

WALKING THE FAITH STEPS OF GOSPEL FREEDOM

With Martin and Katy Luther, celebrating 500 years since their marriage in 1525. Tour includes dramatic portayals by the Hinderlies at various sites.

11 / 14 DAY TOUR - APRIL 21 - 30/MAY 4, 2025



Freedom is the theme of this Reformation tour with us, Sonja and Johan Hinderlie, aka Katy and Martin Luther. We begin in a retreat setting near the Grimma convent from which Katy escaped to join Martin in the gospel freedom of the Reformation. We will guide you through Wittenberg where they were married and then lived in the former cloister pictured above. In Leipzig, we will also discover the freedom of a praying community using the "Daily Texts." This led to freedom for East Germany in 1989. The extension to Herrnhut and Prague expands our journey in Christian freedom. Join us to explore, marvel and share how free Christ wants you to be!



TOURITINERARY

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

Day 1: Monday, April 21, 2025: Depart

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

Day 2: Tuesday, April 22, 2025: Arrival in Berlin, Grimma

When we arrive in Berlin, we will drive to Grimma and settle into the Nimbschen Kloster Hotel, where we will stay for 3 nights (B/D)

Day 3: Wednesday, April 23, 2025: Torgau, Grimma

After breakfast we will visit Torgau, which was the Political center of the Reformation in the 16th century. Our tour will include Hartenfels Castle, including Castle Church, which was the first Protestant church to be sanctified by Luther. We will see Katherine von Bora's tomb in St. Mary's Church, and the memorial in her home. We will return to our hotel this evening and enjoy an evening meal together in our hotel. (B/D)





Day 4: Thursday, April 24, 2025: Grimma

Today is a rest day in our resort hotel, nestled in the grounds of the former Cistercian monastery. During the day we will have a Martin/Katy Luther presentation. We can spend the rest of the day as we wish, and options include worship, study, prayer, bowling, miniature golf, boat rides, cycling, or a relaxing sauna session. The food in the convent includes traditional meals prepared using local ingredients. (B/L/D)

Day 5: Friday, April 25, 2025: Leipzig, Erfurt

In nearby Leipzig, we will visit St. Thomas Church, where Bach was cantor for 27 years. We will also visit St. Nicholas Church, home to the "Prayers for Peace" in 1989, with thousands joining in candlelight prayers, leading to the fall of the infamous Berlin Wall. After lunch in the historic Auerbachs Keller, we will continue to Erfurt and check in to our hotel. Our pilgrimage today will be on foot to view St. Mary's Cathedral, St. Severin's Church, and the famous Merchant's Bridge. **(B/D)**







Day 6: Saturday, April 26, 2025: Eisenach, Erfurt

On our day trip to Eisenach today, we will learn more about both Luther and Bach. While Luther was fleeing from the wrath of the Pope, he 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. If the afternoon we will hear authentic period instruments in the Bach House, then visit St. George's Church, where the Bach family served. We will return to Erfurt and visit the Augustinian Monastery where Luther became a monk on July 17, 1505. We will see his monastic quarters, including one cell furnished to look as it would have when he lived there. At the end of the day, we will have a group time in the chapel. The evening is at leisure. (B)

Day 7: Sunday, April 27, 2025: Eisleben, Wittenberg

In Eisleben we will tour the homes where Luther was born and also where he died. He was baptized in St. Peter and Paul's Church and we we will see the remains of the original baptismal font. He preached his final four sermons in St. Andrews Church, which is where his body was laid in state. We will continue to Wittenberg, where we will dine together after checking into our hotel. (B/D)

Day 8: Monday, April 28, 2025 Wittenberg, Berlin

After breakfast, we will have a walking tour of 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, we can see Luther's texts cast in bronze on the new doors. We will see St. Mary's Church, where Luther regularly preached. Luther's former home is now a Reformation Museum. We will have a short worship service with the Wittenberg English Ministry, then continue to Berlin, where we will have a free evening. **(B)**

Day 9: Tuesday, April 29, 2025: Berlin

Our Pilgrimage will end the Germany section of the tour with a visit to World War II sites in Berlin, including the Brandenburg Gate, the Berlin Wall, the Kaiser Wilhelm Church, the Reichstag Building, the Berlin Cathedral, and the Resistance Museum. In the afternoon we will visit the Bonhoeffer House, then have free time before our Farewell Meal. (B/D)

Day 10: Wednesday, April 30, 2025: Depart / Dresden, Herrnhut, Prague

Those returning today will have a transfer to Berlin Airport.

