GREECE & TURKEY

13 Day Tour | April 4 – 16, 2027





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Information & Reservations

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Footsteps of Apostles Paul & John
April 4-16, 2027
from $3995/person plus Airfare
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Trip Itinerary

Sunday, April 4 – Departure from Cincinnati to Thessaloniki, Greece via overnight flight.

Monday, April 5 – Arrive in Thessaloniki, where Paul wrote letters to the newly founded churches in the New Testament books of I & II Thessalonians. We will transfer to our hotel for a one-night stay and enjoy dinner near the Mediterranean Sea.

Tuesday, April 6 – In Thessaloniki, we will visit the old city ramparts, the 4th century Rotunda, and stop at the famous white tower. As we travel east, we will enjoy a visit to the Lion of Amphipolis, a 4th century BC tomb sculpture honoring an important general of Alexander the Great. We will settle in for two nights at our hotel in Kavala, known as Neapolis during St. Paul's time.

Wednesday, April 7 – After breakfast, we will travel to the ancient city of Philippi and visit a crypt dating from the Roman period that is thought to have served as a prison for Paul and Silas. Nearby, we will visit the site where Lydia accepted Christ and was baptized, becoming the first Christian baptism on European soil. We will enjoy dinner in the beautiful seaport town of Kavala.

Thursday, April 8 – We make our way from Kavala to Izmir, Turkey. Once we arrive in Turkey, we will transfer to our hotel for a three-night stay.

Friday, April 9 – We will visit Pergamum and Smyrna, two of the Seven Churches from the book of Revelation. In Pergamum we will visit the Acropolis, viewing the foundations of the Altar of Zeus.

Saturday, April 10 – We make the short drive to the nearby town of Selcuk for a visit to ancient Ephesus. We will see the Library, Agora, theater, colorful mosaics and the amazing Terrace Houses. Next, we will visit the Ephesus Museum and the Basilica Church of St John, believed to be the final resting place of the Apostle John. Before returning to our hotel, we will see the Temple of Artemis, which is listed as one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.





Sunday, April 11 – We will make our way via ferry to the island of Patmos, where St. John was exiled for the crime of preaching the good news of Jesus. We will settle in our seaside hotel and enjoy walking to the nearby town for dining (and shopping).



Monday, April 12 – After breakfast, we will visit the beautiful Isle of Patmos. We will visit the cave where tradition says John received the revelation that we now know as the final book of the New Testament. Next, we will visit the Holy Monastery, which houses fragments of 6th century copies of the gospel of Mark. In the late evening, we head to the port for an overnight ferry to Athens.

Tuesday, April 13 – We arrive in the port of Athens and pass by the Corinth Canal on our way to the ancient town of Corinth, the city that inspired many of Paul's letters. We will visit the Archaeological Museum, the Market Place, the Temples and the Bema seat. We will then travel to Athens for a three-night stay.

Wednesday, April 14 – After breakfast, we will travel to Delphi – the ancient sanctuary of Apollo, where we will gain a greater understanding of the Greek religious heritage and their influence on the early Christian church. Dinner and overnight are in Athens

Thursday, April 15 – In Athens, we will visit the Acropolis, the Parthenon and stand atop Mars Hill where Paul stood and preached the truth to the Gentile nation. This evening, we will have time to visit the village of Plaka, which has a multitude of shops and cafes.

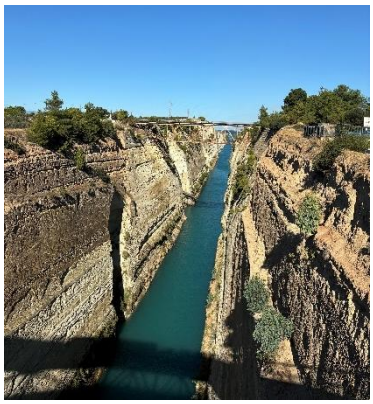
Friday, April 16 – Flight from Athens, Greece to Cincinnati (Same Day arrival in USA)

*Trip Itinerary will be adjusted based on the local ferry and flight schedules. Final itinerary provided at least one month prior to trip departure.





Pricing



$3995/person includes the following:

- 11 nights lodging
- 11 Breakfasts (all hotels include breakfast)
- Flights and/or Ferries required for travel while within Greece/Turkey
- Seat Assignment and Fees for 1 Checked Bag while flying within Greece/Turkey
- Transportation, Parking Fees & Driver Tips while in Greece/Turkey
- Tour Guide & Tips
- Entrance Fees to All Sites
- Pre-Trip Information Meetings to orient you to the sites we will visit

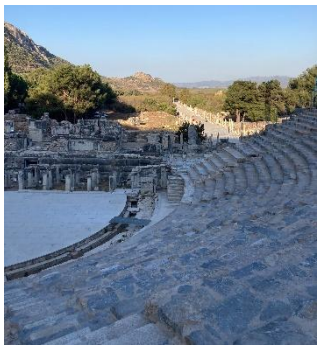
Not included:

- Airfare to and from Greece. I am happy to assist you with booking your airfare. Typical Airfare is $1400/per person. Airfare should not be booked until final itinerary is published, as arrival and departure cities may change.
- Single Supplement of $900 (if you are traveling single and prefer your own hotel room)
- Trip Insurance
- Passport, with expiration date greater than October 17, 2027
- Meals at airports on travel days
- Meals not specified above as included
- Transportation to USA airports/parking at airports



Fine Print

- Payment Schedule
  - $300 Non-Refundable Deposit
  - $1195 due December 4, 2026
  - $1250 due January 4, 2027
  - $1250 due February 4, 2027
  - Payments can be made via the 4 Corners Community Church Website, using the category "Travel". **If using debit/credit card, add 3% to cover credit card processing fees**.
  - Non-Refundable late registration fee of $200 applies for all registrations after March 4, 2027.
- Cancellation Policy (Traveler Cancels)
  - Airfare returned according to the fare policy at the time of your purchase.
  - $300 Non-Refundable Deposit applies.
  - For the remaining amount, the following cancellation charges apply:
    - Through Jan 4 – $300 Non-Refundable Deposit
    - Jan 5 – Feb 4 – 50% (50% returned to you)
    - Feb 5 – Mar 4 – 75% (25% returned to you)
    - Mar 5 – Apr 4 - 100% (0% returned to you)
- Cancellation Policy (Host Cancels and does not reschedule)
  - Airfare returned according to the fare policy at the time of your purchase.
  - Traveler receives 100% of money paid (minus $300 non-refundable deposit)
- Cancellation Policy (Trip cancelled & rescheduled due to government action, pandemic, etc.)
  - Traveler agrees to rescheduled date – Traveler agrees to pay any increased flight, hotel, transportation, etc. expenses.
  - Traveler does not agree to rescheduled date -
    - Airfare returned according to the fare policy at time of purchase.
    - Traveler receives 100% of money paid (minus $300 non-refundable deposit)



Note: Trip Requires a minimum of 8 paying travelers two months before departure (2/4/2027). If trip is cancelled due to not meeting the minimum requirement and the traveler or host does not wish to reschedule, a $100 non-refundable deposit applies. All other money received will be returned to the traveler.