits are travel arrangement benefits underwritten by United States Insurance Company.

Conditions and Limitations

This is a brief description of the plan available for all Travel Protection sales for Trips departing January 1, 2013 and after. Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the Certificate of Coverage. For example, coverage does not apply to: any Sickness or condition of you, a Traveling Companion or a Family Member traveling with you that existed during the 60 days prior to the effective date of the coverages (The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion is waived if payment for this plan is received by Educational Opportunities Tours, Inc. at or before the final payment due date for Your Trip or 105 days before departure date, whichever occurs first), suicide, normal pregnancy, war or any act of war. Other Covered Reasons, as defined, includes the following events or their consequences: Cancellation or Interruption of your Trip due to: Inclement Weather, unannounced Strike, mechanical breakdown that causes complete cessation of services of Your Common Carrier for at least 12 consecutive hours; a documented traffic accident while en route to departure; being hijacked or quarantined; jury duty; destruction of your home or destination by fire, flood, burglary or natural disaster; being called to the emergency service of government to provide aid or relief in the event of a natural disaster; a documented theft of passports or visas; a transfer of employment of 250 miles or more; or Revocation of military leave. For further information ask for the Certificate of Coverage which fully details the coverages, provisions, limitations and exclusions of the plan offered and is available to you upon request, at any time prior to your purchase of the plan. This plan is underwritten by: United States Fire Insurance Company, Eatontown, NJ. Benefits are administered by: Trip Mate, Inc., 9225 Ward Parkway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO, 64114, 1-800-888-7292 ("in CA, dba Trip Mate Insurance Agency).

PROGRAM CONDITIONS

INCLUDED IN PRICE:

• Round-trip international airfare • Deluxe motorcoaches • 1st class hotels • Guided sightseeing • Entrance fees to sites visited (as listed in itinerary) • Breakfast & dinner daily • Hotel gratuities • Program fees • Administrative Fee • Fuel surcharges \$500 • Government Taxes \$98 (Increases in government tax and fees are subject to change)

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

• Optional Travel Protection Program (see premium schedule) • Cruise Extension and optional sightseeing as listed in the brochure: \$75 Optional Souin & Poseidon's Temple Tour • Miscellaneous fees such as individual transfers; passports, laundry, lunches, beverages at meals & baggage fees • Voluntary "Love Offering" for guide and driver • \$100 Document fee for Non-US/Canadian residents • Visa for non-US citizens

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Price is per person based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. While EOT will try to match roommates, EOT cannot guarantee a roommate will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 30 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or you request a single room, the following charges apply: \$698 during the basic tour.

SAVINGS:

Early registration discounts or other promotions are deducted from the balance of your bill. Hosts/Co-hosts are not eligible.

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

All prices reflect a 4% discount for full payment via check.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Payment Amount	Payment Due Dates & Notes
\$100*	Registrations received by 05/22/22. *Additional \$500 deposit will be due 09/21/22.
\$300**	Registrations received between 5/23/22 - 09/20/22. **Additional \$300 deposit due 09/21/22.
\$600	Registrations received between 09/21/22 - 11/21/22.
\$1,200	2nd Deposit Amount. All guests must have \$1,800 on their account by 11/22/22 to be ticketed
\$1,800	Registrations received between 11/22/22 - 12/21/22 must pay the full deposit amount and may be subject to late registration fees.
Full Payment	Final Payment is due on 12/22/22. If paid after the due date, a late payment fee of \$100 will be assessed.
Travel Protection Amount	The Travel Protection Plan premium will be due no later than 11/22/22 to be in full effect. Travel protection premiums must be paid in addition to our deposits and in advance of the final payment for coverage to be in effect.

REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED AFTER JANUARY 6, 2023:

We welcome registrations after 01/06/23. Registrations received between 01/07/23 - 01/21/23 will incur a \$100 per person fee. Registrations received between 01/22/23 - 02/05/23 will incur a \$200 per person fee. Registrations received between 02/06/23 - 02/20/23 will incur a \$400 per person fee. Registrations received on 02/21/23 or later will incur an additional fee based on air availability. Additional fees will be advised upon registration.

