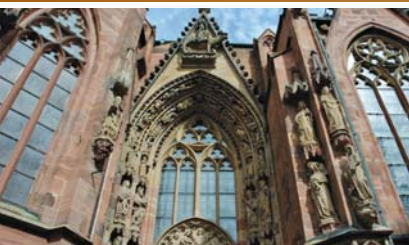


In the Footsteps of **Martin Luther & the Reformation**

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Wartburg Castle - In 1522, Luther sat in this room and translated the New Testament into German in just 11 weeks.

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Day 1 – Depart USA

Depart on your international overnight flight.

Day 2 – Arrive in Germany

Arrive this morning in Berlin, where our representative will greet you and escort you to your bus. A driving tour of Berlin will introduce you to such sites as the Brandenburg Gate and the rebuilt Reichstag, whose transparent dome represents the open government of the nation. Pass the ruins of the Kaiser Wilhelm Gedachtniskirche, left as a poignant reminder of what was lost in the Second World War. Stop at a section of the Berlin Wall, a stark testimony to the once divided city. Take a photo at Checkpoint Charlie, the infamous crossing point from East to West Berlin during the Cold War Era. Dinner and overnight in Wittenberg.

Day 3 – Wittenberg

This morning, wander Wittenberg, where Luther lived and taught for 36 years. See where he posted his 95 Theses on the Palace Church door, giving voice to the Reformation. Visit Schlosskirche, where Luther was buried, and explore Luther Halle, a former monastery where Martin lived with his family. Enjoy an English Service held by the local Luther English Ministry team before returning to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 4 – Halle and Eisleben

Start the day in Halle, where Luther supported the Market Church constructed here. Later, George Handel would be baptized here in 1685. Cardinal Albert of Mainz precipitated the onset of the Reformation through his sale of indulgences and the Protestants in Halle bought him out of his position. Continue on to Eisleben, where Luther's life both began and ended. Luther was baptized at St. Petri (St. Peter & St. Paul's Church), where you can see portraits of his wife and parents. This charming little town includes the Luther Family Home, as well as the house Luther was visiting at the time of his death. Walk the medieval cobblestone streets past St. Andrew's Church, where Luther preached his last sermon. Dinner and overnight in Erfurt.

Day 5 – Erfurt

Erfurt was called the "city of spires" in Luther's day. Visit St. Mary's Cathedral and the Augustinian Monastery, where Luther was ordained into the priesthood in 1507. Visit the Veste, the 900-year-old fortress of Coburg, where Luther took refuge from his enemies behind its triple ramparts. Return to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 6 – Eisenach

Martin Luther lived in Eisenach during his student days. Learn about Luther's life and the Reformation at the Luther House Museum, and tour the famous Wartburg Castle, where Luther translated the New Testament into German in 1522. View the room where Luther completed his translation in just 11 weeks. Travel to the Rhine River area. Check into your area hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 7 – Worms and Heidelberg

Explore the ancient city of Worms, where Luther refused to back down from his criticism of the church during the famous Diet of Worms. The Reformation Monument features statues of major figures in the Reformation. In Heidelberg, view the Castle that was twice struck by lightning, and explore the charming Old Town's cobblestone lanes and medieval atmosphere. Heidelberg University played an important role in the debates over the Reformation. Return to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 8 – Mainz, Gutenberg Press, Rhine Cruise

This morning, visit the Rhine River city of Mainz, where Johann Gutenberg developed the process of moveable type that allowed printing to be done on a production scale. Enjoy a cruise on the Rhine River past medieval castles before staying overnight in the Frankfurt area.

Day 9 – Return to USA

Return home with memories of the people and places of the Reformation in Germany.





BERLIN PRE TOUR 3-Day

Day 1 – Depart from USA

Day 2 – Arrive in Berlin

Enjoy a driving tour of the city before visiting the home of Dietrich Bonhoeffer. His active protest of Naziism led to his arrest and death at the hands of the Gestapo. Check into your hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 3 – Day on own to explore and shop in Berlin.

Day 4 – Join the group at the airport to begin your Reformation Tour.



