

# Bible Lands Cruise &#8211; Journeys of Paul

13 Day Cruise

10/22/2024 - 11/03/2024

Come on an adventure with us and sail with Brent Top, Terry & Fiona Givens as they inspire us with incredible presentations on sea days. Learn about the travels and teachings of the apostle Paul and other gospel topics. Experience history, culture, and civilization at every turn on this extraordinary itinerary. Join our private tours available for most ports. Explore the highlights of Limassol, the second largest city on the island and its medieval castle, a former crusader stronghold. In the Old Town of Rhodes see 2,400 years of ancient statues, marble crests, the fountain, the Palace and the Street of the Knights. Ride a cable car and wander the narrow cobblestone streets of the breathtaking villages of Oia and Fira in Santorini. Join Brent, Terry, Fiona and our adventurous LDS group as we create memories to last a lifetime!

Pre-cruise tour & Excursion pricing will be updated once we have our contracts finalized with our vendors.

Join us for our 2-night pre-cruise tour in Rome! Transfers Included

Day 1 - October 19, 2024: Depart the U.S. on your flight to Rome (FCO).

Day 2 - October 20, 2024: Arrive in Rome and take the hotel shuttle to the hotel. You can explore the city on your own or just relax and prepare for tomorrow's tour.

Day 3 - October 21, 2024: Our "Highlights of Rome" takes us to the Roman Colosseum. The Roman Colosseum is located in the heart of Rome. It is the largest ancient amphitheater ever built and is still the largest standing. The Catacombs of Rome are underground burial places sprinkled all around the city. Today we enter only one of the many. We see many other important sites as we stroll along including the famous Trevi Fountain and the Pantheon. An authentic Italian dinner is included.

Day 4 - October 22, 2024: Today we load our luggage on the bus and head to the Vatican. Our tour takes us to the Vatican City Museum, the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica. Following our visit we board our bus for transport to our cruise ship.

November 3, 2024 - Transfer from ship to Rome airport.

\$700 per person, based on double occupancy and when paying by check or ACH.

## Headliners:



Brent Top



Terryl Givens



Fiona Givens

## Itinerary:

### Day 1: Rome (Civitavecchia), Italy

October 22, 2024 (Tuesday)

Join us for a 2-night pre-cruise tour or meet up with us onboard the ship. If you want to attend the

Rome temple, you can fly in early and make your own arrangements for attending a session on Saturday.

## **Day 2: Naples, Italy**

October 23, 2024 (Wednesday)

We head to the ancient city of Pompeii. We spend some time strolling through the ancient ruins as our guide shares details about the lives' of the residents before the great eruption. We have an opportunity to view the somber and incredible plaster casts of some of the victims of the Mt. Vesuvius eruption. Mt. Vesuvius can be seen from Pompeii. Our tour continues with a scenic drive through the beautiful countryside along a coastal road. After about an hour we arrive at the wonderful town of Sorrento. Here you enjoy some free time to shop, eat or just admire the picturesque views of Sorrento.

\$140 per person if paying by check or ACH.

## **Day 3: At Sea**

October 24, 2024 (Thursday)

Lectures at Sea

## **Day 4: Athens (Piraeus), Greece**

October 25, 2024 (Friday)

We start our exciting day with a one-hour scenic bus ride to visit ancient Corinth where Paul arrived in 51 AD. We take a look at the famous Corinth Canal and enjoy lunch featuring authentic Greek cuisine. We then head back to Athens where we visit the Acropolis, including the Parthenon, Erechteion, Temple of Athena Nike and more. We will also be able to see Mars Hill where Paul once preached. We drive by other interesting sites as we make our way back to our ship.

\$150 per person if paying by check or ACH. Lunch included.

## **Day 5: Santorini, Greece**

October 26, 2024 (Saturday)

We are picked up from the old port of Fira where we take a water taxi to Athinios port and our bus. We enjoy a guided walk through the quiet, picturesque village of Magalochori. Following our visit, we drive to Profitis Ilias, the highest point on the island, for a scenic photo stop. Our next stop be the Monolithos Black Beach (no swimming) where we have a short time to enjoy the water and beach. We then journey to Oia, the northern most village where we see the classic blue domed buildings, the ruins of a Venetian castle and admire the breathtaking view over the caldera. We have time on our own to explore or eat. We take in any sights we might have missed as we enjoy the journey back to the port.

\$95 per person if paying by check or ACH.

