

## PILGRIMAGE TO NORTHERN GREECE & TURKEY

Led by His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America

February 24 - March 7, 2022 12 Days / 10 Nights



*A unique opportunity to visit Greece & Turkey with His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America!  
Greece will include a 4 day / 3 night stay on Mt. Athos for the men!*

**GREECE: THESSALONIKI, MT. ATHOS & KOMOTINI** - Visit the most important sites in Greece's second largest city, Thessaloniki. Enjoy a full day tour of Thessaloniki's highlights and attend Divine Liturgy at St. Demetrios Cathedral celebrated with H.E. Archbishop Elpidophoros of America. Venerate St. Demetrios' tomb in the Cathedral. The men will depart for the Holy Mountain for three nights with visits to the Sacred Monasteries of Xenophontos, Simonopetra & Vatopaidi. Women will enjoy Thessaloniki and a tour of Vergina. All will unite in Komotini to witness the conferral on an honorary Doctoral Degree upon His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America at the Democritus University of Thrace.

**TURKEY:** Visit Constantinople, the heart of Orthodoxy and the 17<sup>th</sup> century Greek Orthodox Ecumenical Patriarchate. Celebrate Divine Liturgy & Vespers of Forgiveness at St. George Cathedral with His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew. Learn about St. George and venerate the Holy Relics of Sts Gregory, the Theologian, John Chrysostom, Euphemia, Solomone and Theophano. Attend a private audience with His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew. Visit the important sites for the Greek Orthodox in Constantinople: Agia Sophia, Baloukli Monastery, Panaghia Blacherna and Halki, home of the renowned Patriarchal School of Theology.

**Rates: Air & Land:** Double occupancy, per person, \$3995\* Single Occupancy: \$4985\*

*\*All rates reflect a 4% check discount which does not apply if payment is made in any other way.*

*Vaccination and proof of vaccination required. Booster required if applicable.*

**SPACE IS LIMITED and on a FIRST COME BASIS**

Deposit person will apply of \$700 due by December 30, 2021 or late booking fee of \$50 per person applies.

### **TOUR INCLUDES:**

**Air:** Lufthansa Airlines JFK/MUC/SKG & IST/FRA/JFK. Air tax/fuel surcharge of \$510 is included but not guaranteed until ticketing.

### **GREECE:**

\*Private arrival transfer in a deluxe air conditioned motorcoach

\*Two days of private motorcoach use including 1 day of sightseeing in a deluxe motor coach and English / Greek speaking tour guide. All entrance fees and headsets for tours.

**For women:** One half day private tour to Vergina by motorcoach and English / Greek speaking guide. Entrance fees included

**\*Women:** Five nights first class hotel accommodation at the Electra Palace in Thessaloniki in classic rooms with three nights in single occupancy or similar including all taxes and service fees

**\*Men:** Two nights first class hotel accommodation at the Electra Palace in Thessaloniki in classic rooms or similar including daily breakfast, all taxes and service fees and 3 nights' accommodation on the Holy Mountain including meals and transportation

\*Motorcoach transportation from Thessaloniki to Komotini for the women and from Ierissos to Komotini for the men

\*One night hotel accommodation at the Anatolia Hotel in Komotini including breakfast and dinner including all taxes and service fees

\*Two dinners at hotel or local restaurant in Thessaloniki

\*Deluxe motorcoach transportation from Komotini, Greece to Istanbul, Turkey

### **TURKEY:**

\*Four days of private sightseeing with a deluxe motor coach and English speaking tour guide and a one day trip to Halki on a private ferry. All entrance fees and headsets are included for tours except Halki.

\*Four nights first class hotel accommodation at the Intercontinental in Constantinople in Bosphorus view rooms or similar, including daily breakfast, all taxes and service fees

\*Private audience with His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew at the Patriarchate

\*One dinner, one lunch in Halki, and a farewell dinner

\*Private departure transfers in a deluxe air conditioned motorcoach with English speaking escort