

NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

# IN THE STEPS OF MARTIN LUTHER

*Featuring the Passion Play of Oberammergau*

11 DAYS: JULY 22 - AUGUST 1, 2020

*Visiting*

RHINE VALLEY \* EISENACH \* ERFURT \* EISLEBEN  
WITTENBERG \* BERLIN \* LEIPZIG \* NUREMBERG \* MUNICH

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THE EDITORS OF GOTTESDIENST - THE JOURNAL OF LUTHERAN LITURGY



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**\$4479 PER PERSON FROM CHICAGO**

(Air/land tour price is \$4029 plus \$450 government taxes/airline surcharges)



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## ***Oberammergau 2020: A Fabulous Luther-lands Gottes-tour in the Works***

*In late 1632, the bubonic plague was killing one in a thousand per year in Oberammergau, Bavaria, but suddenly the death rate spiked to twenty deaths in the month of March 1633 alone. The story goes that the residents of the village vowed that if God would spare them, they would put on a play depicting the life and death of Jesus from that time forward and for all time, to be repeated every ten years. After their vow, the adult death rate came back down to only one in the month of July 1633. The villagers believed they had been spared because of the vow, and therefore performed the promised play for the first time in 1634. In our day the play is performed in every year ending in zero, repeatedly over the course of five months of that year. The last time this happened was between May and October of 2010. Over 2,000 performers, musicians, and technicians are involved, all residents of Oberammergau. The play includes spoken drama as well as musical and choral arrangements, as well as various scenes from the Old Testament (called tableaux vivants) using motionless actors to portray fulfillment in Christ.*

*The next time it is scheduled is in the year 2020, and Gottesdienst will be hosting a tour. The tour will include the Lutherlands—Eisleben, Eisenach, Wartburg, and Wittenberg—as well as Berlin, Leipzig, and, of course, Oberammergau in Bavaria. Since it's a Gottesdienst tour, the tourists would also be treated to chapel services led by Gottesdienst editors, in some of the grand historic churches of Germany.*

*Interested? We're planning an 11-day tour of the Luther-lands and Oberammergau beginning in July 22, 2020 at the reasonable price of \$4479 per person, which includes first-class admission tickets for the famous Passion Play, plus roundtrip airfare from Chicago, accommodations at first-class and select hotels (two persons per two-bedded room with private bath; hotels and guest-houses are used at Oberammergau), daily breakfast plus seven dinners, a professional tour director, comprehensive sightseeing and transfers by private motorcoach, all hotel service charges, value-added taxes, portorage where available, an entrance fees per the itinerary, and automatic \$100,000 flight insurance for Nawas ticketed passengers.*

*It also includes daily time with four Gottesdienst editors: Rev. Dr. Burnell Eckardt (editor-in-chief), Rev. Dr. Chaplain (Col.) Jonathan E. Shaw (Sabre-of-Boldness editor), Rev. Fr. Benjamin Ball (blogger and conference chairman), and Rev. Fr. Jason Braaten (blogger and producer of the podcast *The Gottesdienst Crowd*), and their wives. We expect to be leading the group with the daily office (including daily homilies), and mass on Sunday morning in Wittenberg. Our editors will also be providing expert commentary, interviews, and discussion about important Lutheran Reformation topics that emanated from the very places we plan to visit.*

*Sincerely,  
The Editors of Gottesdienst - The Journal of Lutheran Liturgy*



## **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:**

- ◆ Round trip airfare from Chicago.
- ◆ Accommodations at first class/select hotels based on two persons sharing in twin-bedded rooms with private bath (hotels & guest houses are used in Oberammergau).
- ◆ First class (Category 1) admission ticket to the Passion Play of Oberammergau.
- ◆ Most meals.
- ◆ Comprehensive sightseeing throughout with a professional English-speaking tour director.
- ◆ All hotel service charges, value added taxes, portorage where available and entrance fees per itinerary.
- ◆ Transfers by private motorcoach.
- ◆ Automatic \$100,000 Flight Insurance policy.  
(Subject to policy terms and limitations)

## **DAY TO DAY ITINERARY**

### **CHICAGO/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC WEDNESDAY, JULY 22**

Depart Chicago today aboard your transatlantic flight to Frankfurt, arriving the following day.

