

Turkey & Gulet Boat Trip

**The first ten to sign up and go on the study tour get a free hot air balloon ride.*

May 10–28, 2017

Tour Hosts: Dr. Ken Wilmot
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- * *Seeing Scripture Three Dimensional*
- * *Exploring Cappadocia, one of the geological wonders of the world*
- * *Touring the beautiful Mediterranean*
- * *Experiencing Paul's travels from the perspective of the sea*
- * *Studying the ancient church and early Christendom*





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Featuring Biblical study, archaeology, monument



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“Stepping into the ancient world of Turkey and visiting cities where Paul taught was a once in a lifetime encounter”

“I continue to be blessed by what I learned, and to grow in my understanding of the New Testament.”

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Tour Itinerary:

May 10 Wed Depart Portland – Fly Istanbul

May 11 Thu Arrive Istanbul Airport – Fly Cappadocia

Arrive Istanbul Airport. Your tour guide will meet you after the customs and baggage claim with a “**JOHN JOHNSON**” sign. Meet and walk to the domestic terminal for flight to Cappadocia. Upon arrival to Kayseri Airport, drive to the hotel for dinner and overnight. (D)

May 12 Fri Cappadocia

After breakfast you will have a full day of sightseeing in Cappadocia. You will visit Göreme where you will see remains of several hundred early churches, with rooms hollowed out of the cones of volcanic ash. Some of them are decorated with scratched frescoes depicting scenes from the Bible. Drive to Kaymakli, an underground city which was an early Christian center that extended downward in the earth for at least eight floors and housed several thousand people in the eighth and ninth centuries. This afternoon we will make a “short hike” at the Cappadocia valleys. Dinner at the hotel. (B,D)



May 13 Sat Cappadocia – Lystra – Konya

Optional Hot Air Balloon Trip in early morning (05:00–07:00). After breakfast you will have an early departure to drive to Iconium where Paul and Barnabas used the synagogue as their forum to address the local people. On the way, you will visit the area of ancient Lystra

also twice visited by Paul. It was here Paul healed a lame man and later was raised after being battered with stones. Here also Paul met Timothy who later accompanied him on some of his travels. Dinner and overnight at the hotel in Konya (ancient Iconium). (B,L,D)



Ephesus



Kas Village



Antalya

May 14 Sun Konya – Antioch Pisidia – Antalya

After breakfast you will depart and drive to Yalvac, ancient Antioch of Pisidia. Paul visited this town on his first missionary journey and it is here that he addressed the congregation in the synagogue on the Sabbath with his first recorded sermon. You will visit and have a brief service at the synagogue site and then

continue to Antalya with a very scenic drive through the lakes and the rocky mountains. Dinner and overnight will be at the hotel in Antalya.

May 15 Mon Antalya – Perge – Aspendos – Antalya

After breakfast you will begin with a visit to Perge, an ancient city even when Paul visited there. He and Barnabas went through Perge on their way from and to Antioch on their first journey. You will visit the Perge Theater, the Agora Stadium, and the columned streets. You will also visit Aspendos, one of the best preserved theaters in the world, and return to visit the award winning Archaeology Museum in Antalya. Dinner and overnight will be in the port city of Antalya.

May 16 Tue Antalya – Myra – Board GULET (Wooden Yacht)

Our morning begins with a breathtaking drive along the Mediterranean coast. Visit the ancient site of Myra, with its lovely Roman theater and Lycian tombs. Today Myra is best known as the city of St. Nicholas, where he served as bishop in the fourth century A.D. After visiting Myra and see the St. Nicholas Church embark our private GULET (wooden yacht) where we will spend 5 nights. Dinner on board. (B,L,D)

May 17 Wed Sail by Gulet Boat – Simena – Kekova

Visit Simena and see the ruins of the Sunken City. Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner on board. (B,L,D)

May 18 Thu Sail by Gulet Boat – Kas Village – Xanthos – Patara – Kalkan

Leave the Gulet Boat at Kas Village. Visit to ancient Xanthos. Designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1988, Xanthos was ancient Lycia's largest and most important city. We'll then continue on to Patara, an ancient city visited by Paul (Acts 21:2) which features a beautiful theater and lighthouse. Dinner and overnight in Kalkan. (B,L,D)

May 19 Fri Sail by Gulet – Kalkan – Gemiler Island

Sail to Gemiler Island. Hike up and see the ruins of the Byzantine Church at the island. (B,L,D)

May 20 Sat Gemiler Island – Fethiye

Spend more time in Gemiler Island. Sail to Fethiye. Visit the ruins of Telmessos and Fethiye village. Overnight at Fethiye Marina. (B,L,D)

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Hagia Sophia, Istanbul

May 21 Sun Leave Gulet Boat – Laodicia – Hierapolis – Pamukkale

Leave Gulet boat and drive to Pamukkale. First drive to Laodicea, one of the churches of Revelation, and Hierapolis where you will visit the monuments, thermal baths and the theater with its well preserved stage and Temple of Apollo. Dinner and overnight will be in Pamukkale. (B,L,D)