SWITZERLAND EXTENSION 5-Day Post-Tour

Day 9 – Strasbourg, France & Basel, Switzerland

A charming French city on the border of Germany, Strasbourg blends modern and medieval history. The sleek Modern Art Museum and European Parliament are definitely contemporary, but time appears to have stopped in the narrow cobblestone streets of “la Petit France.” Built in the 13th century and still the highest cathedral tower in France, Cathedrale Notre-Dame contains one of the world’s largest (and most entertaining) astronomical clocks. Although John Calvin ministered in Strasbourg at several churches, his home was Basel, Switzerland—your next stop. See Basel’s Marketplatz, Munster Church (once a Catholic cathedral) and the Rathaus (originally a Renaissance palace). Dinner and overnight in Basel.

Day 10 – Constance and Zurich, Switzerland

Visit the Hus Museum in Constance to learn about the early Christian reformer martyred in 1415. This lovely lakeside town, is one of the few left unscathed by WWII. Drive to picturesque Zurich to explore its Old Town, Town Hall and more. The Grossmünster Church is a Zurich landmark with its two huge towers, and reformer Huldreich Zwingli once served as its pastor. Zurich’s oldest church, St. Peter’s Church, has the largest church clock face in the world, and nearby is the famous blue-green steeple of the Fraumünster Church, originally a 9th century Gothic abbey for noblewomen. In the 20th century, breathtaking stained glass windows were added by artists Augusto Giacometti and Marc Chagall. Dinner and overnight in Zurich.

Day 11 – Interlaken and Alpine Drive

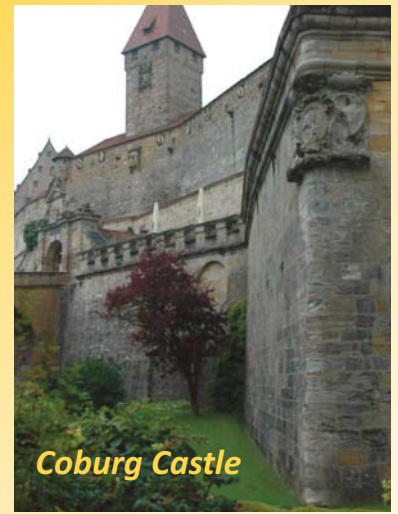
Enjoy a scenic drive through the Alps to the town of Interlaken, surrounded by major peaks alongside two mountain lakes. Continue on to Chillon Castle to walk the grounds of this fortification that has guarded the southern pass of Lake Geneva for over 800 years. Dinner and overnight in area between Chillon and Geneva.

Day 12 – Geneva

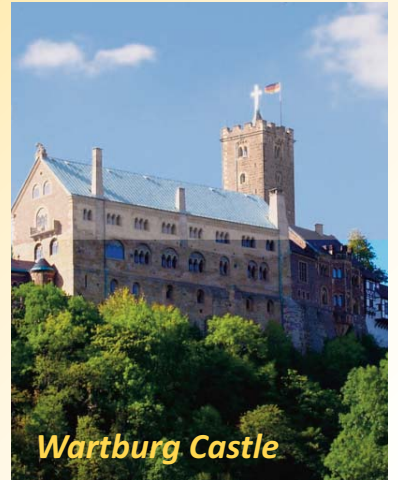
Start your day in Geneva at the Reformation Museum, right next door to the Cathedral of Saint Peter, now a reformed church. The impressive Reformation Monument features 15-foot statues of Reformation leaders. See the UN Palace and the Council of Churches headquarters before enjoying some free time on your own. Be sure to see the Flower Clock and intriguing Jet d’Eau, shooting water over 400 feet into the air. Return to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 13 – Return Home

Check out of your hotel and head home, filled with beautiful memories of God’s creation and a better understanding of the Reformation.



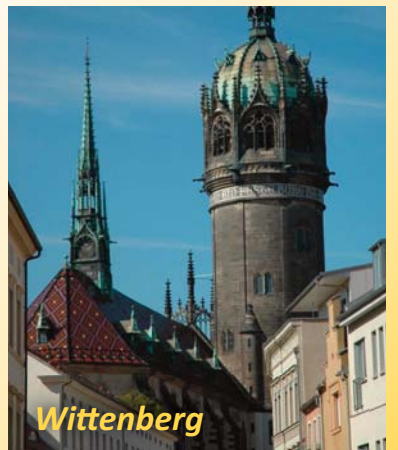
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