



# PRAGUE TO GENEVA REFORMATION STUDY TOUR

11 DAY TOUR | MAY 31 - JUNE 10, 2024



You are invited to join Dr. Joe Thomas as he traces our rich Protestant heritage through four countries: Czech Republic, France, Germany, and Switzerland. Joe teach a doctoral level course on the Reformation and this is his second time leading a Reformation Tour.



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# OUR HOST

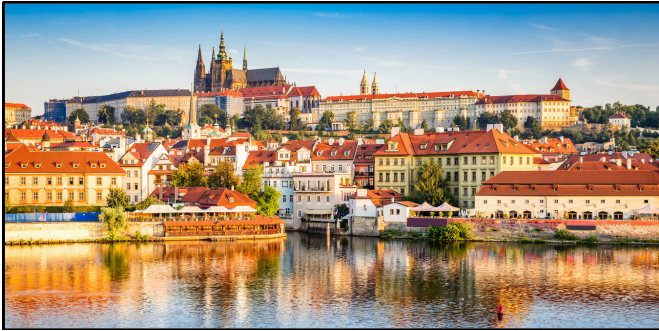
On this 11-day journey, Joe will be sharing insights about the spiritual life of the Reformers, with a focus on the context and application of their teachings. There will also be time for spiritual reflection and group discussions. Suggestions for pre-tour study materials will be available.

Dr. Joe Thomas, Professor of History of Christianity at Urbana Theological Seminary regularly gives public talks on Luther, Erasmus, and the history of the Reformation. He has been a seminary professor for 20 years and is the co-author of the podcast and book *Wayfinding* with Dietrich Bonhoeffer.





# TOUR ITINERARY



**Key: IF = In Flight Meals, B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner**

## **Day 1: Friday, May 31, 2024: Depart**

We will depart from the USA on our transatlantic overnight flights to Prague. **(IF)**

## **Day 2: Saturday, June 1, 2024: Arrival in Prague**

When we arrive in Prague, we will transfer to our hotel. We will have some free time for lunch, then we will have a walking tour focused on Jan Hus, the leading personality of the Czech Reformation movement. We'll visit Bethlehem Chapel where he preached and see the Hus monument outside Týn Church. Hus was a contemporary of John Wycliffe and was heavily influenced by his writings. They both agreed that all Christians are members of Christ's church, and that Jesus is the head. We will end the day with our welcome meal at the hotel. **(D)**

## **Day 3: Sunday, June 2, 2024: Prague**

This morning we'll explore Prague Castle, a complex of palaces, courtyards, streets and churches including St. Vitus Cathedral, which took 600 years to complete. We will then take a stroll across Charles Bridge, past the famous statues to the Old Town Square. We will finish by the Jan Hus Monument, built to commemorate the 500th anniversary of his martyrdom. This evening we will have fun at a Czech dinner, including seeing folk dancing. **(B/D)**

## **Day 4: Monday, June 3, 2024: Prague, Wittenberg**

We will cross the border into Germany this morning and travel to Lutherstadt Wittenberg. It was here in 1517 that Martin Luther nailed his famous 95 Theses to the door of Castle Church (Schlosskirche). Although the original doors were destroyed in the Seven Years War, we can see Luther's texts cast in bronze on the new doors. We will see St. Mary's Church where Luther regularly preached and the Old Latin School next door. Luther's former home, is now a Reformation Museum. Unfortunately, it is closed due to renovations and may only be able to see it from the outside. We will dine in our hotel this evening. **(B/D)**



### **Day 5: Tuesday, June 4, 2024: Erfurt, Eisenach**

We'll drive to Erfurt and have free time for lunch. We'll visit St. Mary's Cathedral, St. Severin's Church and the famous Merchant's Bridge, then tour the Augustinian Monastery where Luther became a monk on July 17, 1505. We will be able to see his monastic quarters, including one cell furnished to look as it would have when he lived there. At the end of the tour we will have a group time in the chapel. We will dine together this evening in a local restaurant in Eisenach. **(B/D)**

### **Day 6: Wednesday, June 5, 2024: Eisenach, Rudesheim**

In 1521, while fleeing from the wrath of the Pope, Luther took refuge in the Wartburg Castle after a fake kidnapping staged by his friend and protector, Frederick the Wise. We will tour the Wartburg and see where Luther finished translating the New Testament into German in just eleven weeks. Luther spent time in the nearby town of Eisenach as schoolboy and sang in the choir of St. George's Church, where the Bach family also worshiped. The afternoon will be free to explore the town of Eisenach, including the Bach House, the Luther House and St. George's Church. In the afternoon we will drive down to Rudesheim, and dine in our hotel. **(B)**

