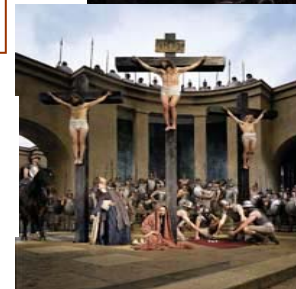


# A tour of Martin Luther's Germany including the 2010 Passion Play



Join Pastor Paul on an eight day journey through Luther's Germany. We will tour historic sites significant to Martin Luther and end our tour with the *Passion Play* in Oberammergau, Germany.



**September 4 - 11, 2010**  
Departs & Returns USA

**Land Only \$3199.00 per person, double**  
Single supplement \$975.00

*Call for information on airfare.*

## Tour highlights include...

- Deluxe motorcoach transportation
- Hotel accommodation
- Breakfast buffet and dinner daily except dinner in Leipzig on day 5
- Lunch prior to the Passion Play and dinner during intermission
- Entrance fees for all tours listed on itinerary
- Services of our Professional English speaking tour director
- Comprehensive sightseeing includes: Monument to the Reformation and the Cathedral in Worms, Wartburg Castle, the Church of St. Steverin and The Augustinian Monastery in Erfurt, and the Market Church of our Dear Lady and the special exhibition showing Luther's death mask and the Holy Bible with his handwritten notes in Halle.
- Leipzig, Bach's city including St. Thomas Church where Bach was organist.
- Admission to the Passion Play. Accommodations in or around Oberammergau at a four star hotel and dinner during the 3 hour intermission the evening of the play.
- Sightseeing as outlined in itinerary.

***Don't miss this extraordinary opportunity.  
Tour is based on first come, first serve basis.  
Please reserve early.***

The history of the Passion Play at Oberammergau goes back to 1632, when the quaint alpine village was threatened by the deadly and contagious disease known as the Black Plague. The plague scoured Europe, killing two-thirds of the population of Germany. In 1632 nearly every family bemoaned one or more victims as a consequence of the Black Death. The people of Oberammergau vowed at the cemetery Beinhof that if the village could be spared, a re-enactment of the life and suffering of Christ would be performed. The village was miraculously saved from the ravages of the Black Death. Since that date, the play has been performed every ten years.

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*Travel arrangements provided by Viking Travel Service.*

### **Day 1: Depart USA**

### **Day 2: Frankfurt-Worms**

We arrive at the Frankfurt Airport, and meet our escort and driver who will stay with us throughout the trip. Drive to Worms, city of the 1521 Edict, to see the impressive Monument to the Reformation and the Cathedral in this important center of the Reformation. Worms was the site of Luther's trial for heresy and it was in the Cathedral, standing before the Roman Emperor Karl V, that he uttered his faith-affirming, death defying proclamation. "Here I stand. I can do nothing else. God help me. Amen." Pastor Johns will hold a brief vesper service at the hotel. Overnight in Worms. (B,D)

### **Day 3: Worms-Wartburg Castle-Eisenach-Erfurt**

We drive to Eisenach and visit the Wartburg Castle, where Luther found refuge during the Imperial Ban. The Castle, built in the 11th century, was where Luther translated the New Testament in the years 1521-1522. In Eisenach, birthplace of Johann Sebastian Bach, listen to some of his marvelous music played on historic instruments. Visit the Luther House museum. Continue to the historic town of Erfurt, where Luther studied at the university and where our tour includes a visit to the Cathedral, the Church of St. Severin, and the important Augustinian Monastery, built in 1277. Luther was a monk here from 1505 until 1511. Overnight in Erfurt. (B,D)

### **Day 4: Halle-Eisleben-Leipzig**

We visit Halle where Luther stayed in 1510 for the granting of an appeal to the Pope. See the Market Church of our Dear Lady and visit the special exhibition showing Luther's death mask and a Holy Bible with his handwritten notes. Continue on to Eisleben which ranks amongst the most significant of all places connected with him. Old manuscripts indicate that he felt a special affinity towards Eisleben. We visit the house of his birth and see the house where he died. We see St. Andrew's Church where he preached his last sermon and where his body was laid out. We also see the Church of St. Peter and St. Paul where he was christened. Enjoy some time at leisure to see the marketplace and other points of interest such as St. Anne's Church with the famous biblical scenes hewn in stone and the buildings of the former St. Augustine's Monastery before driving to Leipzig. Overnight in Leipzig. (B,D)

### **Day 5: Leipzig-Wittenberg-Dessau-Leipzig**

We visit Leipzig, Bach's city, where our sightseeing will include St. Thomas Church where Bach was organist and choirmaster. Drive to Wittenberg and view the birthplace of the Reformation and the home city of Frederick the Wise who was protector of Luther. Luther lived here from 1508 until his death. Visit All Saints Castle Church where Luther nailed his 95 Theses to the door and which contains the graves of Luther and Melanchthon. See the university where Luther taught and visit Melanchthon's House as well as the Luther House which is the largest and greatest museum of Reformation history in the world. We will also visit the Stadtkirche of St. Marien where Luther used to preach and see the Luther monument and the renaissance Town Hall. Then drive to Dessau where on 2nd April 1534, the Dessau Princes professed the Reformation. See the main points of interest including St. John's Church before returning to Leipzig. Overnight in Leipzig. (B)

