

# Reservation Form

## Oberammergau

July 9 - 20, 2010

From New York City	\$5,389
Initial Required Deposit Per Person, Due Now:	\$500
Single Room Supplement:	\$975
Second Payment (\$2,000) Due:	Oct. 31, 2009
Final Payment Due:	Feb. 1, 2010

Please make all checks payable to:  
Footstep Ministries

Name(s) (as on passport) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ Twin-Bedded Room      ☐ Single Room

### Travel Insurance:

Travel Insurance is highly recommended for participation in the tour program. For more information and to purchase insurance from a third party vendor, visit our website, [www.FootstepMinistries.org](http://www.FootstepMinistries.org) and click "Insurance". All program participants must be in good health, ambulatory, and fully able to participate in all tour activities.

**By enclosing the above payment for this tour I hereby confirm that I have read, understood, and accept the Terms and Conditions as stated in this tour package.**

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete all portions of this form, sign and send to :

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2308 York Ct.  
Carrollton, TX 75006

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*Or, register online by credit card at*  
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# Terms and Conditions

This tour is based on rates in effect July 15, 2009 and is subject to change in the event of currency fluctuations or increase in costs. Included in the tour: round trip airfare from New York City; shared double rooms in superior three and four-star hotels; meals daily as per itinerary; transportation and entrance fees to sights; gratuities.

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE: Single room supplement: \$975; Additions/changes to standard program; Individual transfers; Travel insurance; Coffee and drinks; Excess baggage.

RESERVATION, PAYMENT AND DEPOSIT: A deposit of \$500 per person is required at the time of reservation. This initial deposit of \$500 is non-refundable. A payment of \$2,000 pp is due on Reformation Day: October 31, 2009. The final balance is due no later than February 1, 2010.

TRANSFERS: Group transport between airport and hotel is included. Those who request changes from standard program and who do not arrive with the group are responsible for their own transfers.

LUGGAGE: Limit of one suitcase and one carry on per person; portorage is for one suitcase only. Carry-on luggage is the responsibility of passengers.

AIRLINE TRANSPORTATION: Round trip economy air from New York on IATA carriers. Tickets are non-refundable, non-amendable tickets.

FLIGHT TIMES: Subject to change by airlines without advance notice. FM of Carrollton, TX reserves the right to shorten or lengthen the itinerary accordingly and, whenever possible, you will be notified in writing. If changes necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged \$150/night per person, single rooms \$250/night per person.

CANCELLATION FEES: Footstep Ministries must receive all cancellation notices in writing. All cancellations are subject to a fee of \$500 per person if received before October 31, 2009; \$2,000 if received between November 1, 2009 and February 1, 2010; \$3,500 if received between February 2, 2010 and April 10, 2010; and no refund whatsoever if received after April 10, 2010.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Tour participants are highly recommended to purchase insurance for trip cancellation, trip interruption, accident, sickness and/or loss of baggage and personal effects. A link to purchase third party travel insurance can be found on our website, [www.FootstepMinistries.org](http://www.FootstepMinistries.org).

DOCUMENTATION: U.S. citizens require a valid passport. The traveler assumes complete and full responsibility for, and hereby releases FM, Inc. from any duty of checking and verifying any and all passports, visa, vaccination or other entry requirements for each destination, and all safety and security conditions during the proposed travel.

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**The receipt of your deposit will indicate that you have read these Terms and Conditions, and that you have agreed to them. Prices are subject to change. Venue for any disputes is Dallas County, TX. This contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas. All prices are in U.S. funds.**

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**Oberammergau**  
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**Journey to the  
Passion Play**  
Oberammergau Passion Play  
and the Roots of the  
Reformation

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# Itinerary

## Day 1 Departure

Depart USA for overnight transatlantic flight to Berlin.

## Day 2 Berlin

We arrive in Berlin and settle into our hotel. In the afternoon, we get together for introductions and orientation to Berlin and the background of the Reformation. Tonight, we enjoy a special welcome dinner together. Overnight Berlin. (D)

## Day 3 Berlin

We begin our visit to Berlin with a city tour highlighting the three centers of Berlin: the west around Kurfuerstendamm Blvd. and Memorial Church; the new center around Potsdamer Square; and the east around Unter den Linden, Brandenburg Gate and Alexanderplatz. After lunch, we visit the Pergamon Museum and the Bonhoeffer house with a time of worship together. (B/D)

## Day 4 Potsdam & Wittenberg

We travel to Potsdam for a palace tour of Sanssouci, former summer palace of Frederick the Great, King of Prussia. It is often counted among the German rivals of Versailles and is a World Heritage Site. We then travel to Lutherstadt-Wittenberg, home to the historic sights of Luther's life and work. We check in to our hotel in Wittenberg for two nights. (B/D)



## Tour Highlights

Oberammergau's once-a-decade Passion Play is truly one of the world's greatest drama productions. Complemented with our exploration of the Reformation and Gospel lessons in anticipation of the Passion Play, this is sure to be an unforgettable experience.