### **ARRIVE FRANKFURT/RHINE VALLEY THURSDAY, JULY 23**

Arrive in Frankfurt today where your exciting visit of the Lands of Luther begins. Have a brief orientation tour of Mainz which boasts beautiful views of the Rhine and is perhaps most famous as the home of the invention of the moveable-type printing press by Johannes Gutenberg. Here, in 1455, Gutenberg produced what is considered to be the first book ever printed: a Latin language Bible. Continue to your hotel in the Rhine Valley. (D)

### **RHINE VALLEY/EISENACH/ERFURT FRIDAY, JULY 24**

Cross into eastern Germany and drive to Eisenach, a refuge for Luther during the stormy days before the Reformation. Visit Wartburg Castle, set on a mountaintop overlooking the city and one of the best-preserved German medieval fortresses. Here Luther worked on a translation of the New Testament, and Richard Wagner, inspired by the Thuringian scenery, wrote the opera, "Tannhauser." See Luther's study, the Reformation room and the lovely paintings by Lucas Cranach the Elder. Also worth viewing is the impressive "Angel with Candlestick," painted by Tilman Riemenschneider in 1500. In the city, visit the Luther House and make a brief stop at St. George Church where Luther preached. Drive to Erfurt. (B,D)

## ERFURT/EISLEBEN/WITTENBERG

### SATURDAY, JULY 25

Luther called Erfurt, located in the heart of Thuringia, "a new Bethlehem." It was here on July 2, 1505, that he was struck down by lightning, made his vow to become a monk, and entered the Augustinian Cloister. Visit the Augustiner Church and the Augustinian Monastery. On an orientation tour, view the beautiful St. Severus Church, the 650-year-old Kraemer Bridge lined with houses and small shops, and St. Mary's Cathedral where Luther was ordained. Drive to Eisleben. Visit Luther's birthplace, the house where he died in 1546 and 15th century St. Peter and Paul's Church where he was baptized. Proceed to Wittenberg, the city where Luther's activities reached a high point. (B,D)

## WITTENBERG/BERLIN

### SUNDAY, JULY 26

As a professor of philosophy and theology at Wittenberg University, Martin Luther made his public appearance by nailing his 95 Theses against the misuse of the indulgence system to the door of the Castle Church, sparking the Reformation movement. Visit the Castle Church, see the Luther Monument in the marketplace, Luther's grave and the City Church of St. Mary where Luther did most of his preaching. Also visit Lutherhalle, his dwelling in the Augusteum, which is now a museum of Reformation history containing an unsurpassed collection of Reformation artifacts. Drive to historic Berlin. (B,D)



*Brandenburg Gate ~ Berlin*

## BERLIN

### MONDAY, JULY 27

This morning visit reunited Berlin. In the former West, see Charlottenburg Castle, Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, the famous Kurfurstendamm, Bellevue Castle, the Cultural Forum and the Reichstag Building. In former Eastern Berlin, see the Brandenburg Gate at the end of beautiful Unter Den Linden Boulevard, Gendarmen Markt, the Berlin Cathedral, Alexanderplatz, the Nikolai Quarter, and the remains of the Berlin Wall. Afternoon free. (B)

## BERLIN/LEIPZIG

### TUESDAY, JULY 28

Proceed along the Elbe River to Leipzig. Leipzig, classic city of fairs, books and music, is home to the 13th century Thomas Church immortalized by Bach, where

he served as cantor and choir director. It was here in 1519 that Luther debated Johann Eck, and denied the divine origin of papal supremacy. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B,D)

## LEIPZIG/NUREMBERG/OBERAMMERGAU WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

This morning, drive to Nuremberg for a brief panorama tour. See the Imperial Castle and the Church of Our Lady with its animated clock. Continue to Oberammergau, site of the world famous Passion Play. (B,D)

## THE PASSION PLAY OF OBERAMMERGAU THURSDAY, JULY 30

The highlight of your trip! In keeping with their 387-year old promise, the villagers of Oberammergau present their Passion Play depicting the last week of the life of Christ. The play's presentation can be traced to 1633 when the Black Plague swept Europe. The people of Oberammergau took a solemn oath: if God spared them, they would present a day-long play depicting the last week in the life of Christ. To this day they have kept their promise and every ten years the citizens of Oberammergau perform their passion play with the same love and devotion they have shown for over 380 years. Today the play takes place on an open-air stage with a covered auditorium seating 4,700, against a beautiful backdrop of towering Alpine mountains. (B,D)

