

## September 21 - October 1, 2024

# WITH LAURENCIA CARATTINI



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Can't wait for you to join our fabulous group making memories together!



## SEPTEMBER 19 - 22, 2024 FOR \$1,198\*

## **SEPTEMBER 19 - DEPART THE USA**

Your pilgrimage begins as you depart the USA on your international overnight flight.

## **SEPTEMBER 20 - ARRIVE IN ROME**

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#### **SEPTEMBER 21 - VATICAN CITY & CHRISTIAN ROME**

Visit the Vatican, and explore its museum. Marvel at the beauty of St. Peter's Basilica and stand in awe of Michelangelo's frescoes in the Sistine Chapel. Next, on to the Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls. The present structure stands over the place where Constantine built the first church over Saint Paul's grave. The church features a portrait of every pope who has served the church. Climb the graceful Spanish Steps and stop at the famous Trevi Fountain before returning to your hotel this evening.

#### **SEPTEMBER 22 - ANCIENT ROME**

Discover the history woven throughout Rome with visits to the Colosseum, the Pantheon, the Forum, Circus Maximus, the Arch of Titus, the Baths of Caracalla and the Arch of Constantine today. After touring, you will be transferred to the Port of Civitavecchia to board the Odyssey of the Seas.



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#### **SEPTEMBER 23 - NAPLES (POMPEII)**

Journey inland to ancient Pompeii, dating almost to the time of Paul, where you can see the spectacular ruins that were covered by ash from the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in AD 79.

## **SEPTEMBER 24 - AT SEA**

#### SEPTEMBER 25 - ATHENS & CORINTH

Discover the rich architectural splendor of the ancient city of Athens as you explore the world-renowned Acropolis, the Propylaea, the Parthenon and the Erechtheum. Stand on Mars Hill as the apostle Paul did when he proclaimed, "I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, he declare I unto you". Also, view the House of Parliament, the Presidential Palace, and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. This afternoon, tour the city of Corinth, where the apostle Paul met fellow tentmakers Aquila and Priscilla and received a vision from the Lord saying, "I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have many people in this city". As Paul spoke, Crispus (chief ruler of the synagogue) and many others believed and were baptized, establishing the church at Corinth to whom Paul later wrote his two epistles. Discover the archaeological museum, marketplace and temples. As you walk among the ruins, stand on the Bema, where the Apostle Paul stood before Gallio to face charges brought against him by the Jews. Overnight in Athens.

## **SEPTEMBER 26 - EPHESUS**

Ephesus is one of the Seven Churches of Revelation and was once a bustling port town with wide, colonnade-bordered streets and a population of 250,000. Spectacular excavations have revealed much of the glory of ancient Ephesus, including the huge agora and library, but much has yet to be recovered. The ancient world once declared the Temple of Artemis to be one of the Seven Wonders of the World, but today, only a single column remains to mark its site. View the terrace houses, also known as "the houses of the rich," which give a true impression of the ancient lifestyle. Explore the Museum of Ephesus for an up-close look at ancient artifacts. You will have time to explore on your own and recreate some of the footsteps of Paul.

## **SEPTEMBER 27 - SANTORINI**

Dock in Santorini today, one of the most beautiful of the Greek islands, where picturesque, whitewashed villages topped with brilliant blue domes stand in stark contrast to the sheer drop cliffs overlooking the Aegean Sea. The island itself perches on the edges of a volcano whose eruption 3,500 years ago is thought to have led to the collapse of the Minoan civilization. Explore the island on your own or join one of the optional excursions available for purchase onboard.

Shore excursions today will be booked directly through the cruise line.

## **SEPTEMBER 28 - MYKONOS**

Nestled in the heart of Greece's Cyclades archipelago, Mykonos pulses with irrepressible energy. With its powder white houses and sparkling blue waters, the Island of the Winds is as colorful as the people who call the island home. You can walk narrow marble pathways laced with purple bougainvillea blooms or go cycling on two wheels past off-the-path Ano Mera village. Explore Greece's maritime history at Armenistis Lighthouse and check out the Folklore Museum's Mykonian ship models. At the end of the day, watch the sun burn out beyond an Aegean horizon from an open-air seaside taverna.

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## **SEPTEMBER 29 - CHANIA, CRETE**

Delve into a Cretan cultural experience that includes guided sightseeing at Lake Kournas, the Arkadi Monastery and the bustling town of Rethymnon. The first stop is at Lake Kournas, where you'll savor a delicious treat of traditional cheese pie with honey among white sands and ancient olive trees. Next up is a tour of the fortress-like monastery, whose history dates to Byzantine times. Finish with a stroll through distinctively ancient yet distinctly modern Rethymnon.

