

# **INCREDIBLE JOURNEYS**

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Dear Incredible Journeys Pilgrim,

Thank you for your interest in our Living Waters pilgrimage to western NY and PA Oct 15-18, 2024 led by The Rev. Susan Tiffany, associate rector, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Akron, and Randy Malick, scripture teacher and director of adult faith formation at St. Hilary in the Diocese of Cleveland. We are honored to be given the opportunity to organize such a wonderful trip for you.

Please register as soon as possible on <u>www.incrediblejourneystours.com</u> as space is very limited (one bus only) and available on a first-come-first-served basis. Costs are subject to change based on availability.

This packet includes many items of useful information. Please read them carefully, these items in particular:

- Payment Schedule
- Suggested Packing List
- Cancellation Policy

If you have any questions regarding the pilgrimage, we are here to help! Please do not hesitate to contact us at <a href="mailto:incrediblejourneystours@gmail.com">incrediblejourneystours@gmail.com</a>. We look forward to working with you to make your journey a meaningful and memorable experience.

Sincerely,
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## 1. Registration & Payment

Registration forms may be completed online at https://www.incrediblejourneystours.com.

### 1.1. Payment Schedule

The package includes bus transportation on "Baron's Bus" from/back to St. Paul Episcopal Church (1361 W Market St, Akron, OH 44313), accommodations at Wyndham hotels LaQuinta in Buffalo NY (1 night) and Ramada in Ligonier, PA (2 nights) including breakfast, 1 boxed lunch, admission fees at Falling Water.\*

October 15 - 18, 2024 U.SBased Travelers		
Per Person Based on Dual Occupancy if paid by check		
Payment constitutes acceptance of all Terms & Conditions.		
Non Refundable Deposit due by May 25, 2024	\$300 USD	
Balance due August 25, 2024	\$375 USD	

<sup>\*</sup>Space is limited-Invite a friend!

### 1.2. Cancellation

Deposits and balances are non-refundable.

## 1.3. Payment Methods

### Check

Please make checks payable to Incredible Journeys, LLC and mail to:

Incredible Journeys, LLC 3242 Dowling Drive Fairlawn, OH 44333

### **Credit Card or PayPal**

For your convenience we accept most credit cards and PayPal as a means of payment. Please note there is a 5% processing fee when using these forms of payment. These fees are listed on the website. International customers must pay online. Online payments are accepted here:

https://www.incrediblejourneystours.com/payment.

### 2. Accommodations

### 2.1. Hotels

We will be staying at two different Wyndham hotels, LaQuinta near Buffalo Airport the first night, Ramada in Ligonier, PA, the last two nights.

Both hotels provide breakfast. One boxed lunch will be provided on our journey to Niagara Falls. The purchase for all other lunches and dinners are the responsibility of each traveler. Incredible Journeys LLC, however, may need to order lunch and possibly dinner for the entire group depending on the site we are visiting, so please

have enough cash on hand for those possible scenarios. All gratuities for hotel staff and bus driver are the responsibility of our travelers. A suggested tip for the driver is \$2-3/day/traveler.

### 2.2. Roommates

The group package price is based on double occupancy. You may either request a roommate or you will be placed with someone of the same gender as close to your age as possible. A limited number of single rooms are available upon request, for an additional \$160 if paid by check.

### 2.3. Tour Bus

EXTREMELY IMPORTANT: Baron's Bus will be waiting in the St. Paul Parking Lot (1361 W Market St, Akron, OH 44313) for our 7:00 am departure, Tues, Oct 15. Please note: Unless it is necessary to leave cars parked at Church, please make arrangements to be dropped off before our departure and picked up the night of our return, Oct 18. Our group will be transported by bus each morning from the hotel to various sites and return for dinner in the evening. The tour bus is equipped with a restroom, Wi-Fi, electrical outlets, and a special Krypton™ Disinfection Lighting. "UV wavelengths are safe for human exposure because they do not penetrate the skin or eyes. As a result, Far UV can continuously disinfect viruses, bacteria, and fungi in occupied spaces." For more on bus sanitization, see <a href="https://baronsbus.com/covid-19-prevention-policies/">https://baronsbus.com/covid-19-prevention-policies/</a>

# **Packing**

### 2.4. Important Packing Tips!

Pack as light as possible! While touring, comfortable casual clothing such as jeans, shorts, and sweatshirts is recommended. Dressing in layers is also recommended. Most holy sites, such as the Shrines we will be visiting require everyone to dress modestly, for e.g. to wear pants and shirts with sleeves. There will never be a time where you have to "dress up".