## OBERAMMERGAU/MUNICH

### FRIDAY, JULY 31

This morning, travel to Munich. Drive via Karolinenplatz with the Obelisk to Koenigsplatz. In the city center, you will see the former Royal Residence, Odeon Square with its beautiful Theatiner Church and the Hall of Generals. The remainder of the day is free for you to continue your exploration of Munich on your own. Overnight in the area. (B)

## MUNICH/CHICAGO

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

Your Lutheran journey is over as you board your return flight back to Chicago, arriving the same day. (B)

*(B) ~ Breakfast*

*(D) ~ Dinner*



*Wartburg Fortress*

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**LAND ONLY/AIR DEVIATIONS:** Passengers wishing to do their own air arrangements or wishing to deviate from the group itinerary must advise Nawas in writing no later than 180 days prior to departure. For air deviations, a \$100 non-refundable fee per person will be charged in addition to any extra airfare that may be incurred. Air

deviations are subject to availability and restrictions as imposed by the airlines.

**BAGGAGE:** Airlines may now charge baggage fees for checked luggage on international/domestic flights based on the policy of each carrier. The maximum number of pieces of luggage, the weight allowance and baggage dimensions may also vary by airline from the USA to overseas destinations and beyond. Many carriers require that checked luggage in economy class not exceed 50 lbs with a combined length/width/height of 62 inches. Regulations vary for business/first class passengers. Airline policies regarding baggage are subject to change at any time without prior notice. It is the responsibility of each passenger to check with their airline prior to departure for baggage information, regulations and compliance. Please refer to your electronic airline ticket receipt once received with the final tour documents. Nawas is not responsible for additional fees imposed by air carriers regarding baggage. Due to the limited capacity of luggage compartments on Nawas motorcoaches, Nawas can only allow per person one normal-size suitcase (total dimensions of 62 inches) plus one carry-on bag (total dimensions of 45 inches). Carry-on bags only cannot have wheels and must fit in overhead bins or under your seat. Nawas Travel accepts no responsibility for loss or damage to the tour members' baggage or personal belongings at any time. Baggage insurance is recommended and is available upon written request.

**TRAVELERS REQUIRING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE:** Disabled travelers requiring special attention or care must advise NAWAS in writing at the time of reservation. A physically able companion must accompany any person who needs special assistance. Tour directors, guides, drivers or other tour, hotel or ship personnel are not able to provide such assistance. NAWAS is not responsible for any denial of services to the disabled participant by air carriers, cruise ships, hotels, restaurants or other independent suppliers. Certain countries/ destinations involve extensive walking. Be aware that outside the U.S. the *Americans with Disabilities Act* is not applicable and facilities for disabled individuals are limited. NAWAS is not responsible for any passenger requiring special medical equipment.

## THE TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

Passport fees, visa fees (if any), hotel tourist taxes (to be paid locally), phone calls, valet/laundry service, wines, liquors, mineral water, after dinner coffee or tea, tips to tour director, guides, drivers and waiters, sightseeing, meals and other services not specifically mentioned, excess baggage and all other items of a purely personal nature.

**CANCELLATIONS:** All cancellations must be received in writing at Nawas Travel directly from the tour member. Written cancellations received by Nawas between Dec 2, 2018 and Mar 1, 2019, are subject to a \$600 per person cancellation fee. Written cancellations received by Nawas between Mar 2, 2019 and Aug 1, 2019, are subject to an \$800 per person cancellation fee. Written cancellations received by Nawas from Aug 2, 2019 up until 135 days prior to departure, are subject to a \$1800 per person cancellation fee. From 134 to 100 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to a cancellation fee of 50% of the total tour price per person. From 99 to 65 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to a cancellation fee of 75% of the total tour price per person. Written cancellations received by Nawas 64 days up to and including the day of departure, are subject to a 100% cancellation fee of the total tour price per person. No shows are subject to a 100% cancellation fee and reservations will be cancelled. Failure to receive additional deposits and final payment by the due dates may result in the cancellation of your reservation and the forfeiture of your deposits. Airline tickets are not refundable once issued. No refunds will be given for any unused services while on tour.

**Nawas strongly recommends trip insurance. Insurance for trip cancellation, medical evacuation, medical emergencies, baggage, etc. is available for purchase. An insurance application will be sent upon written request. Please refer to insurance policy for complete details.**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The airfare used is based on non-refundable bulk group fares in effect on Nov 7, 2017. Airlines reserve the right to increase fares without prior notice. Tour members will be required to pay any airfare increases and international surcharges as imposed by the airlines prior to departure. Airlines require a minimum of 15 persons departing from the same gateway city.

