

Tour the land of

Greece

April 8 - 17, 2027



Victory Church
Missions



AS YOU CONSIDER THIS TOUR

***Please Note: we have set the dates for this tour in anticipation of the country being safe for travel. If conditions there do not allow travel, we will either cancel the tour and your deposits will be refunded.

TOUR PAYMENTS

Balance is due **January 17, 2027**.

HOW TO SIGN UP

1. Register and pay deposit online at: <https://www.friendshiptours.com/book-a-trip/Enter> tour dates etc., with Group name/Tour leader "Victory Church/Dale Swanson." Then, mail the completed registration page and copy of passport to my attention at the church address on registration page. (There is not an added charge to pay the deposit by credit card. There is an added charge to pay the balance by credit card.)
2. Mail deposit check, registration form, and copy of your passport to my attention.

COVID

As of July 2025, the vaccination requirement has been eliminated and no COVID tests are required prior to departure or upon arrival in Athens. This is subject to change based on the current COVID international situation.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

We strongly recommend that passengers purchase comprehensive insurance that includes coverage for Trip Cancellation or Interruption, Medical Expense and Baggage. An optional travel insurance plan is available to Friendship Tour Participants. Information about this plan is included with the reservation form.

PASSPORT

Your passport **MUST** be valid for 6 months AFTER the return date. If not, apply for renewal (suggest expedited) immediately. Please send a photocopy of your passport to dale.swanson@victory.church or text it to 405-440-2189, if you pay your deposit online. Please include with your deposit and registration form if you mail them to Pastor Dale.

In addition to your passport, Greece, the UK, and other European countries are instituting Electronic Travel Authorizations. There can be issues with receiving approval if you have criminal convictions. Suggest applying for the ETA's prior to registering for this tour.

TRAVEL

These are uncertain times, and travel arrangements may change. Be prepared for flight changes/additional costs due to changes. **Flexibility is key.**

Since flights are booked as a group, it is your responsibility to attempt to get miles credit for the flights. Each airline handles this differently.

Check the airlines for their policy on baggage charges. We are also limited due to bus luggage capacity.

Business class seats on overseas flights are usually available. Email dale.swanson@victory.church for more information.

PHYSICAL/AGE REQUIREMENTS

The tour involves a lot of walking over varied terrain and surfaces, and some sites involve a lot of steps. You should be capable of walking several miles per day without difficulty prior to considering the tour.

LODGING

Unless you booked with a roommate or paid for a private room, you will likely be assigned a roommate. The upcharge for private room is listed at the bottom of this packet.

COMMUNICATION

Please do not contact the tour company except to make online payment through their portal. Due to high volume of people they assist, they only communicate with the tour coordinators (Dale & Barb Swanson).

**PLEASE READ ALL THE ATTACHED INFORMATION REGARDING
PAYMENTS/REQUIREMENTS/CANCELLATION, ETC., PRIOR TO BOOKING THE TOUR.**

NEW ENTRY REQUIREMENT FOR GREECE

Starting in late 2026, travelers from *visa-exempt countries* will need to apply for an ETIAS before visiting Greece and other European Union (EU) destinations.

PASSPORT EXPIRY REQUIREMENTS

- If you need an entry visa: **Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond arrival date.**
- If you are visa-exempt and need an ETA: **Passport must be valid for 3 months beyond arrival date.**

HOW TO KNOW IF YOU NEED AN ENTRY VISA OR AN ETA

- Check country eligibility
- If you are not eligible for an entry visa online, contact the nearest Israeli consulate or embassy for assistance.

WHAT TO DO NEXT

- Check your passport expiry date.
- Ensure your passport meets the required validity for your entry type.
- If your passport is expiring soon, renew it before applying for an ETA or entry visa.



The Greece Experience!

Greece in the Steps of Paul | April 8 - 17, 2027

Hosted By:

Pastors Dale & Barb Swanson

Victory Church | In Partnership with Friendship Tours

405-440-2189

Highlights of Your Tour:

Scheduled international flights

Top-quality four-star hotels

Buffet breakfast & dinner daily

Top guide with in-depth knowledge of the Old and New Testaments

Private air-conditioned motorcoach

Visits to the major historical sites

Cruise the Greek Islands

All meals on board the ship

Most shore excursions included

Outside cabins on board the ship

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Join us for a life-changing journey!