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## **SEPTEMBER 30 - AT SEA**

## **OCTOBER 1 - RETURN TO THE USA**



## YOUR PRICE FROM NEW YORK INCLUDES:

Round-trip International Airfare & Overseas Transfers Additional baggage & optional fees may apply; see fine print for details

Fuel Surcharges and Government Taxes (Subject to change) Shore Excursions as listed on itinerary • Most Meals Admin. Fees • Port Charges • Cruise Taxes



# **REV. MAGREY DEVEGA**

Magrey deVega is the senior pastor of Hyde Park United Methodist Church in Tampa, Florida. He is the author of eleven books, most recently The Bible

Year: a Journey through Scripture in 365 Days and Questions Jesus Asked: A Six-Week Study in the Gospels, both by Abingdon Press. He has been the featured speaker and workshop presenter at conferences across the country and is the proud father of two college-aged children, who share his love for reading, Marvel movies, and live theater.



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## **OCTOBER 3 - RETURN TO THE USA**

#### **TRAVEL REGISTRATION FORM**

#### Please mail completed form with payment and passport copy to: Laurencia Carattini | BENN Travel Services

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#### Departure City: Departure Date: 09/21/24 (C) First, Middle & Last Name must be submitted as it appears on your passport: Guest 1: First Name: (Name Tag:) Middle Name: Last Name: Title<sup>.</sup> Street Address: P.O. Box: City: State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_ Dietary Restrictions: Phone: Alt. Phone: Email<sup>.</sup> Birth Date: \_\_\_/ \_\_/ \_\_\_/ Sex: C M C F State of Birth Emergency Contact: Phone: How did you learn about this tour? Tour Selection: Dasic Program Only Add Rome Pre-Tour Add Rome Post-Tour - - t O. Einst Name

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\_(Required, only used if 1<sup>st</sup> choice is unavailable) Alternate:

#### Roommate(s):

#### If No Roommate: Try to Match Me Single Room (availability limited) Important Information Regarding Travel Protection Plan:

1 Travel Protection coverage cannot be added after you have paid in full 2 Premium is based on TOTAL cost of trip and is non-refundable.	I. I Accept I I Decline
3 Coverage begins when your premium payment is received	Guest 2:
(separate from deposit & clearly designated as your travel protection premium).	I Accept I Decline

#### \$250 DEPOSIT PER PERSON REQUIRED WITH REGISTRATION FINAL PAYMENT DUE 05/24/24

Payment: \$

□ via check: # PASSENGER AGREEMENT

By signing and submitting the registration form, I/we certify that I/we have read Passenger Agreement, Program Conditions, and Statements of Responsibility of the brochure, understand its content, and agree to its terms including but not limited to the potential for price increases that may apply before payment in full has been received as set forth in the Program Conditions and Statements of Responsibility of the brochure and potential price increases after payment in full has been received due to government imposed taxes and fees.

Guest 1 Signature:

Guest 2 Signature:

#### Tour: TJ24 Date: 092124 Code: C ID: 33256

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**Travel Protection Plan - Premium Rates** For a full description of the plan, go to: www.tripmate.com/wpF427X

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## Part A -Travel Arrangement Benefits are provided by Educational Travel Services. Part B - Travel Protection Benefits are provided by United States Fire Insurance Co. \*For New York Residents Only: Part A Benefits are travel arrangement benefits underwritten by United States Insurance Company.

#### **Conditions and Limitations**

Containing and the plan available for all Travel Protection sales for Trips departing January 1, 2013 and after. Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the Certificate of Coverage. For example, coverage does not apply to any Sickness or condition of you, a Traveling Companion of a Family Member Traveling with you that existed during the 60 days prior to the effective date of the coverage (The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion is waived if payment for this plan is received by Educational Travel Services at or before the final payment due date for Your Trip or 105 days before departure date, whichever occurs first), suicide, normal pregnancy, war or any act of war. Other Coverage Resons, as defined, includes the following events or their consequences: Cancellation or Interruption of your Trip due to: Inclement Weather, unannounced Strike, mechanical breakdown that causes complete cessation of services of Your Common Carrier for at least 12 consecutive hours; a documented traffic accident while en route to the emergency service of government to privide aid or relief in the event of a natural disaster; a documented traffic accident while en route to the emergency services of government to privide aid or relief in the event of a natural disaster; a documented traffic accident while en route to departure; being higacked or quarantimed; jury duty, destruction of your home or destination by firs; finded bit of passports or visas; a faraster of employment of 250 miles or more; or Revocation of military leave. For further information ask for the left of passports or visas; a faraster of employment of 250 miles or more; or Revocation of military leave. For further information ask for the edit of your purchase of the plant. This plan is underwritten by: United States fire Insurance (Mather Mather M

INCLUDED IN PRICE: • Round-trip international airfare & overseas transfers • Cruise • Shore excursions (as listed in itinerary) • Deluxe motorcoaches • Meals on ship • Cruise Taxes \$131 • Port charges \$375 • Program fees • Administrative fee • Fuel surcharges • Government Taxes \$98 (Increases in government tax and fees are subject to change) • Tor the UDED IN DELCE.