Land costs are based on estimated 2020 tariffs, overseas government taxes and rates of exchange in effect on Nov 7, 2017, and a minimum of 36 or more participants per coach. While we have made the best possible estimates of what we expect costs to be in 2020, we cannot guarantee actual prices, exchange rates and airfares. Any increases in land costs or airfare that may occur will be collected from each passenger prior to departure. We reserve the right to increase the cost of the tour consistent with normal increases should the group fall below 36 persons, or in the event of fluctua-

tions in exchange rates. All prices are based on rates of exchange listed above and while every effort will be made to hold them firm, they are subject to change.

Travel in the year 2020 is expected to be at an all-time high. NAWAS will make every effort to adhere to the itinerary and scheduled departure as outlined herein; however, actual group size, Passion Play ticket availability or circumstances beyond our control may necessitate alterations. Departure date, itinerary sequence, and cities for overnight accommodations may change.

Please note that healthcare/medical costs outside the U.S.A. are not covered by Medicare or private medical insurance plans. Please consult with your health insurance supplier to obtain the necessary health/medical coverage for overseas travel.

**STATE DEPARTMENT/GOVT AGENCIES:** On occasion, a U.S. or foreign government agency, such as the U.S. State Department ([www.state.gov](http://www.state.gov)), Center for Disease Control ([www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)), etc., may issue a travel advisory, warning or alert for a destination or surrounding area you may be visiting while on tour. Nawas encourages you to refer to these agencies to obtain the most current and up-to-date information. The terms and conditions of your tour program, including cancellation policies, cannot be altered based on any occurrence whatsoever and/or any travel advisory, warning or alert issued in the U.S. or foreign countries where your tour is scheduled to visit, including but not limited to war/terrorism, disease, or natural disasters. Cancellation penalties remain in full effect and no exceptions can be made.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL SERVICE, INC. (NAWAS), and their agents act only in the capacity of agents in all matters pertaining to hotel accommodations, sightseeing tours and transportation, whether by railroad, motor bus, motor car, cruise vessel, boat, air or any other means. Except for the willful negligence of its direct employees, NAWAS is not liable for any damage, loss (including but not limited to personal injury, loss of enjoyment, distress, death and property loss), expense or inconvenience caused by any act or omission of any supplier providing tour services or by any other person or reason whatsoever or by any delays or changes in the itinerary, or the acts and omissions of the tour leader/host or travel agent. NAWAS assumes no liability or responsibility for any injuries, inconveniences, illness, irregularity or incidental damages occasioned by circumstances beyond the control of the tour operator, or by any person or reason whatsoever, including but not limited to events such as strikes, revolts, wars, terrorism, disease, natural disasters, closures of airports, hotels or included sites, default or omission of any common or private carrier. NAWAS reserves the right to cancel the tour at any time, to operate the tour with a substitute tour leader at any time, to decline or not retain any person as a member of the tour for any cause at any time. NAWAS reserves the right to make changes to the published itinerary if needed including deleting and adding cities and changing the sequence of the itinerary, or whenever in NAWAS' sole judgment as conditions warrant, or if NAWAS deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience or safety of the tour. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. The passage contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchasers of this tour and/or passengers. The services of any IATA/ARC air carrier may be used in connection with the tour.

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**Exclusive jurisdiction and venue for any and all disputes arising under, in connection with, or related to these General Conditions or the provision of services by NAWAS shall be in the state court sitting in Fairfield County, Connecticut, and you expressly agree not to challenge the jurisdiction or venue of such court or to assert that such court is not a convenient forum. All disputes arising under, in connection with, or related to these General Conditions or the provision of services by NAWAS shall be governed by the internal laws of the State of Connecticut, without regard to its conflicts of law provisions. Payment of deposits by tour participants indicates acceptance of the above terms and General Conditions. The venue for any dispute is Fairfield County, Connecticut. The laws of the state of Connecticut will apply.**

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## ◆ RESERVATION FORM ◆

Please read the all-inclusive tour features and conditions. Then complete this handy form. Book early!

