



World Pilgrimage[©] CHARLESTON,



ST. JOHN'S ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA

APRIL 17 - APRIL 19, 2020

Charleston, South Carolina founded in 1670 as Charles Town is one of the oldest and largest cities in South Carolina. It is considered the “Gem of the South” and boasts historical firsts, many attractions, well-preserved architecture, distinguished restaurants, and hospitable people. Charleston is one of the South’s most

popular tourist attraction. It is surrounded by beautiful beaches including St. John's Island which is the largest island in the state of South Carolina.

WORLD PILGRIMS

All World Pilgrims® journeys have the same goals:

- To deepen the participants' personal faith by visiting some of the world's most sacred sites
- To gain an appreciation of the shared elements of the three religious traditions, as well as an understanding and respect for the differences
- To establish real friendships with pilgrims from many faith traditions, even with the complexities of today's world

All World Pilgrims® journeys operate from the same Guiding Principles:



1. A pilgrimage is a sacred journey—not a travel seminar or a tourist venture. We take time for personal and group reflection, meditation and sharing. Participants are asked to see these times as essential elements of the pilgrimage.
2. The journey will have a formal and very intentional structure. The purpose of this design is to ensure that all participants achieve the goals of the pilgrimage. Each participant will be asked to make a commitment to follow the structure so that the shared goals can be met. This means exercising discipline and a willingness to place the interest of the group above the interest of the individual.
3. The focus is on understanding and accepting the other pilgrims and their traditions. During a pilgrimage, we discuss rather than debate, respect rather than judge, empathize rather than criticize. We seek to understand each other not to change each other.
4. As pilgrims on a common sacred journey, participants are expected to share personal thoughts, beliefs and experiences with each other, trusting the others to respect and appreciate their life stories.
5. Pilgrims are expected to make a commitment to continue their common experience after returning home.

WORLD PILGRIM - DAILY ITINERARY - CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

(tentative, specific plans and activities may change)

DAY 1 (Friday, April 17, 2020)

After boarding Motor Coach, we leave Atlanta promptly at 8:00 a.m. to Charleston, South Carolina. We arrive in Charleston at approximately 12:30, grab lunch and head to Muslim Jumah. After service we return to the hotel and check in. We prepare for dinner and later join our Jewish sisters and brothers for Shabbat at a local synagogue.

Highlights

- **Jumah at a local Masjid**
- **Shabbat at local Synagogue**
- **Dinner with Pilgrims**

DAY 2 (Saturday, April 18, 2020)

After breakfast at the hotel, we gather to talk about the activities for the day and head out to tour the city of Charleston to learn more about Charleston and its history. After the tour, we visit Jan Swanson, one of the founders of World Pilgrims/Interfaith Community Initiatives, at her tiny house on St. John's Island. There we catch up with her in her retirement, have a lunch and a roundtable conversation about what we have experienced. After our time with Jan we return to the hotel and enjoy some free time.

Highlights

- **Historic Charleston Tour**
- **St. John's Island/Lunch with Jan**
- **Interfaith Roundtable**

DAY 3 (Sunday, April 19, 2020)

On our last day in Charleston, we eat breakfast and check out of our rooms for morning worship at Mother Emanuel AME Church and visit the memorial dedicated to the Emmanuel 9. Founded in 1816, Emanuel Church is the oldest African Methodist Episcopal Church in the Southern U.S. After service we visit the Emmanuel 9 memorial 335 and we share lunch at a local restaurant before we begin our journey back to Atlanta.

Highlights

- **Worship at Emanuel AME Church**
- **Visit Emanuel 9 Memorial**
- **Return to Atlanta @ 7:00 P.M.**

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

COST: \$475 per person, double occupancy/ single room \$550.00

Application with a deposit of \$200.00 with application is needed to make the list of travelers on first response basis. Full payment is due by March 15, 2020. Please make all checks payable to ICI/World Pilgrims or pay online at www.interfaithci.org

MEALS: Breakfast and lunch or dinner are included daily.

SIGHTSEEING: As per attached program. The schedule may have to vary the sequence of the tour or to make substitutions, if necessary. All transfers and sightseeing by private motor coach.

BAGGAGE: Please limit luggage to no more than one personal item and one carry one per person. ICI/World Pilgrims is released from any liability whatsoever, resulting in loss, damage, theft, weather, delay in transit to any baggage, luggage, hand piece, etc., of the participant during any and all portions of this tour.

TIPS/TAXES: All service charges for meals, tips for the driver and other gratuities are included in the cost of the Pilgrimage.

CANCELLATION: No cancellation fee if cancelled up to 30 days prior to departure, except a \$75, administrative fee. No cancellation fee is refundable after thirty days.

NOT INCLUDED: Items of a personal nature such as in-room service, laundry, telephone, special food or drink, lunches and checked baggage costs

ACCIDENT WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY: I HEREBY ASSUME ALL OF THE RISKS OF PARTICIPATING IN ANY/ALL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS PILGRIMAGE/IMMERSION including by way of example and not limitation, any risks that may arise from negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities being released, from dangerous or defective equipment or property owned, maintained, or controlled by them, or because of their possible liability without fault. I certify that I am physically fit, have sufficiently prepared or trained for participation in this activity, and have not been advised to not participate by a qualified medical professional. I certify that there are no health-related reasons or problems which preclude my participation in this activity.

I acknowledge that this Accident Waiver and Release of Liability Form will be used Interfaith Community Initiatives, organizers of the activity in which I may participate, and that it will govern my actions and responsibilities at said activity.

In consideration of my application and permitting me to participate in this activity, I hereby take action for myself, my executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors, and assigns as follows:

(A) I WAIVE, RELEASE, AND DISCHARGE from any and all liability, including but not limited to, liability arising from the negligence or fault of the entities or persons released, for my death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft, or actions of any kind which may hereafter occur to me including my traveling to and from this activity, INTERFAITH COMMUNITY INITIATIVES, INC. (ICI) and/or their directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives, and agents, and the activity holders, sponsors, and volunteers; (B) INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS, AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE the entities or persons mentioned in this paragraph from any and all liabilities or claims made as a result of participation in this activity, whether caused by the negligence of release or otherwise.

I acknowledge that ICI and its directors, officers, volunteers, representatives, and agents are NOT responsible for the errors, omissions, acts, or failures to act of any party or entity conducting a specific activity on their behalf.

I acknowledge that this activity may involve a test of a person's physical and mental limits and carries with it the potential for death, serious injury, and property loss. The risks include, but are not limited to, those caused by terrain, facilities, temperature, weather, condition of participants, equipment, vehicular traffic, lack of hydration, and actions of other people including, but not limited to, participants, volunteers, monitors, and/or producers of the activity. These risks are not only inherent to participants but are also present for volunteers.

I hereby consent to receive medical treatment which may be deemed advisable in the event of injury, accident, and/or illness during this activity.

I understand while participating in this activity, I may be photographed. I agree to allow my photo, video, or film likeness to be used for any legitimate purpose by ICI.

The Accident Waiver and Release of Liability Form shall be construed broadly to provide a release and waiver to the maximum extent permissible under applicable law.

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT AND I FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENT. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

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Interfaith Community Initiatives, Inc has the mission to transform the Atlanta metropolitan area into a model community for interfaith understanding and collaboration. We do this by developing and leading innovating, inviting programs that inspire deep engagement and interfaith appreciation. We are committed to developing long-term interfaith relations and collaborations through programs like World Pilgrims®, Interfaith Immersions, Interfaith Contemplative Groups, and the Atlanta Interfaith Leaders Fellowship.

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