- Bring a **good pair of walking shoes**; they should be comfortable, supportive, and have good tread. You can choose how much you walk, but there will be many things you may want to see at the various shrines and along the beachfront, so be prepared accordingly.
- Bring a compact umbrella, rain jacket, or poncho, some sort of collapsible hat, sunscreen, as well as fully protective sunglasses (blocks 100% of both UVA and UVB rays).
- While the hotel can provide wake-up calls, it's best to set your own watches and clocks.
- Money, jewelry, valuables, and important documents, such as your prescription drugs, your license and your **passport** should be carried with you.
- **Very important**: please bring plenty of cash for lunches and dinners, especially if we need to order for the whole group given where we will be on a given day.

### 2.5. Baggage Allowance



Each traveler is permitted to bring one piece of luggage for storage in the luggage bay of the coach. Additional bags will be accepted on the day of departure only, based on space availability.

### 2.6. Medical Conditions/Travelers Needing Special Assistance

You must inform Incredible Journeys LLC of any disability requiring special attention at the time the reservation is made. Incredible Journeys LLC will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of tour participants. It is strongly recommended that persons requiring assistance be accompanied by a companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing the assistance. Incredible Journeys LLC nor its personnel, nor its suppliers, may physically lift or assist clients into transportation vehicles or provide special individual assistance to tour members for other routine activities.



# 3. Shopping

There is time factored in for shopping at various places, including some of the religious sites' gift shops. For the sake of the group, it is important to stay close in proximity, so no one should wander off alone. It is critical for us to be back in the bus at the designated time after shopping excursions.

# 4. Sample Packing List

- Casual Clothing, Dress in Layers
- Undergarments
- Sleeping Attire
- Sealable Plastic Laundry Bags
- Jacket, Water-Resistant
- Scarf, Gloves, Umbrella (depending on season)
- Bottled water and day pack
- COMFORTABLE but supportive Walking Shoes
- Shampoo, Conditioner, Soap, Toothbrush, Toothpaste
- Personal Care Items (Deodorant, Razors, Lotion, Q-Tips, etc.)
- Eyeglasses, Readers, Contacts, Sunglasses
- Earplugs
- Medications & Vitamins
- Analgesics (Motrin, etc.)
- Travel Wallet or Money Belt
- Passport
- Credit Cards, Cash
- Camera, Phone, Electronic Devices, Chargers, Earphones, Batteries, Memory Cards, Power Brick
- Books, Music, Travel-size Bible, Rosary, and Journal for taking notes or recording insights

# 5. Helpful Reminders Before Leaving Home

- Stop Mail
- Leave Copy of House Keys With Family/Friend
- Remove Perishable Items From Refrigerator
- Empty Trash Bins
- Set Thermostat



### 1. Terms & Conditions

#### PAYMENT TERMS

1.1. Payment. Client shall strictly comply with the Payment Schedule on or before the due dates. Incredible Journeys ("IJ") accepts payment with a non-refundable 3%-5% surcharge, Visa, MasterCard, or PayPal.

### DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF IJ

- 2.1. Scope and Exclusivity. IJ shall have the duties and obligations set forth in this Section 2 and no others.
- 2.2. Services Supplied by IJ. IJ will provide the transportation, lodging and services specified as advertised on IJ website on the terms provided herein. IJ reserves the right to vary itineraries and/or destinations and to substitute hotels if circumstances beyond its control necessitate such change(s).
- 2.3. Services Excluded by IJ. All transportation, charges, services or other items not specifically identified on IJ website for this trip are <u>not</u> covered and must be paid by Client separately. Excluded services and items include, but are not limited to, tips to bus driver and hotel staffs; meals and beverages other than those noted in the tour brochure; expenses of a personal nature such as laundry, telephone, valet, etc.; porterage for hand-carried luggage; passport and visa fees; free time activities; optional excursions and coach driver and guide/escort gratuities.
- 2.4. Special Equipment and Excess Luggage Needs. Special technical equipment (including musical instruments), excess or oversize luggage and the transportation for such are not included. Any piece of luggage/equipment over maximum limits set by the bus company is subject to additional charges.

