

What's Included

- **HOTELS:** 10 nights of accommodations based on double occupancy
- **MEALS:** All meals except 2 lunches and 1 dinner
- **SIGHTSEEING:** 6 days of sightseeing in deluxe motor coach and services of a licensed tour guide.
- **CRUISE:** 4-night, 5-day Aegean Sea Cruise aboard the Celestyal Discovery in upper deck exterior cabins
- **ENTRANCE FEES:** All entrance fees included for 10 full days of sightseeing in Greece
- **ALL TIPS (Including cruise staff), TAXES & PORTERAGE** (one suitcase per person)
- **AIRFARE:** Round-trip Austin to Thessaloniki | Athens to Austin

Payments and Conditions

- **Cost of Tour - \$5,350 per person (based on double occupancy)**
- Single Supplement (Private Room) - \$1,200
- Land only (you purchase your own airfare) - \$4,250
- Cost of the tour is guaranteed through December 31, 2024. Registrations received after this date may be subject to an increase in price due to increased airfare.

Payment Terms

- \$350 non-refundable, non-transferable deposit due upon registration
- \$2,500 due October 7, 2024
- \$2,500 due January 7, 2025

Cancellation Policy

- Prior to October 6, 2024: cancellation fee of \$350 deposit
- From October 7 - January 7, 2025: cancellation fee of \$2,850
- After January 7 – no refunds

Payment Methods

- Check Payable to Prelude Tours and mailed to: P.O. Box 118696 | Carrollton, TX | 75011
- Credit card – payments made by credit card will be assessed a 3% convenience fee.
- Click www.preludetours.com to make credit card payments

For more information and to register,
visit www.PreludeTours.com
or
Call (281) 667-1057

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is highly recommended to safeguard your trip investment from unforeseen circumstances. Insurance must be purchased within 14 days of registration to cover any pre-existing medical conditions. Visit www.preludetours.com for more information on travel insurance or call our office, 281.667.1057.

Additional Information

- **Activity level of tour –Level 3:** This tour is an active tour with walking, standing for longer periods of time on sometimes uneven ground or terrain and climbing steps. There will be some longer days and earlier mornings balanced with free time to enjoy your own interests. Guest should be able to walk 8,000 - 10,000 steps per day and manage their own luggage as needed.
- There will be no refund for unconsumed hotel meals or unused entrance fees.
- The itinerary as listed is subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of Prelude Tours.
- This tour is non-transferable upon cancellation (If one cancels their tour, they cannot transfer the payments.
- When purchasing airfare with the group, seats are assigned by the airline and Prelude Tours has no control of seat assignments. If you prefer specific seats or upgrades, it is recommended that you purchase the land only option through Prelude Tours and purchase your own airfare to align with the group schedule.
- Passports must be valid for 6 months **AFTER** the date of return to the United States – (October 18, 2025)
- This tour is limited to 45 travelers

You are invited...

I am so excited to invite you to travel to Greece next April with other members and friends of First Baptist Church, Marble Falls, TX. On this pilgrimage tour of Greece, we will stroll, wander, and sail by faith as we walk the many missionary journeys of the Apostle Paul. This exciting tour includes a 5-day cruise to Mykonos, Ephesus, Patmos, Rhodes, Crete, and Santorini. Both spiritual and picturesque, this land and cruise tour to mainland Greece, and the Greek Isles leads you to many significant sites of the New Testament as well as some of the most beautiful islands of the Mediterranean. Scripture will take on new meaning as you visit the ancient communities where Paul established churches – and where he penned his letters, including the Thessalonians, Philippians, Corinthians, and Ephesians.



