



Reformation Tours, LLC presents the
Journey of the Heart Tour

June 17-28, 2022

Hosted by Scott Dunfee, John Reutter-Harrah, and Patti Ryall

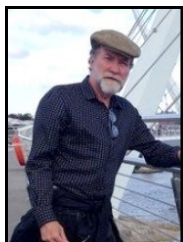


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This tour will be a journey of self-discovery as we tour the beauty of the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland. We will explore ancient traditions and the roots of Celtic Christianity. As we encounter “thin places” found on this beautiful island that inspired Patrick, Columba, and Brigid, we will examine how these traditions are so important today in this critical time of being good stewards of our world.



Scott Dunfee has been a pastor for 38 years, including 25 years serving as a Navy Chaplain. He has been to many places around the world, including two trips to Ireland, and is excited to share its history and culture, people and places—especially what Celts call the “thin places,” or wild places, that give refreshment and new life to spirituality and to one’s own journey.



John Reutter-Harrah is a long time pastor as well, and has been to Ireland and found the music, stories, and land forms touched his soul in a new way. He is a man who enjoys the natural beauty of the Pacific Northwest and found in Ireland a land that spoke to him.



Patti Ryall is a travel advisor who specializes in crafting religious travel and sabbaticals for people of faith. This will be her first time to Ireland and she is looking forward to visiting a land of poetry, music, and mystery.

IF = In flight meals, B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

Day 1: Friday, June 17: Departure

Our journey will begin as we board our international flight bound for Dublin, Ireland. (IF)

Day 2: Saturday, June 18: Meeting Brigid, Glendalough, Dublin

On arrival in Ireland, we will meet our tour director Samuel, who will welcome us to Ireland and escort us to our waiting motor coach. We will have a relaxing drive to visit St. Brigid’s Cathedral to explore this site and examine the role women played in the early Irish church. We will then visit the ancient 6th century monastery in Glendalough founded by St. Kevin and its visitor center. The remains of the monastery, including the landmark round tower, are set in a glaciated valley with two lakes. We will dine in our hotel in Dublin. (D)

Day 3: Sunday, June 19: Church, Kells, Guinness, Food, Fairies, and Folklore

We will attend the morning service at Immanuel Church in Dublin this morning. In the afternoon we will explore the historic, Christ Church Cathedral and Trinity College where we will be able to see the Book of Kells, a 9th century, illuminated manuscript Gospel book in Latin, containing the four Gospels of the New Testament together with various prefatory texts

and tables. We will uncover the pagan context into which Patrick shared Christ and explore what the church can learn from this today. In the evening we will enjoy an ‘Evening of Food, Folklore and Fairies’ where we will experience an enchanting evening of Irish folklore, storytelling and music while enjoying a traditional Irish candlelit dinner in Dublin’s oldest Pub, The Brazen Head. (B/D)

Day 4: Monday, June 20: Ireland’s Ancient East

The morning will be free to explore Dublin, before we travel up to Northern Ireland. En route we will visit various historical sites including: Monasterboice High Crosses and Fourknocks Tomb. We will then travel to the medieval village of Carlingford nestled at the foot of the Cooley Peninsula with enchanted views of ‘Narnia’. There will also be some time to explore the village before our meal in the award-winning Ghan House this evening, a beautifully preserved 17th century guest house. (B/D)



Day 5: Tuesday, June 21: Narnia with C.S. Lewis

Today we will be visiting the area that inspired Lewis’s Narnia. We will visit the Narnia Trail in the morning, and the Fairy Glen before making our way over to visit Legananny Dolmen, the ancient, pre Celtic, megalithic structure used as Aslan’s Table. We will be staying overnight in Murlough House, a Christian conference center. There will be time to explore and meditate in the peaceful surroundings, including woods and a beach. Discover Mr Beaver’s House, Prince Caspian’s throne and the still unspoiled surroundings that Lewis would have enjoyed as a boy. It was here that the beginnings of the world of the Chronicles of Narnia was born! (B/D)

Day 6: Wednesday, June 22: St. Patrick

We will begin our day by visiting the underground chamber of Drumena Cashel. This walled settlement dates back to the early Christian era, just after the time of St. Patrick. Castlewellan Forest park includes one of Northern Ireland’s most famous lakes, a stunning Victorian Castle and incredible panoramic views. We will also find the Peace Maze, one of the world’s largest permanent hedge mazes representing the path to a peaceful future for Northern Ireland. In the afternoon we will visit the Saint Patrick Centre, Down Cathedral, Struell Wells and Saul Church, built on the site of St.