### **Day 7: Thursday, June 6, 2024: Rhine Valley, Strasbourg**

What better way to start the day than with a Rhine cruise! We'll board the boat and sail past magnificent castles and the famous Loreley rock. After the cruise we will visit Worms and see the Cathedral and the site of the Diet of Worms. In the afternoon we will continue to Strasbourg and dine in our hotel. Strasbourg was an important town for John Calvin. He pastored French Huguenot refugees, got married, and wrote a second edition to his famous book, the Institutes. Strasbourg, as a free imperial town, was a beacon for Protestantism right from the 16th century. During his time in Strasbourg, Calvin was not attached to one particular church, but held his office successively in various local churches. Calvin learned how to organize a church and reform a city from Martin Bucer, one of the more underappreciated reformers of the era. Strasbourg is also home to Katharina Schütz-Zell, a leading reformer who directed her work and writings towards the women of the era.. **(B/D)**



### **Day 8: Friday, June 7, 2024: Constance**

Today we will be in three countries: France, Germany and Switzerland. We will drive through the Black Forest region to the border of Switzerland. In Constance, we will pray on the spot where the pre-Reformer Jan Hus was martyred and see the Cathedral where some of the trials were held. Overnight in Constance. **(B/D)**



### **Day 9: Saturday, June 8, 2024: Zurich, Geneva**

This morning we will cross the border to Switzerland. A short drive will bring us to Zurich. We will visit key Reformation sites to learn about Zwingli and the Anabaptists. We will tour the Grossmünster, the Helferei (where Zwingli lived) and see the Zwingli Statue. After a stroll through the historic Auld Stadt (old city) we will drive through Switzerland to Geneva. **(B)**

### **Day 10: Sunday, June 9, 2024: Geneva**

Geneva was described by John Knox as “the most perfect school of Christ since the days of the apostles”, Our tour will begin at the impressive Reformation Monument. Four statues of four Reformation leaders stand as sentinels to truth and courage inspired by godly faith. We will see the Auditoire de Calvin, St. Pierre’s Cathedral, the archaeological site beneath the cathedral, and the Reformation Museum. We will enjoy a Farewell Meal before we head home or continue our travels in Europe.

### **Day 11: Monday, June 10, 2024: Return**

We will transfer from the hotel to the airport for our flights. **(B)**

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# PRICING

The land price of **\$4,299** is based is used is on double occupancy and a minimum of 15 travelers. These rates are subject to change if there is a significant fluctuation in the exchange rate.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Transportation: via deluxe air-conditioned coach
- Group arrival and departure transfers
- Accommodations (double-occupancy) in superior 3-star and moderate 4-star hotels
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- Professional Tour Director throughout the tour
- Local step-on guides for city tours and major attractions
- Whisper headsets
- Admission to all activities indicated in the itinerary
- All taxes and tips – other than tour director and driver
- Trip app and full color tour book

## WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Round-trip air transportation and related taxes and fees (options available)
- Arrival and departure transfers
- Single supplement (\$850)
- Meals and beverages not identified in itinerary
- Items of a personal nature, such as passports and visas. Passports must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.
- Passenger trip cancellation insurance
- Tips for tour director and driver





# TERMS & CONDITIONS

**SIGN UP:** Please click the registration link on the website: [ReformationTours.com/package/RMJ24](https://ReformationTours.com/package/RMJ24).

**PAYMENT METHOD:** Payments can be made directly on the registration platform, using a credit card (3.5% fee), or a bank debit. You can also send checks made payable to "Reformation Tours" at 12316 244th St., Chisago City, MN 55013-9688.

**FIRST DEPOSIT:** A \$350 per person, partially-refundable deposit at the time of registration will secure your space.

**FINAL PAYMENT:** Due by March 2, 2024.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE:** We highly recommended insuring your tour and there are two options (see below). Enhanced insurance needs to be paid within two weeks of paying the deposit.

**ROOMING and DIETARY REQUIREMENTS:** All

passenger details including, rooming preferences, dietary needs and any medical conditions are collected at registration, or via email.

**CANCELLATIONS:** All cancellations must be received in writing or by email by 5:00 p.m. Central Time on the last business day of the applicable period. The postmark date will determine the refund amount due.

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Additional Trip Interruption Travel Companion Hospitalization	Included under Trip Interruption benefit Maximum up to \$150 Per Day Limited to 5 Days	✓ ✓	✓ ✓
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Medical Evacuation & Repatriation of Remains Additional Medical Evacuation: Transportation Of Children/Child Bedside Visit Transportation to Join You	\$100,000 included included included	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
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Baggage and Personal Effects Passport, Visa or Other Travel Documents Replacement Credit Card Charges and Interest Per Article Limit Items Subject to Special Limitations	\$1,500 \$100 \$50 up to \$300 \$600 Maximum Combined	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
Baggage Delay	\$300 Up to \$50 to expedite the Return	✓ ✓	✓ ✓

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