TOUR CONDITIONS

PRICE PER PERSON

- **\$5638 Cash Discount (\$5888 Credit Card)**

- **Land Only: \$4390 Cash Discount (\$4586 Credit Card)**

(Note: This is a custom tour and the cost quoted above is based on a minimum No. of 30 adult participants. Should tour membership fall below this number, the tour operator reserves the right to re-cost the program.) *All airfares are subject to change.*

PRICE INCLUDES

- Round trip jet economy class airfare
- First class hotel accommodations (based on double occupancy)
- Full buffet breakfast & dinner daily
- Transfers by private motorcoach with English-speaking guide
- Porterage (1 suitcase per person, max 50 lbs.)
- Suggested tips of \$125 for guides, drivers, restaurant, and housekeeping staff
- Shore excursions to Ephesus, Patmos, and Rhodes
- Port taxes of \$166/person; airport taxes and fuel surcharge of \$480/person, subject to change

NOT INCLUDED

- U.S. passport fees
- Additional meals or beverages
- Personal expenses (laundry, telephone calls, etc.)
- Travel insurance (highly recommended)
- Santorini and Crete shore excursion

DOCUMENTS

- A valid U.S. passport is required.

RESERVATIONS & PAYMENTS

- **Non-refundable deposit: \$300 per person to reserve your spot**
- Balance due: January 10, 2027.

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CANCELLATION POLICY

- All cancellations must be in writing.
- Additional \$100 fee for cancellations 91+ days before departure (if using group airfare)
- 91+ days: \$200 fee
- 90–60 days: \$450 fee
- 59–46 days: \$850 fee
- 45–31 days: 40% of total tour cost
- 30–0 days: 100% of total tour cost

INSURANCE NOTE

We strongly recommend that passengers purchase comprehensive insurance that includes coverage for **Trip Cancellation or Interruption, Medical Expense and Baggage**. An optional travel insurance plan is available to Friendship International Tour Participants. Information about this plan will be sent with your deposit confirmation.

Special Note: Allianz Insurance Plan payment must be received no later than your final tour payment, or it will not be accepted. The Allianz Insurance Plan is not in force until the premium is received.

VALIDITY

Prices are based on airfares, tariffs and rates of exchange effective 2/11/26. All airfares are subject to change.

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CONTACT: PASTOR DALE SWANSON

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Join us for a life-changing journey!

Dear Friends,

Would you like to have a life-changing and never-to-be-forgotten experience? It is our joy to invite you to join us on a trip to Greece, where you will find a new dimension in understanding Christian history and the teachings of Paul. We will visit places where Paul walked and taught. Please give me the privilege of sharing this experience with you.

Pastor Dale Swanson

YOUR DAILY ITENERARY

FRIDAY, APRIL 08 | OKLAHOMA CITY – ATHENS

Depart from Oklahoma City on our flight to Athens. Meals and overnight on board. After dinner relax and enjoy the on-board entertainment.

FRIDAY, APRIL 09 | ATHENS

Arrive in Athens, where you will be met by your Friendship Tours representatives and transferred to the hotel. Athens is the capital of Greece. It was also at the heart of Ancient Greece, a powerful civilization and empire. The city is still dominated by 5th-century BC landmarks, including the Acropolis. The remaining day is at leisure. Dinner and overnight in Athens.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10 | ATHENS CITY TOUR

Today's tour will touch the highlights of this center of one of the world's greatest civilizations and the cradle of Western civilization. First, visit the Acropolis and wander through the ruins of some of the most architecturally perfect buildings ever constructed. We'll see the Propylea, the Temple of the Wingless Victory, the Erechtheum, where Paul was brought before the council, and the Parthenon. On a drive through the city, we'll see the National Library, the University, the Academy, the Presidential Palace, and more. The afternoon is at leisure. Dinner and overnight in Athens.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 11 | CORINTH

Today we tour Corinth, driving through Daphni and Eleusis. After crossing the Corinthian Canal, which connects the Aegean and Ionian Seas, we'll arrive in ancient Corinth. We visit the ruins of Corinth, where Paul worked with Priscilla and Aquila. Included are the First Century shops, the Agora, the Temple of Apollo, and the Bema Seat. Continue your drive up to Acrocorinth, in Paul's time site of the great Temple of Aphrodite. Return to Athens, where the rest of the afternoon is at leisure. Dinner and overnight.

MONDAY, APRIL 12 | MYKONOS

This morning, we drive to Piraeus and embark on our cruise through the Aegean to Turkey. Arrive at Mykonos in the afternoon. The afternoon is at leisure on this small and famous gleaming white Aegean Island, with its golden beaches, windmills, and picturesque narrow roads. All meals on board our cruise ship.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13 | KUSADASI (EPHESUS) - CRUISE TO PATMOS