### **Day 6: Leipzig-Coburg-Augsburg**

This morning we drive to Coburg. Luther stayed in the Coburg Fortress for six months in order to follow the negotiations at the Imperial Diet in Augsburg. We visit the Luther room and the Luther Chapel. We continue to Rothenburg, the best medieval jewel in Germany and drive along the Romantic Road to Augsburg. Overnight in Augsburg. (B,D)

### **Day 7: Augsburg – Oberammergau – Passion Play**

This morning we enjoy a short orientation tour through the ancient Roman Imperial Capital of Augsburg where Lutheran Princes confessed their faith in 1530. Then continue to Oberammergau. On the way we will make a stop to visit the Church in the Meadow (Kirche in der Wies), a jewel among rococo churches in Europe. After lunch we take our seats to attend the performance of the world-famous Passion Play. The play is performed by local villagers – often roles are handed down from generation to generation within families. Dinner included during a 3 hours break in the late afternoon. Performance lasts until 10:30 PM. Overnight in or around Oberammergau. (B,L,D)

### **Day 8: Munich airport**

This morning we transfer to Munich airport for the return flight. (B)

## **BOOKING INSTRUCTIONS & TERMS & CONDITIONS**

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**Not Included:** Air transportations and taxes, cancellation/travel insurance, passport fee, and increases in security fees, taxes and fuel surcharges. Items of personal nature, such as liquor, optional excursions, escort and guide gratuities or anything not specifically indicated as included. Transfers included provided flights meet required arrival and departure guidelines.

**Documentation:** A U.S. passport valid for six months beyond your return date is required.

**St. Andrew's Lutheran Church  
Passion Play 2010 and Luther's Germany  
September 4 ~ September 11, 2010**

Please indicate:  Double Occupancy  Single Occupancy

Airfare:  No, I will arrange my own air\*.  Yes, please contact me regarding air. Air City: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Arrival and departure transfers included provided they meet flight time guidelines.*

**Passenger 1.** First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_  
(As it appears on your passport)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ Issue Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any physical or dietary restriction we should be aware of?  No  Yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be celebrating a special occasion while traveling? Occasion: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please fill out separate reservation form if not traveling with spouse.**

**Passenger 2.** First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_  
(As it appears on your passport)

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any physical or dietary restriction we should be aware of?  No  Yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

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| <u>Coverage</u>                  | <u>Maximum Benefits</u>  | <u>Coverage</u>                     | <u>Maximum Benefits</u>                   |
|----------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| Trip Cancellation                | Trip Cost  | Missed Connection                   | \$250                                     |
| Trip Interruption                | 150% of Trip Cost  | Trip Interruption – Return Air Only | \$750 or 150% of trip cost                |
| Medical Expenses                 | \$25,000   | Trip Delay                          | \$750 ( <i>Maximum of \$150 per day</i> ) |
| Emergency Medical Transportation | \$500,000  | Baggage Delay                       | \$300                                     |
| Baggage & Personal Effects Loss  | \$1000 ( <i>includes lost, stolen or damaged luggage or travel documents</i> ) |                                     |   |

**Trip Cost per Person**

|                          | <u>Age &amp; Cost</u> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |            |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|
|                          | <u>0-34 YRS.</u>      | <u>35-59 YRS.</u> | <u>60-69 YRS.</u> | <u>70-74 YRS.</u> | <u>75-79 YRS.</u> | <u>80-84 YRS.</u> | <u>85+</u> |
| <b>\$3,001 - \$3,500</b> | \$130                 | \$150             | \$215             | \$373             | \$429             | \$469             | \$553      |
| <b>\$3,501 - \$4,000</b> | \$148                 | \$164             | \$244             | \$414             | \$455             | \$580             | \$632      |
| <b>\$4,001 - \$4,500</b> | \$165                 | \$187             | \$308             | \$445             | \$490             | \$616             | \$693      |
| <b>\$4,501 - \$5,000</b> | \$184                 | \$209             | \$346             | \$476             | \$524             | \$697             | \$765      |
| <b>\$5,001 - \$5,500</b> | \$211                 | \$247             | \$380             | \$507             | \$560             | \$821             | \$894      |

Insurance is based on price of package and your age.

Insurance may be purchased by credit card with no additional charges or fees.

\*Please add \$7.00 per person or per married couple for Travel Guard's service fee. NOTE: Insurance costs are subject to possible increase at any time.

## PAYMENT INFORMATION

Enclosed is payment for \_\_\_\_\_ people (person).

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Insurance:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I (we) have chosen to purchase the offered insurance.

\_\_\_\_\_ I (we) are aware of the cancellation penalties but choose **not** to purchase the offered cancellation/travel insurance.

Insurance amount for name 1. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance amount for name 2. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance company administrative fee: (*per transaction*) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ 7.00\_\_

**Total amount enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please charge my **reservation & insurance** to my credit card: \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ MasterCard \_\_\_\_\_ American Express

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expires: \_\_\_\_\_ Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Card Holder: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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