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Walking in the footsteps of Saint Paul Siguiendo los pasos de San Pablo

October 8 to 17, 2023

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Very Rev. Esequiel Sanchez



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October 8 -17, 2023

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Passport Name(s): Mr.& Mrs. Mr. Ms. _____

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Departure Date: October 8, 2023

Land & Air: \$3106.00 per person from ORD (Chicago)

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THE WAY OF SAINT PAUL

Día 1: Partiendo hacia Atenas ~ Domingo 8 de octubre del 2023

Día 2: Atenas

<p>Al llegar al aeropuerto de Atenas, seremos recibidos y trasladado a nuestro autobús Deluxe. Disfrutaremos de un paisaje panorámico antes de llegar a una taberna griega para nuestro almuerzo y llegada al hotel. Nuestra cena será en el hotel y descansaremos en la ciudad de Atenas.</p>	<p>Upon arrival at the Athens airport, you will be met & transferred to your deluxe motor coach. Enjoy panoramic sightseeing and lunch at a typical Greek tavern before hotel check in. Dinner at hotel and overnight Athens. (L/D)</p>
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Día 3: Día complete en Atenas

"Hombre de Atenas, reconozco que son hombres religiosos en todos los aspectos puesto que paso y observo los objetos de su adoración, y he encontrado un altar reservado para "el dios desconocido." Lo que, para ustedes es desconocido para adorar, esto yo se los proclamo..." (Hechos 17:22)

<p>Hoy descubriremos a la ciudad de Atenas, una de las ciudades mas gloriosas en el mundo y la cuna de la civilización del occidente. Por más de veinticinco siglos, el panorama de esta ciudad ha sido dominado por la roca del Acrópolis; veamos las ruinas del Partenón, el Erectheum, y la Propileo. Después, veremos el cerro de Marte donde San Pablo hablo a los Átenos sobre el verdadero Dios. Desde aquí, tendremos una vista excelente de la antigua Ágora; el centro histórico del Atenas- el mercado. Navegando por la ciudad para ver la Casa Parlamentaria en la plaza de Sintagma, los soldados en sus uniformes pintorescos custodiando el Palacio Presidencial y la tumba del soldado desconocido. Veremos la Biblioteca, la Universidad y el estadio de Panateneas donde las primeras Olimpiadas se llevaron a cabo en la era moderna, el templo de Zeus y los arcos de Adrián.</p>	<p>Today discover Athens, one of the most glorious cities in the world and the cradle of western civilization as we know it today. For twenty-five centuries, the panorama of this city has been dominated by the rock of the Acropolis; see the ruins of the Parthenon, the Erectheum and the Propylae. Afterwards, see Mars Hill where St. Paul spoke to the ancient Athenians about the one and only God. From here, one has an excellent view of the ancient agora; the former center of Athenian public life – the marketplace. Drive through the city to see the House of Parliament at Syntagma Square, the soldiers in their picturesque uniforms guarding the Presidential Palace and Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. We will also see the Library, the University, the Panathenaic Stadium where the first Olympics of the modern era were held, the Temple of the Olympian Zeus and Adrian's Arch. (B/D)</p>
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Día 4: Corintio

"Do not be afraid but speak and do not be silent; for I am with you, and no man shall attack you to harm you; for I have many people in this city. " (Acts 18:9)

<p>Durante nuestra gira hacia Corintio, tomaremos el camino sobre el Golfo de Sardónico hacia el Canal de Corintio que conecta el Mar de Ageo con el Mar Jónico. Haremos una breve pausa para tomar fotos y después continuaremos hacia la ciudad de Corintio, ciudad amada por San Pablo y sitio de la mayor parte de su ministerio. Este sitio tiene una elevación de 1,700 pies sobre las ruinas del mercado que es presentado exactamente como la encontró el Apóstol. Veremos el Bema (catedra de juicio) donde San Pablo predicó (Hechos 18). Regresaremos a Atenas para nuestra cena y reposo.</p>	<p>Drive to Corinth, taking the coastal road along the Saronic Gulf to the Corinth Canal, which connects the Aegean Sea with the Ionian Sea. We will make a short stop for pictures at the canal before continuing to the site of ancient Corinth, St. Paul's beloved city and site of his most extensive ministry. Dominated by the Acro-Corinth rising 1,700 feet above the ruins, the marketplace is laid out exactly as it stood in the days of the great Apostle. See the Bema (the judgment seat) where Paul stood before Galileo and preached (Acts 18). Return to Athens for dinner and an overnight (B/D)</p>
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Día 5: Atenas _ Full day cruise & lunch to the three Saronic Islands: Hydra, Poros, Aegina (B/L/D)

Día completo en un crucero y almuerzo visitando las tres de islas de las Saronicas: Hydra, Poros, y Aegina.

Día 6: Atenas –Meteors -Kalambaka

Después del desayuno, proseguiremos para aprovechar un recorrido de los monesterios. Visitaremos los famosos monasterio Vicentinos que están construidos sobre las rocas grises pináculo de varias hermosas formas. Su historia comienza desde el siglo catorce cuando los monjes se refugiaban en las cuevas donde después subían más alto de la montaña para construir sus casitas de madera, transformando todo a estos hermosos monesterios.

Tomaremos nuestra cena y reposo en Kalabaka.