May 22 Mon Ephesus Tour – Join Ephesus Meeting – Kusadasi

Morning drive to Ephesus, the first of the Seven Churches, for a visit. You will see the amazing ruins of this great city: the theater, the library, the Temple of Hadrian and the newly excavated Roman Terrace Houses. Tonight, after dinner, you will join Ephesus Meeting. Overnight Kusadasi. (B,L,D)

May 23 Tue Miletus, Smyrna Agora, St Policarp Church – Izmir

Drive south to visit Miletus theater where Paul spoke to Ephesian elders. Then drive to Izmir to see the Smyrna Agora and its latest excavations. Late afternoon visit to the St. Policarp Church in Izmir. Dinner and overnight in Izmir. (B,D)

May 24 Wed Izmir – Pergamon – Assos

After breakfast today you will leave for Bergama which is the site of ancient Pergamos, one of the Seven Churches of Revelation. You will visit the acropolis there and see the impressive theater, the Temple of Athena, and other ruins of former civilizations. Drive to Assos, and visit the panoramic Temple of Athena in Assos and the Temple of Apollo Smintheon at Gulpinar. Dinner and overnight in Assos. (B,D)

May 25 Thu Assos – Alexander Troas – Troy – Bursa

Visit the panoramic Temple of Athena in Assos and the Temple of Apollo Smintheon at Gulpinar. Continue to Odun Iskelesi to visit the site and the port of Alexandria–Troas where Paul raised the boy, Eutychus. Paul visited this area at least twice. Then, visit the legendary city of Troy, and see the replica of the wooden horse. Dinner and overnight in Bursa. (B,D)

May 26 Fri Bursa – Nicaea – Istanbul

Drive to Iznik (ancient Nicaea). Two ecumenical councils were held here: the First Ecumenical Council of 325 and the Seventh Ecumenical Council of 787. Visit the ruins of the St. Sophia Church where the Seventh Ecumenical Council was held. In the afternoon, drive to Istanbul, the only city in the world spanning on two continents; transfer to the hotel for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

May 27 Sat Byzantium – Constantinople – Istanbul

Today we explore the wonders of Istanbul. We move on to the Golden Mile of the Egnatian Way, visit the Hippodrome Square, and the breathtaking Blue Mosque as well as the magnificent, 1700-year-old Hagia Sophia, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and visiting the Hagia Irene Church. Afterwards, we will make our way to Istanbul's Archaeological Museum—one of the most celebrated collections in the world. Among its treasures are the Siloam inscription, the Gezer calendar, and the stunning "Jerusalem mosaic" depicting Orpheus. Tonight, Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant. (B,L,D)

May 28 Sun Istanbul Airport – Fly back to Portland

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TOUR MAP	
LAND & AIR:	
\$ 5,995	Per Person in Double
\$ 1,490	Single Supplement
INCLUDING	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Round-trip airfare between Portland and Istanbul • Istanbul–Cappadocia domestic flight • 2 Nights at 5 star Suhan Hotel in Cappadocia or similar • 1 Night at 5 star Dedeman Hotel in Konya or similar • 2 Nights at 4 star Best Western Khan Hotel in Antalya or similar • 5 Nights at GULET WOODEN SAIL BOAT • 1 Night at 5 star Lycus River Hotel in Pamukkale or similar • 1 Nights at 4 star Onder Hotel in Kusadasi or similar • 1 Night at 4 star Moevenpick Hotel in Izmir or similar • 1 Night at 4 star Assos Dove Hotel in Assos or similar • 1 Night at 4 star Tiara Thermal Hotel in Bursa or similar • 2 nights at Special Class Germir Palas Hotel in Istanbul or similar • Sightseeing as per the itinerary • All escorted transfers • Daily open buffet breakfasts at hotels • 5 dinners at Gulet • 11 dinners at hotels • 1 Farewell Dinner in Istanbul (Seafood restaurant in Kumkapi district) • 4 Lunches at Gulet on board • 11 Lunches at local restaurants • Transportation by private, air-conditioned bus • English-speaking, professional tour guide throughout the tour • All entry fees to the sites & museums • Luggage portage at hotels • Tips for the hotel and restaurant staff • Service charges & local taxes • Tips for the tour guide and driver 	
EXCLUDING	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drinks and lunches which are not listed above • All personal expenses, such as souvenirs, and any other items or services that are not listed above • Turkish visa fee (\$20 per person for US citizens – to be paid upon arrival before passport control) • Insurance required by Village – approximately \$35 • Tips for the gulet staff 	



PAYMENT PROCEDURE:

- \$100 per person deposit on March 1, 2016
- \$300 per person second deposit on October 20, 2016
- Full payment date: January 18, 2017

For payment, please click and fill-in the secure form at our website (Visa or Mastercard only):
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15 Days prior to departure:

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TURKISH VISA: US and Canadian citizens can get the Turkish Visa online before arrival www.evisa.gov.tr Citizens of ALL other countries are responsible for checking their own countries' visa regulations for travel.

Cancellation penalty:

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| – 60–46 days prior to departure: | No penalty |
| – 45–15 days prior to departure: | 10% |
| – 14–7 days prior to departure: | 25% |
| – 6–1 days prior to departure: | 50% |
| – After tour departure | No refund |

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