Jerry

GREECE ²⁰²⁵

Footsteps of Paul

with 5-day cruise to Mykonos, Ephesus, Patmos, Rhodes, Crete & Santorini

April 7 - 18, 2025



**First Baptist Church
Marble Falls**



ITINERARY

Monday, April 7: Depart Austin, TX overnight flight to Thessaloniki, Greece

Tuesday, April 8: Upon our mid-day arrival into Thessaloniki, we will be met by our tour guide and motor coach and will transfer to our hotel for a welcome dinner. *Overnight Thessaloniki - MonAsty Hotel (D)*

Wednesday, April 9: After breakfast, we will tour **Thessaloniki**, a city that is over 2,300 years old and the second-largest city in Greece. Our tour will include the sites visited many times by Paul – the **Roman Market, theatre and baths**. We will continue to the ancient colony of **Philippi** built in 356 B.C. by Alexander's father, Philip II. This is where Paul delivered his first sermon in Europe and baptized Lydia, the first Christian convert in Europe. We will also see the **Roman forum** and the **prison where Paul and Silas** were held. We continue into the modern port city of **Kavala**, ancient **Neapolis**, where Paul, accompanied by Silas, Luke and Timothy, first set foot in Europe. Tonight, we will enjoy dinner at traditional restaurant with live music. *Overnight Thessaloniki - MonAsty Hotel (B)(L)(D)*

Thursday, April 10: We will travel to **Berea**, where Paul established a small church. We will view the reconstructed steps of the bema and the most ancient synagogue in northern Greece. We continue on to spectacular **Meteora**, the famous Cenobitic Monasteries that are perched precariously on top of huge and precipitous columns of rock that rise up out of the ground, thereby giving rise to the name Meteora which means "in the air". *Overnight Kalambaka – Divani Meteora Hotel. (B)(L)(D)*

Friday, April 11: After breakfast, we depart for **Delphi**. **The oracle at Delphi** is a figure of great historical importance that was and still is shrouded in mystery. Delphi was considered "the navel" of the ancient World. After visiting the archaeological site and the museum in Delphi, we continue to Athens. *Overnight Athens – Divani Palace Hotel (B)(D)*

Saturday, April 12: After breakfast, we will tour ancient **Corinth** with a brief stop at the **Corinth Canal**, which separates Peloponnese from the Greek mainland and connects the Ionian and Aegean Seas. Corinth was home for Paul for eighteen months and we will see the **Archaeological Museum, the Bema, the Market Place** and the **Temples**. After returning to Athens, we will enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. *Overnight Athens - Divani Palace Hotel (B)(L)(D)*

Sunday, April 13: This morning we will enjoy a guided tour of Athens which will include **Panathenaic Stadium**, the only stadium in the world built entirely of marble. We will also visit the world-renowned **Acropolis** with the ruins of the **Parthenon**. We will climb **Mars Hill**, where Paul preached the famous sermon of the

Unknown God. Following some free time in the Plaka (shopping area), we will have a guided visit to the Acropolis Museum. The remainder of the day/evening is at your leisure to enjoy Athens. *Overnight Athens – Divani Palace Hotel (B)*

Monday, April 14: This morning we will transfer to the port and board our cruise ship, **Celestyal Discovery**, for the next 5 days. Late afternoon, we will have our first port of call, **Mykonos** – an island known for its jet-set atmosphere, whitewashed buildings, sidewalk cafes, 360 churches and chic shops. *Overnight Cruise*

Tuesday, April 15: This morning we will be in the port of **Ephesus** to visit one of the "Seven Wonders of the Ancient World" where Paul spent many years and wrote his Letter to the Ephesians. After lunch, we will sail to the Island of **Patmos** to visit **St John's Grotto** where John wrote the book of Revelation. *Overnight Cruise*

Wednesday, April 16: Today we will spend the day in **Rhodes**. In classical times, the **Colossus of Rhodes** was one of the Seven Wonders of the World with the glorious history from ancient times to Medieval times as home of the Knights. We will visit the **Ancient Acropolis of Lindos** and the **Port of St. Paul**, where Paul docked on the way back to Jerusalem. *Overnight Cruise*

Thursday, April 17: The island of **Crete** where Paul and Titus visited in support of the early church is our destination for the day. There will be free time in the morning to enjoy shopping in the city center or to enjoy the ship's amenities. In the afternoon, we cruise to **Santorini**, one of the most beautiful islands in the Mediterranean. *Overnight Cruise*

Friday, April 18: Morning disembark and transfer to the airport for flight home

(B) - breakfast included
(L) - lunch included
(D) - dinner included



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