### Included in the trip:

- Roundtrip flight from New York City
- Air-conditioned motorcoaches
- First Class/Superior Tourist Class hotels
- Breakfast and dinner included daily
- Tour fully escorted by Footstep Ministries staff, David & Elizabeth Iliadou Sparks
- Entrance fees to all museums and sites



## Day 5 Wittenberg

This morning we visit Lutherstadt-Wittenberg where Luther nailed his famous 95 Theses to the door of the Schlosskirche (Castle Church) on October 31, 1517. Inside the church, we can see Martin Luther and Phillip Melancthon's graves. Next we tour the Lutherhalle (Luther House) Museum where Luther lived in 1508. We are able to view pieces of Luther's very own personal library, rare manuscripts, early Bibles, and some of the very pamphlets that Luther had printed up that stoked the fires of the Reformation.

The day also includes Stadtkirche St. Marien (St. Mary's church) where Luther preached. (B/D)

## Day 6 Eisleben & Erfurt

Today we travel to Lutherstadt Eisleben to explore the birth house of Luther, which is now a Museum and contains the first translated German Bible. Other points of interest are the Church of Peter and Paul, Luther's Baptismal site, the house where Luther died at age 62, and St. Andrews Church where Luther preached his last four sermons and where his body was laid. In the afternoon we take a sobering visit to the Buchenwald concentration camp and pause to remember those dark days. We stay in Erfurt for two nights. (B/D)



## Day 7 Eisenach & Wartburg Castle

This morning we explore Eisenach where Johann Sebastian Bach was born. We travel on to Wartburg Castle, where Luther was in exile and hidden by Frederick the Wise after he refused to recant his beliefs. Returning to Erfurt, the spiritual home of Martin Luther, we begin with a walking tour through the historical section of the city. We also visit the church of St. Severus, where Luther gave his sermons. (B/D)



## Our Leaders

Having led tours to Europe for over twenty-five years, we will spend our time in Germany connecting with the pioneers of our faith while journeying to the Passion Play together.

The Rev. Dr. David Sparks is president of Footstep Ministries. Having served in the pastorate for over 20 years, Dr. Sparks is an outstanding Bible teacher and will fill each day with rich insights from the life of Jesus.



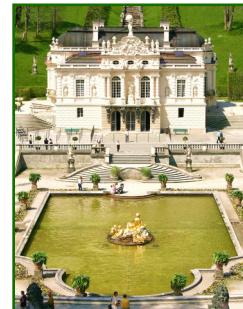
of King Ludwig's spectacular Neuschwanstein Castle, nestled in the Bavarian Alps. We arrive in Oberammergau and spend time strolling the old streets lined with famous painted houses and renowned wood carving studios. Our journey continues to mad King Ludwig's famous castles. Overnight in Oberammergau. (B/D)

## Day 10 Oberammergau Passion Play

The morning is free to stroll around Oberammergau before eating lunch and heading to the Passion Play. The seven hour performance is truly a moving experience as we witness the passion of Jesus, recalling how He gave His life so that we might be forgiven. Gathered together with Christians from around the globe, this once-a-decade play is an unforgettable experience. (B/L/D)

## Day 11 Bavarian Castles & Munich

Our leisurely day today will include a tour of the Wieskirche, "The Church on the Meadow," then Linderhof Castle, with its ornate suites and Venus Grotto. We'll end the day in Munich with free time before our farewell meal this evening. (B/D)



## Day 12 Depart

Depart home from Munich Airport with wonderful memories. (B)

Elizabeth Iliadou Sparks was born in the Biblical town of Berea, Greece. Elizabeth delights in providing you with the best local experiences and authentic cuisine.

Join us as we engage in fellowship while exploring Germany together!



To learn more or to register online for this trip, go to:

[www.FootstepMinistries.org](http://www.FootstepMinistries.org)



Walking Where the Word was Written

Dear Friends in Christ,

Elizabeth and I are eagerly awaiting our return to Oberammergau and the beautiful sights of Germany. We had the privilege of witnessing the Passion Play in 2000, and it was only minutes after exiting the Oberammergau theater that we decided we had to come back. Filled with memorable local experiences and an in depth look at Martin Luther and the origins of the Protestant Reformation, we hope you will join us on this wonderful trip!

On our way to Oberammergau, I will present lessons from the Gospels and the life of Jesus in anticipation of the Passion Play. Each day a devotional message will prepare our hearts as we await the dramatic retelling of Christ's final days in Oberammergau. Of course, no tour would be complete without our gracious hostess, Elizabeth. Once again, she will add her special charm and servant's-heart to make this another unforgettable journey.

It was in 1633 when the residents of Oberammergau vowed to perform the play of Christ's suffering and resurrection if God would spare them from the Bubonic Plague. Over 350 years later, the villagers of Oberammergau put together a local production that is world-famous for its intricacy and emotion.

Joining us will be Dr. Gordon Isaac, professor of Reformation Studies at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. Dr. Isaac is an expert on Luther, and his knowledge of the early Protestant Church will prove invaluable as we explore Germany together. It will be a privilege to have Dr. Isaac with us joined by his wife, Beth.

I hope you will join us as we recall our Christian heritage and remember the passion of our savior.

In Christ,

David Sparks

Rev. Dr. David Sparks  
President, Footstep Ministries

