

SUMMER 2018

# GREAT CONTROVERSY TOUR



*Castle of Canossa*

RETRACE THE CHRISTIAN HERITAGE IN EUROPE FROM ITS ROOTS IN EARLY CHRISTIANITY, THROUGH THE DARK AGES, TO THE FRENCH REVOLUTION

## Tour Summary



*Place of Huss' Death, Constant*

- **Tour Length:** 8 days
- **Tour Dates:** June 21-28, 2018
- **Objective:** To see prophecies of Daniel and Revelation come alive!
- **Tour Hosts:** Dr. P. Gerard Damsteegt, Specialist in Adventist Studies and Church History, tour guide; Laurel Damsteegt, tour coordinator
- **Price:** \$1570. Deposit of \$500 to hold place on tour. Balance of payment due January 15, 2018
- **Single room Surcharge:** \$350
- **Costs Include:**
  - Hotels (double occupancy)
  - Two vegetarian meals a day:
    - a buffet breakfast and a dinner
  - Entrance fees to museums and sites
  - Air-conditioned deluxe coach
  - Great Controversy Revisited* study guide
  - Use of audio receiver and earphones to help hear tour guide better
- **For more information:** email: [gctours@mac.com](mailto:gctours@mac.com) or call 269-815-8624.



*College of the Barbes, Pro del Torno*

# Tour Itinerary

## Day 1 (Thursday, June 21): Siena and Canossa

*Focus: End of Pagan Rome, Inquisition, and Height of Papacy*

Buffet Breakfast: 6:30.

Departure: 7:15 a.m.

Morning: *Rome's Enduring Legacy*

Visit Siena, the place Pius VI was imprisoned in 1798 and an inquisition museum.

Lunch on own in Siena.

Afternoon: Climb to Castle of Canossa where Pope Gregory VII revealed the supreme power of the papacy by humiliating Emperor Henry IV.

Dinner at hotel in Parma at 7:15 p.m.

## Day 2 (Friday, June 22): Waldensian Valley

*Focus: The True Church Living Under the Papacy*

Breakfast Buffet: 6:30. Departure: 7:15 a.m.

Drive to Torre Pellice and Visit SDA Church in Torre Pellice

Lunch: Torre Pellice

Afternoon: Visit historic Waldensian monuments:

Chanforan, the Cave Church and the College of the Barbes in Pra del Torno.

Dinner at the hotel at 7:00 pm

Sundown vespers

## Day 3 (Sabbath, June 23): Sabbath in Waldensian Valleys

*Focus: The Dawn of the Reformation.*

Buffet Breakfast: 8:00.

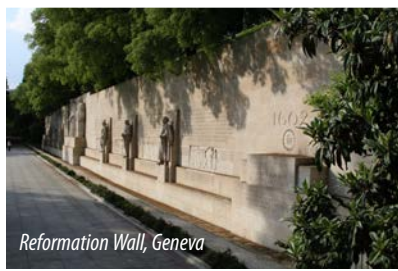
Morning: Worship in a Waldensian Church, 10:00–12:00 a.m.

Lunch at the hotel at 1:15 p.m.

Afternoon: Walk to Sibaud Monument or in the Valley of the Invincibles.

Dinner at the hotel at 7:00 p.m.

Sundown vespers.



## Day 4 (Sunday, June 24): Geneva, Switzerland

*Focus: Calvin and the French Reformation.*

Buffet Breakfast: 6:30. Departure:

7:15 a.m. Enjoy a scenic drive through the Alps and a tunnel under Mont Blanc, Europe's highest mountain.

Free time & lunch: 11:30-1:00 p.m. in Chamonix, France, at the foot of Mont Blanc.

Afternoon: Drive to Geneva—the city of Calvin and the center of the French Reformation. Visit to St. Pierre Cathedral, Reformation Museum, Calvin's House, and the Reformation Monument.  
Dinner at hotel at 7:15 p.m.

## Day 5 (Monday, June 25): Kappel and Zurich, Switzerland and Konstanz, Germany

*Focus: Zwingli, the Anabaptists, John Huss and Jerome of Prague*

Buffet Breakfast: 6:30. Departure: 7:15 a.m.