Following breakfast this morning, we begin with our tour of the Monasteries. Here we see the world famous Byzantine monasteries that are perched precariously on summits of gray rock pinnacles of varied and beautiful shapes. Their history goes back to the 14th century when the monks sought refuge in the cliff side caves then fled higher to build the original wooden shelters, later transformed into monasteries. Dinner and overnight in Kalambaka. (B/D)

Día 7: Veria, Thessaloniki

"The brethren immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea; and when they arrived, they went into the Jewish synagogue." (Acts 17:10-14)

Esta mañana continuaremos en Berea para visitar las sinagogas antiguas donde San Pablo predicaba. También, visitaremos los mosaicos de San Pablo y la escritura hecha en bronce que habla de la "Iglesia mas noble." En la tarde nos conduciremos hacia la ciudad de Tesalónica donde tomaremos nuestra cena y reposo.

This morning we continue to Berea to view the ancient synagogue where Paul spoke, and the Bema surrounded by mosaics of St Paul and the plaque of scripture regarding the "more noble" church. This afternoon we drive to Thessaloniki where we will have our dinner and overnight.

"Paul came to Thessaloniki with Silas and following his usual custom, he went to the Synagogue where he used the Jewish scriptures as the source for his preaching." (Acts 17:2-4)

Día 8: Thessaloniki - Kavala

Hoy conoceremos esta gran ciudad donde San Pablo escribió su epístola a los Tesalonicenses. La ciudad fue erigida por el Rey Casandro y la nombró en honor a la hermana de Alejandro Magno. La ciudad prosperó bajo el imperio vicentino y los edificios más importantes suelen ser de esa época. Hoy, la ciudad es conocida como el segundo capital de Grecia- Reyna del norte. Nuestro recorrido de la ciudad nos lleva hacia la gran torre blanca y los arcos de triunfo de Gallerio, construido en el año 303 AD. También, visitaremos la iglesia de San Demetrio con sus valioso mosaicos y después iremos a los pueblos que ofrecen panoramas hermosas de la ciudad. El sitio donde el monasterio de Vlatadon fue erigido es donde se cree es el lugar donde era la casa de Jason- lugar donde San Pablo se hospedaba al visitar la ciudad.

We become acquainted with this great city where Paul wrote two epistles to the ancient Thessalonians. Built by King Cassandros and named after the sister of Alexander the Great, the city flourished under the Byzantine Empire and its most important buildings date from those days. Today, it is considered the second capital of Greece, the Queen of the north. Our city tour takes us along the waterfront to the massive White Tower and nearby Triumphal Arch of Gallerius, built in 303 AD. We also see St. Demetrios Church with its valuable mosaics and frescoes and then drive to the upper town which offers a marvelous view of the city. The site where the monastery of Vlatadon was built is believed to be the location where Jason's house once stood and where Paul was accommodated during his visit to Thessaloniki.

"Setting sail therefore from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace and the following day to Neapolis " (Acts 16:11) "And from thence to Philippi which is the chief city of that part of Macedonia, and a colony; and we were in that city abiding certain days." (Acts 16:12)

<p>Hoy visitaremos la hermosa ciudad de Kavala (conocido como Neapolis) y después continuaremos a la ciudad romana de Filippo, ciudad que fue un guarnición y centro militar de Macedonia. Aquí San Pablo logró su primer discípulo, una mujer nombrada Lydia, el mercado donde San Pablo y Silas eran arrestados y traídos ante sus magistrados y la cisterna donde San Pablo fue encarcelado. Regresaremos a Tesalónica para nuestra cena y reposo.</p>	<p>Visit the beautiful city of Kavala (ancient Neapolis), and from here we continue to Philippi a Roman garrison town and the chief city in the province of Macedonia. It was here that Paul won his first European convert, a woman named Lydia, the marketplace where Paul and Silas were brought before the rulers, the cistern which tradition identifies as the place where St. Paul was imprisoned. We return to Thessaloniki for dinner and an overnight (B/D)</p>
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Día 9: Thessaloniki

<p>Hoy, daremos un recorrido a la ciudad de Tesalónica y los sitios donde San Pablo se hospedaba y predicaba. Comenzaremos el día con la Eucaristía en la catedral de la ciudad. Recorreremos por la ciudad y veremos el camino de San Pablo. Veremos las antiguas murallas de la ciudad, los lugares donde San Pablo vivía y predicaba: el sitio donde era la casa de Jason donde moraba San Pablo, la nueva excavación del Foro Ágora donde San Pablo predicaba, la iglesia de San Jorge, el monumento Romano convertido en una iglesia y los arcos de Galerio que se eleva por encima de la famosa vía Egnatia. Cenaremos y reposamos en Tesalónica.</p>	<p>Today we will tour Thessaloniki and the places St Paul lived and preached. We start our day with Mass at Thessaloniki Catholic Cathedral. We drive through town we see remnants of the original Roman road that spanned the nation during St Paul's time. En route we will view the old city ramparts, the places Paul lived and preached; the location of Jason's home where Paul lived, the newly excavated Forum-Agora where St Paul was preaching, St. George Church, an ancient Roman monument which was transformed into a church and the Galerius Arch which rises over the famous Via Egnatia. Dinner and overnight in Thessaloniki (B/D)</p>
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Día 10: Thessaloniki /USA ~ Tuesday October 17, 2023

Desayunaremos y después salimos de Tesalónica, rumbo al aeropuerto para nuestro viaje de retorno.

After breakfast depart to the Thessaloniki airport for the flight home.



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