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Price is based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms/cabins are often smaller than doubles. While we will try to match roommates, we cannot guarantee one will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 35 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or if you request a single, the following single room/cabin charges apply: Category 4V • \$2200; 2N • \$2400; 40 • \$2500 for basic itinerary. **\$399 for the Rome Pre-Tour, \$399 Rome Post-Tour**. Single staterooms are extremely limited and subject to confirmation. **PAYMENT SCHEDULE:** 

Payment	Amount	Due Date
Registration Deposit	\$250	Due at time of registration
2nd Deposit	\$250	01/25/24
3rd Deposit	\$500	03/25/24
Final Payment	Full Payment	05/24/24   If paid after the due date, a late payment fee of \$100 will be assessed.
Travel Protection Premium Amount	The Travel Protection Plan premium will be due no later than 05/24/24 to be in full effect. Travel protection premiums must be paid in addition to your deposits and in advance of the final payment for coverage to be in effect. After 01/25/24 or once we have sold out of our allotment of cabins we can no longer guarantee cabin pricing. Cabins purchased after this date will be subject to availability and may require a supplemental charge.	
Cabin Availability		

REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED after May 24, 2024: We welcome registrations after 05/24/24. Registrations received between 05/25/24 - 06/23/24 will incur a \$100 per person fee. Registrations received between 06/24/24 - 07/08/24 will incur a \$200 per person fee. Registrations received on 07/09/24 or later will be subject to cabin availability and may require a supplemental cabin charge as well as the air fees above. Additional fees will be advised upon registration.

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STATEMENTS OF RESPONSIBILITY We do not accept responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air schedules, hotel overbookings, other hotel related problems or causes, and/or travel supplier cancellations or postponements. Travel suppliers include all tour operators, cruise lines, airlines, hotels, bus companies, entertainment venues, and any other travel supplier used to operate the tour. All such losses or expenses will be the responsibility of the passenger. We reserve the right to make adjustments to the ilineary as we deem desirable, and we reserve the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. If a tour is canceled beyond our control, we will provide a refund or a future travel credit to be used two years from the date of issuance for the value of all funds paid by the passenger less nonrefundable travel supplier prepaid deposits, travel supplier change fees, nonrefundable travel protection premiums, and a \$150 administration fee. FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT: FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT:

FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT: Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Because many of the sites are not accessible to the physically challenged and space limitations on tour buses, wheelchairs and scooters cannot be accommodated. Those needing oxygen or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting in their experiences. Persons using C-pap machines requiring distilled water will need to inform us ahead of time, so we can work with local operators to prepare as it is not always available. We reserve the right or fuse or rooke travel to anyone who is, in our sole judgment, incapable of group travel without causing undue demands upon the staff or other tour participants. Accessible rooms/cabins, please contact us for more details. PASSPORT INFORMATION & CHECK IN PROCESS.

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PASSPORT INFORMATION & CHECK IN PROCESS: Passport information must be submitted to our office no later than 05/24/24. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date may result in change fees or denial of travel. Discrepancies in information may result in change fees, delays in receiving travel documents for your trip, or denial of travel. Any fees incurred due to discrepancies are the responsibility of the passenger. You will also be required to check in with the cruise line prior to travel and according to the cruise line's requirements and instructions provided in your final documents. PRICE INCREASES

PRICE INCREASES All prices quoted in this brochure are subject to change prior to payment in full due to currency fluctuations, fuel surcharge increases, government taxes and fees increases or unforeseen circumstances. In addition, you may be subject to a price increases after payment in full has been received due to potential government imposed taxes and fees. AIRLINE ROUTES and TICKETS: In order to keep prices low, we do not guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. Once issued, airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation toffrom your destination will be economy class on IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together on entire titinerary. If you choose to depart from a different icty than your group or traveling companion, or deviate your flight and/or trip plans, and/or you are taking a pre or post tour, you may fly on a different scheduled flight(s) than the rest of your group. If you make your own air arrangements, you are responsible for booking all needed flights for your travel unless specified otherwise. Contact guest services for further details. FLIGHT TIMES AND SEATING:

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TINERARY CHANGES: Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While we will make every effort to ensure you will be all sites listed in this brochure, the availability of sites, order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in cruise line, airline, hotel schedules, and local conditions. No changes to the tilnerary are effective unless approved in writing and signed by an authorized officer of the tour operator. Except as stated herein, no other person is authorized to cancel, modify or vary the tour arrangements or to make any representation of warranty concerning the tour.

#### PREGNANCY/INFANT REGULATIONS

**PRESUMANCY/INFANT REGULATIONS** As to pregnancy, a woman cannot have begun her 24th week of pregnancy at any time before or during the cruise. If you are pregnant, please provide a medical note upon arrival at the pier for check-in from your physician stating your expected due date and medical fitness to travel. If you are in the 24th week or have completed it you will not be allowed to board. Because of the limited medical facilities, infrants must be at least 24 weeks (6 months) of age on the first day of the cruise and 1 year old for international cruises.

VALIDITY DATE: This brochure is valid until 02/10/24. Registrations will still be accepted after the validity date.

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#### PROGRAM CONDITIONS