### 3. LIMITATIONS ON LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION

- 3.1. Limitation on Liability of IJ. IJ, its agents and cooperating organizations expressly disclaim all responsibility and/or liability of any nature for loss, damage or injury to property or person due to any cause whatsoever occurring during a tour under its management, except damaged caused by the gross negligence of IJ.
- 3.2. Client's Indemnification. Client shall hold IJ, its agents, employees, contractors and affiliated organizations harmless from, and indemnify and defend same against, any and all claims or liability for any injury (including death) or damage to any person or property whatsoever occurring during the tour, or any part thereof, when such injury or damage has been caused in part or in whole by the act, neglect, fault, or omission of Client, its agents, servants, employees, or invitees. The provisions of this Paragraph 3.2 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement with respect to any claims or liability occurring prior to such expiration or termination.

### 4. CANCELLATION

- 4.1. Right to Cancel. Client shall be entitled to cancel this Agreement only upon the terms set forth in this Section 4.
- 4.2. Cancellation Schedule. Subject to the terms of the remainder of this Section 4, and provided that Client has made all payments required under the Payment Schedule, Client may cancel this Agreement by providing written notice of the cancellation to IJ. The deposit and balance of any deposits made by Client shall be retained by IJ.

### CLIENT'S BREACH AND DEFAULT

- 5.1. Breach. Upon the breach of any term of this Agreement, including but limited to failure to strictly comply with the payment terms, failure to timely make Additional Deposits, or violation of any of the rules and regulations of IJ, IJ may, at its option, declare the Client in default and terminate its obligation to perform further under this Agreement. Upon any breach of this Agreement, by failure to make payments or otherwise, IJ may, in its sole and absolute discretion, allow the Client to remedy the breach by making the required payments or deposits, or by otherwise performing as required.
- **5.2. IJ's Remedies.** Upon any breach of this Agreement, by failure to make a payment, or otherwise, Client forfeits its entire deposit and IJ may attempt to reschedule, resell or reuse any goods or services previously purchased or reserved for Client's benefit including, but not limited to transportation and hotel accommodations.

### 6. JURISDICTION AND GOVERNING LAW

Any dispute of any kind arising out of or from a claimed breach of this Agreement shall be resolved in the Court of Summit County, Ohio, and Client consents to venue and jurisdiction in that Court. Client further agrees that all disputes arising from this Agreement shall be resolved in accordance with Ohio law.

#### ATTORNEY'S FEES

In the event of any legal action or proceeding arising out of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its reasonable attorneys' fees and related costs incurred in such action and such amount shall be included in any judgment rendered in such proceeding.

#### WAIVER

No waiver by IJ of any provision of this Agreement or of any breach by Client hereunder shall be deemed to be a waiver of any other provision hereof, or of any subsequent breach by Client of the same or any other provision. IJ's consent to or approval of any act by Client requiring IJ's consent or approval shall not be deemed to render unnecessary the obtaining of IJ's consent to or approval of any subsequent act of Client.

#### NOTICES

All notices, demands or other communications in this Agreement provided to be given, made or sent by either party to the other shall be deemed to have been duly given, made or sent when made in writing and deposited in the United States mail, certified or registered, postage prepaid, and addressed to the respective party at the appropriate address set forth in the Initial Terms.



### 10. INTEGRATION AND AMENDMENTS

The provision of this Agreement, including these Terms and Conditions and any rules and regulations of IJ, supersede any oral or written agreement between the parties, and any such oral or written agreement is hereby integrated into this Agreement. To the extent it conflicts with this Agreement, any information found in any advertising material, brochure, or web site is hereby superseded by this Agreement. Any amendment to or revision of this Agreement must be in writing and signed by both parties.

### 11. ACTS OF GOD

Client shall have the option of (1) taking a refund pursuant to the provisions for cancellation above (minus expenditures already made and IJ administrative cost for refunds, or (2) selecting an alternate program of equivalent value through IJ if the tour is canceled by reason of any Act of God, such as war, labor dispute, martial law, state of emergency, earthquake, or the like.

### 12. TRAVEL CONDITIONS

- **12.1. Hotels.** Each room will have private facilities, including shower or bath. A supplement surcharge is applicable to participants in single accommodations.
- 12.2. Fluctuations, Substitutions with Group. Client may, under certain circumstances, substitute another person in their stead. The addition of a new person is charged at the best price available. IJ will use its best efforts to keep the new person at the group rate. This will incur a substitution fee of \$150. IJ must receive the substitution deposit/payments before making a refund to the Client.

### 13. TOUR PRICES

The services specified are based on a minimum number of passengers. If this quota is not reached, the tour may be canceled and costs refunded. All tour prices quoted for transportation and land arrangements are based on rates (including foreign exchange rates) and taxes in effect at time of publication and are subject to change.

### 14. TRAVEL INSURANCE

Travel insurance is highly recommended. Purchase of travel insurance is left up to the individual traveler.