CANCELLATION FEES:

100% of Cancellation Fees are covered by the optional Travel Protection Program provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is coverable. Those who do not take travel protection should be aware of the following per-person cancellation penalties: From day of registration to 181 days prior to departure, you will be charged the \$100 non-refundable cancellation fee plus any airline fees. Additionally, thereafter, you will be charged any airline penalties and a single room supplement if your cancellation forces your roommate into a single plus the following per-person charges: 180-151 days = \$400; 150-121 days = \$700; 120-61 days = 50% of total cost; 60 days to day of departure = 100% of total cost. Submit cancellation in writing. On or after day of departure, there will be no refund for any services not used.

STATEMENTS OF RESPONSIBILITY

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ABILITY TO TRAVEL STATEMENT:

Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Because many of the sites are not accessible to the physically challenged, those needing oxygen, wheelchairs, or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting to their experiences. If you have questions, please contact Educational Opportunities Tours Inc. for more details. EOT reserves the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who is, in the sole judgment of EOT, incapable of group travel without causing undue demands upon the staff or other tour participants. Accessible rooms/cabins are limited and subject to confirmation after receiving the passenger's written request.

PASSPORT INFORMATION:

Passport information must be submitted to our office no later than 01/06/23. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date may result in change fees or denial of travel. Discrepancies in information may result in change fees, delays in receiving travel documents for your trip, or denial of travel. Any fees incurred due to discrepancies are the responsibility of the passenger.

PRICE INCREASES:

All prices quoted in this brochure are subject to change prior to payment in full due to currency fluctuations, fuel surcharge increases, government taxes and fees increases or unforeseen circumstances. In addition, you may be subject to a price increase after payment in full has been received due to potential government imposed taxes and fees.

AIRLINE ROUTES AND TICKETS:

In order to keep prices low, EOT does not guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. Once issued, airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class on IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together on entire itinerary. If you choose to depart from a different city than your group or traveling companion, or deviate your flight and/or trip plans, and/or you are taking a pre or post tour, you may fly on a different scheduled flight(s) than the rest of your group. If you make your own air arrangements, you are responsible for booking all needed flights for your travel unless specified otherwise. Contact guest services for further details.

FLIGHT TIMES AND SEATING:

All flights are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. EOT is not responsible for such changes or delays and does not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If you are making your own flight arrangements to the departure city, we recommend you purchase a ticket that can be exchanged without large penalties. There is no advance seat selection for groups on most airlines. Early check-in is necessary to secure seats with travel companions and those with special needs. Due to security measures taken at airports, it is advisable to arrive at the airport three hours prior to departure time. Seating is solely under the control of the airlines.

ADDITIONAL AIRLINE FEES:

You will likely incur additional airline checked baggage fees that are not included in the price of the tour. These fees vary by airline and are at the airline's discretion on each segment of the flight itinerary. Additionally, you may incur optional fees (food, excess baggage, overweight baggage, items of personal nature, etc.) as well. For more information, visit www.eo.travel/travelinfo/airlinefees.aspx.

ON OWN DEVIATIONS:

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Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While EOT will make every effort to ensure you will see all sites listed in this brochure, the availability of sites, order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in airline, hotel schedules, and local conditions. No changes to the itinerary are effective unless approved in writing and signed by an authorized officer of the tour operator. Except as stated herein, no other person is authorized to cancel, modify or vary the tour arrangements or to make any representation of warranty concerning the tour. Due to airline schedules, some participants may receive one or two extra leisure days at a nominal per day charge and some extensions may not be available on all departure dates. If itinerary changes necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged \$125 per night; single rooms \$175 per night. Meals for extra nights are not included.

VALIDITY DATE:

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