

The Proverbs 19:21 Ministries presents...

# Seven Churches of Asia

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Thursday 20th - Thursday 27th April 2023



Dear Friend

I am delighted to welcome you on our trip to the geographical, historical, biblical and archaeological Seven Churches of Revelation of the ancient Asia Minor, now modern-day Turkey; from Thursday 20th – Thursday 27th April 2023.

For many Bible believing Christians, visiting these ancient Churches cements their faith even more in relation to the fulfilment of Bible prophecies.

This is not a vacation nor a holiday, but a time of spiritual awareness growth and educational experience.

The aim for our trip is to learn and experience the places named in our bible, to walk where Apostle Paul and the disciples walked with the Bible as our guide book.

When we have stood together in the ruins of the ancient Seven Churches, where riots broke out against Paul, where he taught and brought divine revelation of the light of the Gospel to a world so dark, surely, we will come back home with a new grasp of the bible and an added dimension to our faith.

Check your calendar to see if you can join us in this wonderful experience.

God bless you even as you come on this tour.

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### **Day 1 - Saturday**

We depart from London Gatwick for Izmir airport and then transfer to our hotel in Izmir (Smyrna), for dinner and overnight.

### **Day 2 - Sunday**

We spend the morning sightseeing in Izmir, Turkey's third largest city, and visit the church of St Polycarp, the Izmir Archaeological Museum and the Ancient Agora. In the afternoon we have free time to relax, take a trip to the harbour or do some shopping.

Dinner and overnight in Izmir.

### **Day 3 - Monday**

Travel by coach to Bergama (Pergamum), one of the most impressive classical sites in Turkey, a city which once rivaled Alexandria and Antioch as a centre for the arts and sciences. Of particular interest is the Asclepion, one of the foremost medical centres of the ancient world - a huge complex that includes temples, treatment rooms, pools, a sacred spring, a library and even a theatre for entertainment. In the afternoon we travel to Akhisar (Thyatira), with its remains of a basilica, some Roman archaeological fragments and some Christian remains.

Dinner and overnight in Izmir.

#### **Day 4 - Tuesday**

Travel to Sart (Sardis), the ancient capital of the Kingdom of Lydia set in the crumbling mountains. We view the Temple of Artemis, with the largest Ionic columns in the Greek world, Lydian houses, a Byzantine church and a reconstructed synagogue. Continue to Alasehir (Philadelphia), with its numerous remains of early Christian churches. Then to Pamukkale, one of the most spectacular natural wonders of Turkey, where thermal spring waters have carved a dazzling white petrified cascade of basins, cataracts and stalactites. Dinner and overnight in Pamukkale.

#### **Day 5 - Wednesday**

We visit the Necropolis at Hierapolis, then drive to Laodicea on the south bank of the River Lyros, whose sights included temples, a fountain, a theatre, Odean gymnasium, aqueduct and sarcophagi. Visit to Colossae and then continue to Kusadasi on the Aegean coast. Dinner and overnight in Kusadasi.

#### **Day 6 - Thursday**

Today we take a boat to the island of Patmos where St John the Divine wrote the Book of Revelation. Visit the Cave, the Monastery and the Treasury, with light lunch provided and a chance to survey the landscape. Dinner and overnight in Kusadasi.

#### **Day 7 - Friday**

Travel by coach to Efes (Ephesus), visiting St John's church, including the Temple of Artemus, the Gladiators graveyard, House of the Virgin Mary, Ephesus itself and the museum. Ephesus is one of the world's most impressive sites. Once the Roman capital of Asia, it was here that Mark Anthony and Cleopatra once rode in procession, St Paul came at the dawn of Christianity and the

followers of Artemis rioted in protest. It is said that Mary, the mother of Jesus, spent her last days nearby.

Dinner and overnight in Kusadasi.

#### **Day 8 - Saturday**

Transfer to the airport for our return flight to London Gatwick.

*Itinerary subject to change*

#### **Price £1490 per person**

#### **What the price includes**

- Return flights from London Gatwick to Izmir (Details of flight numbers and times have not yet been finalised)
- Accommodation in good quality hotels in twin bedded rooms with private facilities on half board basis
- Lunch in Patmos
- Transfer of passengers and baggage
- Sightseeing as in itinerary
- Services of a fully qualified English speaking guide
- Travel by air-conditioned coaches
- Entrance fees, gratuities, service charges and portorage
- Airport taxes
- Port tax Kusadasi
- ATOL Protection Contribution

#### **Not included in the price**

- Travel from home to UK airport
- Single supplement - £196 per person
- Items of a personal nature
- Travel insurance including COVID-19 cover
- Any costs related to COVID-19 testing

## How to Book

You can book this tour by completing the attached booking form and sending it together with your deposit of £200 (full payment if within 10 weeks of departure) to:

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Further information will be sent to you regarding any action that may be required approximately 12 weeks before departure.

A final invoice will also be sent at this time and the balance for the tour must be paid at least 10 weeks before departure.

### Travel Information

Full travel information, including details of meeting points, flight times, accommodation and travel information, will be sent to you approximately 2 weeks before departure. Normally, tickets are not issued but are handed to you at the airport or departure point by our representative who will be there to ensure that you depart without a hitch and to deal with any last minute difficulties.

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### Room Check In and Check Out Times

The standard international practice is to let rooms from midday to midday. However times do vary. Check-in times are usually between 2pm and 3pm, check-out times between 11am and 12 noon on the day of departure. Therefore, if you check-in immediately after a night flight this would normally count as one night's accommodation. Similarly if your return flight is at night you will normally be required to vacate your room at 12 noon prior to leaving for the airport. Day rooms are subject to availability/cost and should be arranged locally with the accommodation management.

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