Dresden is a stunning Baroque city that was heavily bombed in the war. We will arrive in time to attend the noon service and tour in the recently restored Frauenkirche, Germany's largest Protestant cathedral. The tour will continue through scenic Swiss Saxony to Herrnhut, a village near the Czech border. We will stay in the Guest House of the Evangelical Moravian Church. (B/D)







Day 11: Thursday, May 1, 2025: Herrnhut, Prague

May 1 is Europe's Labor Day holiday and is typically a day to celebrate Spring. It's also a day to commemorate workers and the contributions they have made. We will visit Count Zinzendorf's estate and hear about the history and impact of the Moravian Church, see the Moravian star factory, and hear about the Daily Texts. We will travel to Prague, and the evening is at leisure. **(B)**

Day 12: Friday, May 2, 2025: Prague

Our morning walking tour will focus 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. This evening we will have fun at a Czech dinner, including seeing folk dancing. (B/D)

Day 13: Saturday, May 3: 2025: Prague

Today we will 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. Our farewell meal will be in our hotel. **(B/D)**

Day 14: Sunday, May 4, 2025: Return

We will return to the USA today or continue our travels in Europe. (B)

MAP AND HOTELS

The numbers on the map indicate the overnights at leach location. Pre-tour nights in Berlin and post-tour nights in Berlin or Prague can be added.

Grimma, Germany

April 22-25, 2025 Kloster Nimbschen Hotel

Erfurt, Germany

April 25-27, 2025 Mercure Hotel Altstadt

Wittenberg, Germany

April 27-28, 2025 <u>Hotel Marta</u>

Berlin, Germany

April 28-30, 2025

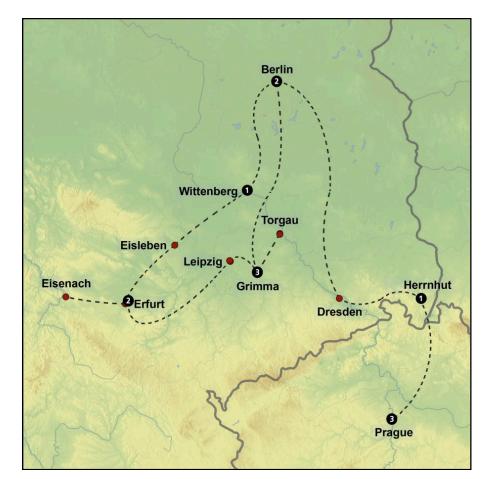
<u>Hotel Leonardo Berlin Mitte</u>

Herrnhut, Germany

April 30 - May 1, 2025 <u>Guest House Komensky</u>

Prague, Czech Republic

May 1-4, 2025 Hotel Ambassador Zluta House



PRICING

The land price of this tour is based is \$4,199 based on double occupancy and a minimum of 20 travelers. These rates are subject to change if there is a significant fluctuation in the exchange rate. The single supplement (for those not sharing a room) is \$475.

The price for the Prague extension is \$1,099 based on double occupancy. The single supplement is \$285.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Transportation: via deluxe air-conditioned coaches
- 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
- Admission to all activities indicated in the itinerary
- All taxes and tips including tour director and driver

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Round-trip air transportation and related taxes and fees
- Arrival and departure transfers, for non group flights
- Single supplement (\$475/\$285)
- 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
- Baggage handling (let us know if you need assistance)



TERMS & CONDITION

SIGN UP: Please click the registration link on the website.

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, partiallyrefundable deposit at the time of registration will secure your space.

FINAL PAYMENT: Due by January 21, 2025.

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.

From time of deposit until 100 days before departure	\$100 per person
From 99 - 30 days before departure	\$350 plus any non- refundable deposits
Less than 30 days before departure	No refund

In addition to our cancellation costs, we may need to charge for any unrecoverable deposits to suppliers and any penalties imposed by airlines or ground suppliers. Airline tickets, once printed, are not refundable.

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Cancel For Any Reason Benefit*	75% of Non-Refundable Trip Cost		✓
Trip Cancellation** Single Supplement	up to 100% of the non-refundable insured Trip Cost included	√ √	√ ✓
Trip Interruption** Single Supplement	up to 100% of the non-refundable insured Trip Cost included	√ √	√ ✓
Additional Trip Interruption Travel Companion Hospitalization	Included under Trip Interruption benefit Maximum up to \$150 Per Day Limited to 5 Days	√ ✓	√ ✓
Missed Connection	\$500		✓
Trip Delay	up to \$150 Per Day, to a Maximum of \$750	✓	✓
Accident & Sickness Medical Expense Dental Expense Sublimit	\$25,000 \$750	√ √	√ ✓
Medical Evacuation & Repatriation of Remains Additional Medical Evacuation: Transportation Of Children/Child Bedside Visit Transportation to Join You	\$100,000 included included included	√ √ √	V V V
Political or Security Evacuation & Natural Disaster Evacuation	\$25,000	√	√
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	√ √	√ ✓

PLAN	RATE
Standard (F561S)	4.55% of Trip Cost
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