Morning: Visit battlefield where Zwingli died. Visit Zwingli and Anabaptist sites in Zurich.

Free time & lunch: 12:15-1:45 p.m.

Afternoon: Visit to Konstanz (Constance), Germany. A walk to visit places where John Huss and Jerome lodged, the church of their trial (Council of Constance), and the place where they were burnt at the stake.

Dinner at the hotel at 7 p.m.

## Day 6 (Tuesday, June 26): Speyer and Worms, Germany

*Focus: Luther and the German Reformation.*



Buffet Breakfast: 6:30. Departure: 7:15 a.m.

Morning: Visit to Spires Memorial Church commemorating the name "Protestant."

Free time & lunch: 12:00-1:30 p.m.

Afternoon: Visit to Worms, The Luther room in the Museum, the Cathedral of St. Peter, the place Luther stood before the Emperor of the Holy Roman Empire, and the Reformation Monument  
Awards dinner at hotel at 7:15 p.m.

## Day 7 (Wednesday, June 27): Rheims and Paris, France

*Focus: The French Reformation and the Role of France in Prophecy.*

Buffet Breakfast: 6:30. Departure: 7:15 a.m.

Morning: Visit to Notre Dame in Rheims, where the baptism of Clovis, King of Franks ("the eldest son of the papacy") took place in 508 A.D.

Lunch on the way.

Afternoon: A drive through Paris to see sites of French Reformation and French Revolution—such as the place of guillotine at Place de la Concorde, the Champs-Élysées, the Arc de Triomphe.

Visit Napoleon's tomb, Notre Dame, center of the cult of the Goddess of Reason, guillotine at Place de la Greve.

Free time & Dinner: 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Boat trip through the heart of Paris.

## Day 8 (Thursday, June 28):

Breakfast buffet and hotel shuttle to Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG) for flight home.

# Registration for GC Tour, June 21-28, 2018

To hold your place, please complete this form now and include a \$500 check (per person) made out to Christian Heritage Media and mail it to GC Tours, PO Box 365, Dunlap TN 37327-0365. Passport copy and selfie can be included or emailed to [gctours@mac.com](mailto:gctours@mac.com). Balance of payment due January 15, 2018.

## I. First Traveler Male Female

Name \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Country & Number \_\_\_\_\_

Religious Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

2. I prefer:  Lacto-ovo vegetarian.  Vegan

3. I prefer the study guide as  paper book  PDF

4. Emergency Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relation \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Second Traveler (Spouse/Child) Male Female

Name \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Country & Number \_\_\_\_\_

Religious Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

2. I prefer:  Lacto-ovo vegetarian.  Vegan

3. I prefer the study guide as  paper book  PDF

4. Emergency Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relation \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

4. If not rooming with a family member I wish to room with \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Please match me up with another single going on the trip (if no other single is available, I understand I am subject to the single room surcharge of \$350).

\_\_\_\_\_ I wish to have a room all to myself (single room surcharge of \$350 applicable)

5. I understand that I should make my own flight arrangements to depart from Charles de Gaulle Airport, Paris, France (CDG) on or after Thursday, June 28, any time.

6. Here is a recent picture and a copy of the passport page with my picture for identification. (I understand I may also attach a digital pictures to an email and send it to [gctours@mac.com](mailto:gctours@mac.com)).

7. I am in excellent health. I understand that the Great Controversy Tour is a rigorous trip with considerable walking (up to 6 miles a day) with lots of standing while sightseeing. I also realize I will have to carry my own bags—sometimes up stairs. (Those over 75 years of age, or anyone suffering any chronic disease, must have medical clearance).

8. I understand that I will be responsible for the care of the audio transmitter and earphone issued me. In case of damage or loss of the transmitter I understand that I will pay for repair, or \$110 for a replacement.

9. I have read the terms and conditions of the tour. Please enroll me now. I understand that to hold my place, a deposit of \$500 is due now with the balance of \$1070, due January 15, 2018.