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

**MAIL TO:**

Rev. Benjamin Ball  
St. Paul Lutheran Church  
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Hamel, IL 62046  
Tel: (618) 633-2209  
Email: bball@stpaulhamel.org

**ACCOMMODATIONS DESIRED:**

- double room sharing with \_\_\_\_\_
- single room (\$850 extra per person)

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as  
Deposit (\$800 per person) for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s)

**Passenger #1**

*Clearly print your full name (last/first/middle)  
as it appears on your passport:*

Name: Last \_\_\_\_\_  
First \_\_\_\_\_  
Middle \_\_\_\_\_  
Gender: Please check  Male  Female

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Issued: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Expires: \_\_\_\_\_  
(day/month/year) (day/month/year)

Date of Birth:     
MONTH DAY YEAR

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of  
Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

**Passenger #2**

*Clearly print your full name (last/first/middle)  
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Name: Last \_\_\_\_\_  
First \_\_\_\_\_  
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Gender: Please check  Male  Female

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of Birth:     
MONTH DAY YEAR

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Passenger # 1

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Passenger # 2

\_\_\_\_\_  
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**BAGGAGE:** Airlines may now charge baggage fees for checked luggage on international/domestic flights based on the policy of each carrier. The maximum number of pieces of luggage, the weight allowance and baggage dimensions may also vary by airline from the USA to overseas destinations and beyond. Many carriers require that checked luggage in economy class not exceed 50 lbs with a combined length/width/height of 62 inches. Regulations vary for business/first class passengers. Airline policies regarding baggage are subject to change at any time without prior notice. It is the responsibility of each passenger to check with their airline prior to departure for baggage information, regulations and compliance. Please refer to your electronic airline ticket receipt once received with the final tour documents. Nawas is not responsible for additional fees imposed by air carriers regarding baggage. Due to the limited capacity of luggage compartments on Nawas motorcoaches, Nawas can only allow per person one normal-size suitcase (total dimensions of 62 inches) plus one carry-on bag (total dimensions of 45 inches). Carry-on bags only cannot have wheels and must fit in overhead bins or under your seat. Nawas Travel accepts no responsibility for loss or damage to the tour members' baggage or personal belongings at any time. Baggage insurance is recommended and is available upon written request.

**TRAVELERS REQUIRING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE:** Disabled travelers requiring special attention or care must advise NAWAS in writing at the time of reservation. A physically able companion must accompany any person who needs special assistance. Tour directors, guides, drivers or other tour, hotel or ship personnel are not able to provide such assistance. NAWAS is not responsible for any denial of services to the disabled participant by air carriers, cruise ships, hotels, restaurants or other independent suppliers. Certain countries/ destinations involve extensive walking. Be aware that outside the U.S. the *Americans with Disabilities Act* is not applicable and facilities for disabled individuals are limited. NAWAS is not responsible for any passenger requiring special medical equipment.

## THE TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

Passport fees, visa fees (if any), hotel tourist taxes (to be paid locally), phone calls, valet/laundry service, wines, liquors, mineral water, after dinner coffee or tea, tips to tour director, guides, drivers and waiters, sightseeing, meals and other services not specifically mentioned, excess baggage and all other items of a purely personal nature.

**CANCELLATIONS:** All cancellations must be received in writing at Nawas Travel directly from the tour member. Written cancellations received by Dec 1, 2018 are subject to a \$200 per person administrative cancellation fee. Written cancellations received by Nawas between Dec 2, 2018 and Mar 1, 2019, are subject to a \$600 per person cancellation fee. Written cancellations received by Nawas between Mar 2, 2019 and Aug 1, 2019, are subject to an \$800 per person cancellation fee. Written cancellations received by Nawas from Aug 2, 2019 up until 135 days prior to departure, are subject to a \$1800 per person cancellation fee. From 134 to 100 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to a cancellation fee of 50% of the total tour price per person. From 99 to 65 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to a cancellation fee of 75% of the total tour price per person. Written cancellations received by Nawas 64 days up to and including the day of departure, are subject to a 100% cancellation fee of the total tour price per person. No shows are subject to a 100% cancellation fee and reservations will be cancelled. Failure to receive additional deposits and final payment by the due dates may result in the cancellation of your reservation and the forfeiture of your deposits. Airline tickets are not refundable once issued. No refunds will be given for any unused services while on tour.