## **Day 6: Rhodes, Greece**

October 27, 2024 (Sunday)

We begin our day in Rhodes with a drive past the Mandraki Old Harbor, where according to tradition, the Colossus of Rhodes once stood. We drive by the Northern point of the island where the Mediterranean and the Aegean Sea meet. We enjoy a panoramic drive and photo stop at the Ancient Acropolis of Rhodes. We drive to Lindos where we make a photo stop at St. Paul's bay, made famous by the Guns of Navarone movie. We spend time in the village of Lindos and have time on our own to hike to the Acropolis of Lindos, for an additional fee, to shop and to grab lunch. Following our visit to Lindos we drive along the coastal road of Faliraki. We arrive in Rhodes and go to the D'Amboise Gate which is the highest point of the medieval city. We follow our guide on a tour of some of the most important monuments of the old town, including: The Grand Master's Palace, the Street of the Knights, and the Ruins of Saint John Cathedral. We then return to our ship.

Price: \$100 per person if paying by check or ACH.

## **Day 7: Limassol, Cyprus**

October 28, 2024 (Monday)

Explore on your own.

## **Day 8: Sea Day**

October 29, 2024 (Tuesday)

Lectures at Sea with Brent, Terryl & Fiona

## **Day 9: Ephesus (Kusadasi), Turkey**

October 30, 2024 (Wednesday)

Our tour takes us to one of the most impressive archaeological sites in the world, Ephesus. We tour the terrace houses that are part of the Ephesus site. We see the Odeon, the marble street where Paul held daily discussions, the Library of Celcus, the Temple of Hadrian and the great theater. We spend several hours strolling through this site. Following this we board the bus for a quick photo stop at the Artemision or Temple of Artemis. We return to the port at Kusadasi and you have the option of remaining on land for shopping or boarding the ship and relaxing. \$70 per person if paying by check or ACH.

## **Day 10: Mykonos, Greece**

October 31, 2024 (Thursday)

We board a boat that takes us to the ruins of the archaeological site of Delos. Delos is located on Delos Island which is an uninhabited Greek Isle. We have a guided walking tour of the ruins with some time to explore on our own. Delos is the mythical birthplace of Apollo. It was a major religious center as well. We see ancient Doric temples, mosaics, and an amphitheater. If the museum has completed its renovations, we can see many of the artifacts excavated from the site. We return back to the port of Mykonos. For those who wish there is time to explore Mykonos on your own or you can get back on the ship and relax. In Mykonos, you can grab a bite to eat, shop and enjoy the windmills from up close. \$90 per person if paying by check or ACH.

## **Day 11: Chania (Souda), Crete, Greece**

November 1, 2024 (Friday)

Our adventure on Crete takes us to the White Mountains. We embark on a safari tour aboard premium off-road vehicles. Be aware that the roads are very windy and those prone to motion sickness may not enjoy the experience. The driver tells us all about the area as we journey to the White Mountains. We visit Therissos a traditional Cretan village and learn about the lifestyle of the Cretan shepherd. Our educational experience includes stepping inside an original shepherd's hut. We enjoy a traditional Greek lunch together in the village.

\$114 per person if paying by check or ACH. Lunch included.

## **Day 12: At Sea**

November 2, 2024 (Saturday)

Lectures at Sea

## **Day 13: Rome (Civitavecchia), Italy**

November 3, 2024 (Sunday)

Transfer from the ship back to the airport (included if you book the pre-cruise tour in Rome with Bountiful Travel).

## **Information:**

Ship Information: Royal Caribbean Odyssey of the Seas

It's time to see how just far adventure can take you. Introducing the newest Royal Caribbean gamechanger, and the first Quantum Ultra Class cruise ship to sail in the U.S and Europe – Odyssey of the Sea. Cue the thrills with unforgettable experiences onboard the cruise ship, dig in to delicious dining from around the world, or soak up the sun at a newly designed resort-style pool deck that brings

the island vibes poolside. From bow to stern and St. Thomas to Santorini, itâ€™s bold in every direction.

## **Pricing:**

All Rates are per person based on double occupancy. Call for rates on 3rd and 4th persons in same cabin. Organize 8 cabins and earn \$1,528.00 towards your cabin!

### **CABIN TYPE CRUISE RATES**

Inside \$2030.00 per person, based on double occupancy

Balcony Call for pricing

Taxes & Govt. Fees \$180.54

Pricing Terms and Conditions: Advertised rates INCLUDE port charges but DO NOT INCLUDE shore excursions, airfare, or gratuities.

Deposit: A \$450 deposit, per person, is required to confirm your booking.

Final payment is due July 17, 2024.

Deposit is refundable prior to final payment without penalty. Within three months of the cruise, the tours and cruise are non-refundable.

This cruise often sells out early.

Check Your Invoice Names: Please check to see that your names are spelled correctly. Your first and last names must appear as they appear on your passport for International travel and Driverâ€™s License for domestic tours.

PASSPORTS ARE REQUIRED and should be valid 6 months after the end of the tour.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Due to the nature of this tour you must be able to climb stairs and walk unassisted at a moderate pace 4-7 miles per day.

Please note that minor changes to the itinerary may occur due to local conditions and to better accommodate our group.