This morning, we arrive in Kusadasi, Turkey. Kusadasi is a colorful harbor town and the starting point for an excursion to the ancient Greek city of Ephesus, site of one of the Seven Churches of Revelation. Excavation still continues in this once great and important city, which was founded in the 10th century BC and was subdued by both Croesus and Alexandra the Great. Walk through history along the streets lined with magnificent public buildings, among them the Baths of Skolasticia, the Library of Celsus, the Temple of Hadrian, and the theatre. Ephesus also played an important part in the life of the Apostle Paul, who wrote an epistle to its inhabitants. This afternoon, we spend our time cruising the beautiful blue Aegean, arriving after lunch in Patmos. Patmos is the beautiful island where the exiled Apostle Paul received the Revelation, which informs the last books of the New Testament. Tour the Holy Cave of the Apocalypse and the Monastery of St. John, which houses an original manuscript of the Gospel.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14 | RHODES

Early morning arrival in Rhodes. This fortified stronghold was built by a Crusading Order which originated from Palestine. After your stroll, enjoy the cosmopolitan atmosphere from one of the elegant cafes on the yacht harbor, or take an excursion to visit the Temple of Athena on the majestic, rocky Acropolis of Lindos, with the blue Aegean beneath it and the sophisticated, whitewashed artists' colony at its foot. Overnight onboard.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 15 | CRETE - SANTORINI

This morning, we wake up at the Heraklion, Crete, the home of the great Minoan Civilization. Visit the Knossos excavations, dating back to 4,000 BC, and the Palace. Return to our cruise ship to sail to Santorini for a visit on this interesting island. OPTIONAL: enjoy a short trip by local boat to Athenios harbor where we board our motor coach to visit Oia Village, built on the Caldera rim. A unique sight is the various layers of lava that can be seen on the face of the rock, each layer being another phase of the volcano activity. Proceed through the beautiful countryside to Fira, and enjoy the town at leisure or perhaps relax over a coffee as you gaze down upon Kamenes, the two black volcanic islets in the Caldera Bay. Overnight on board the ship.

FRIDAY, APRIL 16 | ATHENS

This morning, we disembark the ship in Piraeus and transfer to our hotel in Athens. This entire day is yours to explore the city of Athens, shop, and revisit some of the sites you saw during your sightseeing tour. Dinner and overnight.

TSATURDAY, APRIL 17 | ATHENS

We transfer to the airport for departure from Athens to the USA. Arrive today with wonderful memories of a magnificent journey.

Note: Tour operator reserves the right to alter any part of this program.

YOUR RESERVATION FORM

Please complete a form for each traveler

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PRICE PER PERSON FROM OKLAHOMA CITY:

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SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT:

\$1346 (for private room)

REQUIRED DEPOSIT PER PERSON:

\$300

- You may pay the \$300 per person deposit by check or credit card.
- There is no extra charge to use credit card for deposit

Visit www.friendshiptours.com and book your trip online.

You may also pay your deposit and purchase insurance online.

PASSPORTS MUST BE VALID FOR AT LEAST 6 MONTHS FROM DATE OF RETURN

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **Friendship Tours - Trust Account**

Please Mail This Completed Form with Your Payment to:

Dale Swanson
c/o Victory Church
4300 N. McArthur Blvd
Warr Acres, OK 73122

YOUR RESERVATION FORM

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_____ LAND ONLY (NO AIRFARE)

NAME (ON PASSPORT) _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

PASSPORT #: _____ DATE OF ISSUE: _____ EXPIRATION: _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

TEL: (_____) _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

Type of Room Required: _____ Twin Occupancy _____ Single Occupancy (Additional charge)

I UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE THE OPTION TO PURCHASE TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE FROM ALLIANZ INSURANCE AND I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE TOUR CONDITIONS PERTAINING TO THIS TOUR.

Signature (required) (SIGN ON NEXT PAGE AS WELL)

Date: _____

FORM OF PAYMENT

BY CHECK:

I have enclosed a Deposit of \$ _____ Per Person, for a Total Check amount of \$ _____

BY CREDIT CARD:

To pay by credit card, please visit our website www.friendshiptours.com and follow the prompts. We do not accept American Express Cards.

INSURANCE & LIABILITY INFORMATION

**WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT ALL PASSENGERS PURCHASE TRIP INSURANCE
IMPORTANT - TRAVEL INSURANCE - PLEASE READ THIS ALLIANZ INSURANCE PLAN**

For those wishing to purchase the Allianz insurance, please apply directly to Allianz Travel Protection, using the application form included with the insurance brochure.

SPECIAL NOTES:

To receive a preexisting condition waiver, please refer to the Allianz brochure or Call (800) 284-8300. Deadlines apply, so study this brochure before registering for the trip.

Please be aware that you may purchase various levels of Insurance Coverage from Allianz. Study the brochure carefully. **OUR ACCAM # F030632 You will be asked for this.**

IMPORTANT:

I will be applying for the Allianz Insurance: _____ YES _____ NO

If you decline the insurance you are fully responsible for all losses incurred before and during your trip.

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ACCEPTED, READ, and UNDERSTOOD

SIGNED:

Printed Name

Signature

Date