**Nawas strongly recommends trip insurance. Insurance for trip cancellation, medical evacuation, medical emergencies, baggage, etc. is available for purchase. An insurance application will be sent upon written request. Please refer to insurance policy for complete details.**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The airfare used is based on non-refundable bulk group fares in effect on Nov 7, 2017. Airlines reserve the right to increase fares without prior notice. Tour members will be required to pay any airfare increases and international surcharges as imposed by the airlines prior to departure. Airlines require a minimum of 15 persons departing from the same gateway city.

Land costs are based on estimated 2020 tariffs, overseas government taxes and rates of exchange in effect on Nov 7, 2017, and a minimum of 36 or more participants per coach. While we have made the best possible estimates of what we expect costs to be in 2020, we cannot guarantee actual prices, exchange rates and airfares. Any increases in land costs or airfare that may occur will be collected from each passenger prior to departure. We reserve the right to increase the cost of the tour consistent with normal increases

should the group fall below 36 persons, or in the event of fluctuations in exchange rates. All prices are based on rates of exchange listed above and while every effort will be made to hold them firm, they are subject to change.

Travel in the year 2020 is expected to be at an all-time high. NAWAS will make every effort to adhere to the itinerary and scheduled departure as outlined herein; however, actual group size, Passion Play ticket availability or circumstances beyond our control may necessitate alterations. Departure date, itinerary sequence, and cities for overnight accommodations may change.

Please note that healthcare/medical costs outside the U.S.A. are not covered by Medicare or private medical insurance plans. Please consult with your health insurance supplier to obtain the necessary health/medical coverage for overseas travel.

**STATE DEPARTMENT/GOV'T AGENCIES:** On occasion, a U.S. or foreign government agency, such as the U.S. State Department ([www.state.gov](http://www.state.gov)), Center for Disease Control ([www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)), etc., may issue a travel advisory, warning or alert for a destination or surrounding area you may be visiting while on tour. Nawas encourages you to refer to these agencies to obtain the most current and up-to-date information. The terms and conditions of your tour program, including cancellation policies, cannot be altered based on any occurrence whatsoever and/or any travel advisory, warning or alert issued in the U.S. or foreign countries where your tour is scheduled to visit, including but not limited to war/terrorism, disease, or natural disasters. Cancellation penalties remain in full effect and no exceptions can be made.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL SERVICE, INC. (NAWAS), and their agents act only in the capacity of agents in all matters pertaining to hotel accommodations, sightseeing tours and transportation, whether by railroad, motor bus, motor car, cruise vessel, boat, air or any other means. Except for the willful negligence of its direct employees, NAWAS is not liable for any damage, loss (including but not limited to personal injury, loss of enjoyment, distress, death and property loss), expense or inconvenience caused by any act or omission of any supplier providing tour services or by any other person or reason whatsoever or by any delays or changes in the itinerary, or the acts and omissions of the tour leader/host or travel agent. NAWAS assumes no liability or responsibility for any injuries, inconveniences, illness, irregularity or incidental damages occasioned by circumstances beyond the control of the tour operator, or by any person or reason whatsoever, including but not limited to events such as strikes, revolts, wars, terrorism, disease, natural disasters, closures of airports, hotels or included sites, default or omission of any common or private carrier. NAWAS reserves the right to cancel the tour at any time, to operate the tour with a substitute tour leader at any time, to decline or not retain any person as a member of the tour for any cause at any time. NAWAS reserves the right to make changes to the published itinerary if needed including deleting and adding cities and changing the sequence of the itinerary, or whenever in NAWAS' sole judgment as conditions warrant, or if NAWAS deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience or safety of the tour. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. The passage contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchasers of this tour and/or passengers. The services of any IATA/ARC air carrier may be used in connection with the tour.

**\*California Residents:** Please read the enclosed disclosure required by the Sellers of Travel Act before booking.

**Exclusive jurisdiction and venue for any and all disputes arising under, in connection with, or related to these General Conditions or the provision of services by NAWAS shall be in the state court sitting in Fairfield County, Connecticut, and you expressly agree not to challenge the jurisdiction or venue of such court or to assert that such court is not a convenient forum. All disputes arising under, in connection with, or related to these General Conditions or the provision of services by NAWAS shall be governed by the internal laws of the State of Connecticut, without regard to its conflicts of law provisions. Payment of deposits by tour participants indicates acceptance of the above terms and General Conditions. The venue for any dispute is Fairfield County, Connecticut. The laws of the state of Connecticut will apply.**

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