

REFORMATION TOUR OF WESTERN EUROPE

A Christian Heritage Reformation tour of key sites in Switzerland, Germany, England and Scotland



DAY 1: FLY TO GENEVA

We fly to **Geneva**, Switzerland.

DAY 2: RECONVENING AT THE AIRPORT

Following an early afternoon arrival the majority of the group will relax and recover at an airport hotel while our other pilgrims arrive on separate flights.



St Pierre's Cathedral in Geneva, Switzerland



Worms in Germany, the site of the Diet of Worms 1521

DAY 3: GENEVA

Our tour will begin with a walk through **St Pierre's Cathedral**, including the hall next door where John Knox preached and where the Academy was based. We will also look at the excavation below, which uncovered a fourth century mosaic and baptismal. Afterwards a visit to the **Reformation Wall** and the model of how Geneva looked during John Calvin's life, will end our first day with an overview of the Reformation in Europe.

DAY 4: ZURICH

We travel to **Zurich**, where we visit **Zwingli's Church** and walk along the historic river where the Anabaptists were drowned.

DAY 5: HEIDELBERG

Today, after a continental breakfast, we drive to **Heidelberg**, where our first stop will be **Worms**, site of the *Diet of Worms* in 1521

It was here that Martin Luther, facing excommunication and probable death, in the court of the Holy Roman Emperor, refused to retract his writings. "Unless I am convicted by Scripture and plain reason - I do not accept the authority of popes and councils, for they have contradicted each other - my conscience is captive to the Word of God. I cannot and I will not recant anything, for to go against conscience is neither right nor safe. God help me. Amen." This was a defining moment for the Protestant Reformation.

We will then continue on to **Heidelberg**, visiting the **University Church** where the Heidelberg Disputation took place in 1518. We then have dinner before going to our hotel.

DAY 6: EISENACH AND ERFURT

Today, we enjoy an early breakfast before driving to **Eisenach**. Here we will visit **Wartburg Castle**, built in the 11th Century, where Luther hid from King Charles V. While at Wartburg, Luther translated the New Testament into German and wrote an avalanche of commentaries, pamphlets and other important writings. After lunch, we drive to **Erfurt** to spend the night.



Wartburg Castle, Eisenach, Germany

DAY 7: ERFURT AND WITTENBERG

In Erfurt, we visit the **Augustinian Monastery**. This is Martin Luther's spiritual home, where he studied, became a monk, and was later ordained. In the afternoon, we leave for Wittenberg.

DAY 8: WITTENBERG

We spend the day and evening in **Wittenberg**, where we enjoy delicious German meals and explore the city.

DAY 9: BERLIN

Today, in the afternoon, we enjoy a comprehensive **Berlin** city tour.

DAY 10: FLY HOME

We fly home to bring our wonderful journey to a close.



An aerial image of Berlin, Germany

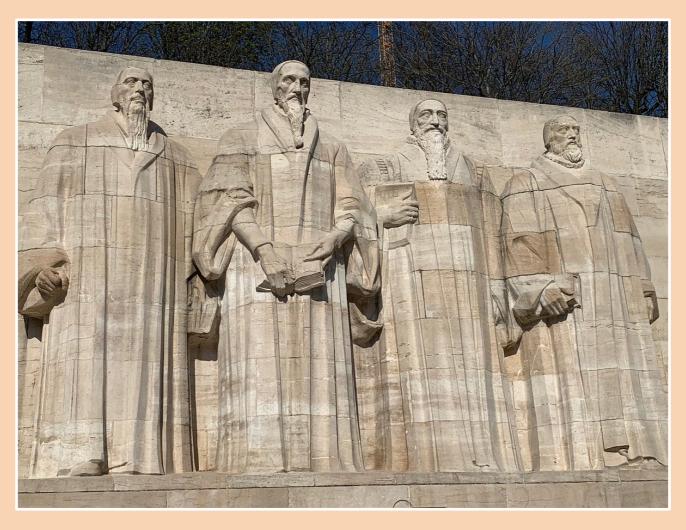
GENERAL INFORMATION

If you are interested in organising a tour, please contact Ilona Greyling.

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All tours include: land transportation, hotels, Specialist Guides, breakfasts, entrances and tours.

Not included: airfares, lunches and dinners, and some supplementary entrances.



The Reformation Wall, Geneva