1. Signature First Traveler \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Second Traveler \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# GC Tour Information and Conditions

**Surface Transportation:** All transportation as described in the itinerary will be via air conditioned deluxe motor coach designed for highway travel.

**No Smoking/Alcohol Policy:** No smoking or use of alcoholic beverages is permitted on the coaches during daily touring.

**Hotel:** In general, three and four star hotels have been selected. The prices are based on double occupancy. For single occupancy there will be a surcharge.

**Meals:** A vegetarian buffet breakfast and vegetarian dinner are included in the tour price. On Sabbaths, lunch is included.

**Tour Price Does Not Include:** Airfare, passports, visas, or laundry. Drinks at meal time are not included. Each person must pay for all beverages, including bottled water.

**Baggage:** The coach has limited storage. Therefore each person is allowed a maximum of one suitcase with combined length, width and height of 62 inches (to not exceed 50 lbs). A hand bag and camera case are also allowed. If one plans to buy new luggage, consider getting luggage with wheels.

**Deposit and Payment:** The cost of the land tour is \$1570. To reserve a place on the tour one must pay a deposit of \$500. The tour price is subject to the exchange rate of the US dollar to the Euro. A significant decline of the value of the dollar may increase the tour price. However, there will be no price changes after full payment has been made. Checks/money orders should be made in US dollars to **GC Tours**, and mailed to GC Tours, PO Box 365, Dunlap TN 37327-0365. Credit card payments are possible but with a 3.5% service charge. Direct deposits may also be made. Make inquiry for routing number. Payment balance is due January 15, 2018.

**Extra Charge:** Those who damage or lose the audio receiver or headset must accept the responsibility for repair or replacement of the parts in question. Each receiver costs \$110.

**Agency Responsibility:** Christian Heritage Media acts as a management agent for the Great Controversy Tour. Christian Heritage Media cannot be held responsible for personal injury, loss or theft of passenger's baggage, for any delay or cancellation due to war, terrorism, natural disasters, strikes, financial collapse, disruption of advertised schedules or other causes beyond their control, or any change due to exchange rates. (Buy travel insurance!)

**Passports and Visas:** Participants are responsible for securing their passports and visas. The countries to be visited

are: Italy, Switzerland, Germany, and France. Persons with US Passports do not need special visas for these countries. **Persons of other nationalities should check with their consulates/embassies and obtain their own visas as necessary.** Christian Heritage Media cannot be held responsible for those who fail to obtain proper travel documents. Christian Heritage Media cannot refund persons whose visas do not arrive in time for the tour.

**Final Travel Documents:** Travel documents, including a hotel list with addresses will be emailed to tour participants within the last two or three weeks prior to departure.

**Itinerary Change:** It is possible that the daily itinerary may be adapted by unforeseen circumstances. The tour hosts reserve the right to make itinerary adjustments deemed necessary for any reason.

**Travel Insurance:** We strongly recommend that each participant take out travel insurance to protect against financial loss if one has to cancel or interrupt the trip due to sudden illness or other unforeseen circumstances. You may like to check with your local travel agency for their insurance recommendations.

**Cancellation:** In the event that a tour participant who has paid cannot go on the tour because of unforeseen circumstances, the following will apply: All cancellations are subject to a \$50 administration fee, per person. Cancellations before January 15, 2018 will receive a full refund, less administration costs. Cancellations after January 15, 2018 forfeit the deposit; 45-30 days before the tour 50% of tour price; 29-0 days 100% of the tour price. It is therefore strongly recommended to have travel insurance to protect in case of any emergencies or valid, necessary cancellations. 100% of cancellation fees may be covered by the optional travel insurance protection plan (mentioned under the Travel Insurance section) provided premium has been paid and reasons for cancellation are insurable. Cancellations must be submitted in writing and dated. Depending on whether substitute persons can be found to fill the places or not, cancellation fees are sometimes waived by Christian Heritage Media. If the trip is cancelled due to political circumstances a full or partial refund, less administrative costs, will be issued.



Napoleon's Tomb, Paris