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Patrick's first church. We will have opportunity to do a deep dive into the real man behind the legend that is St Patrick. We will stop in Dundrum on our way back to Murlough House. The castle in Dundrum dates back to around 1177 and was built by John De Courcy as part of his coastal defense. This evening is the perfect time to try authentic fish and chips. (B)

Day 7: Thursday, June 23: How the Irish saved civilization

We will learn more today about the untold story of Ireland's role in maintaining Western culture while the Dark Ages settled on Europe. St. Patrick not only brought Christianity to Ireland, but he also instilled a sense of literacy and learning that would create the conditions that allowed Ireland to become "the isle of saints and scholars" – and thus preserve Western culture while Europe was being overrun by barbarians. Nendrum is the best example of a pre-Norman monastic site in Northern Ireland. It was set up by St Machaoi in the 5th century. In Belfast we will visit the Peace Wall, then check in to our hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure to explore the city. (B)

Day 8: Friday, June 24: "The Troubles" and Thin Places

Today we will tour the world-renowned Titanic exhibition. We will then head North to explore the Antrim coast along with its Giants and almost true myths! On our way north we will drive past Mount Slemish, the location believed to be where Patrick spent his 6 years while tending sheep in Slavery. The Giant's Causeway is a stunning outcropping of basalt columns. We will also visit nearby Bushmills Distillery, including an optional tour and tasting. We will be based in Londonderry for the next two nights. (B/D)



Day 9: Saturday, June 25: Amazing Grace & Londonderry

On the border with the Republic of Ireland, the city is a great base to explore the stunning beaches and hills of Donegal. We will start our day in Ireland's most northerly point, Malin Head, next stop New York! On our way back to Derry we will visit Glendowen craft shop for some authentic Donegal crafts. This is Amazing Grace country and we will hear the story behind Isaac Newton's conversion at Buncrana. Back in Derry there are an abundance of options available to visitors. We can learn about local history at one of the many Derry museums, take the famous walking tour of the ancient still intact walls, or enjoy the town. (B)

Day 10: Sunday, June 26: The Great Hunger & the New World

The Ulster American Folk Park is an open-air museum just outside Omagh, in County Tyrone, Northern Ireland. With more than 30 exhibit buildings to explore, the museum tells the story of three centuries of Irish emigration to America. We will then continue to Galway. Arty, bohemian Galway (Gaillimh) is one of Ireland's most engaging cities. Remnants of the medieval town walls lie between shops selling handcrafted Claddagh rings, books and musical instruments, bridges arch over the salmon-stuffed River Corrib, and a long promenade leads to the seaside suburb of Salthill, on Galway Bay, the source of the area's famous oysters. We have a free evening to enjoy Galway. (B)

Day 11: Monday, June 27: The Wild Atlantic Way – Home of Poets

This morning we will have a fellowship time including poetry in the lunar type landscape of the Burren which takes its name from the Irish word 'bhoireann' meaning, 'a stony place' or 'a rocky place'. We will then take the coast road to the majestic Cliffs of Moher standing 702 feet at their highest point. We will have fabulous views from the vantage point of O'Brien's Tower. In the afternoon we will visit Clonmacnoise monastery and share communion. This ancient monastic site on the banks of the Shannon was a large and thriving community by the 9th century, which attracted scholars from all over Europe. We will end our tour in Dublin with traditional music and dining. (B/D).

Day 12: Tuesday, June 28: Return

We will fly back to the USA from Dublin Airport (B/IF)



RPR22Tour Price: \$3,499 USD *per person, land only

**Price based on double occupancy with a minimum of 25 participants*

Your Tour Includes:

- Land transportation via private, deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- Accommodations (double-occupancy) in superior 3-star and moderate 4-star hotels
- Meals as indicated in itinerary
- Professional Tour Director throughout the tour
- Local step-on guides for city tours and major attractions
- Entrance fees included as per itinerary
- All transfers as a group
- Luggage handling: one piece per person
- All taxes and tips for services provided except as indicated below

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- Round-trip air transportation
- Transfers for those not on the group flights
- Meals and beverages not indicated on itinerary
- Single supplement for those not sharing a room (\$550)
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees (*Passport must be valid for six months beyond return date*)
- Travel insurance (recommended)
- Gratuities for tour director and driver

Payment Schedule:

- Deposit of \$350 will secure your place on the tour. Please make all checks payable to "Reformation Tours" and mail to Patti Ryall, And Away We Go Travel, 8 Mountain Circle, Lake Oswego, OR 97035.
- Final invoices will be sent in March 2022.
- Final payments will be due no later than April 3, 2022
- Reservations will be accepted after April 3, 2022 subject to availability

Cancellation Policy:

All cancellations must be in writing and the date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due. Refunds are based on the number of days prior to departure date. From the time of deposit until 100 days prior to departure (3/9/22), a \$100 per person penalty will be charged for cancellation. From 99-15 days prior to departure (6/2/22), a \$350 per person penalty plus any nonrefundable deposit will be charged for cancellation. Anyone canceling 14 days or less prior to departure will receive no refund. In the unlikely event the tour does not reach minimum enrollment required, all deposit money will be returned.

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Terms and Conditions

We reserve the right to cancel this trip due to lack of subscription. In the event of cancellation of the trip in its entirety, a full refund of all deposits will be made to passengers enrolled at the time of cancellation. Tour price is based on the value of the dollar, the number of participants and the cost of airfare and is subject to change without notice. Any changes in airfare booking may result in a processing fee.

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