NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

# THE BEST OF IRELAND & NORTHERN IRELAND

12 Days: September 23-October 4, 2024

Visiting

BELFAST \* DERRY \* KNOCK \* GALWAY \* CONNEMARA KILLARNEY \* RING OF KERRY \* BLARNEY \* DUBLIN

Hosted by

MR. AND MRS. LEON MAULDIN

## \$4799 PER PERSON FROM ATLANTA

(Air/land tour price is \$4299 plus \$500 government taxes/airline surcharges)







Clockwise from Left to Right: Blarney Castle ~ Ring of Kerry ~ Cliffs of Moher

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Hi Fellow-Travelers,

My 2<sup>nd</sup> international tour for 2024 is scheduled for September 23-October 4, "12 Days Best of Ireland & Northern Ireland." Upon our arrival in Dublin we will travel north for Belfast. Our itinerary is packed with scenic locations and historical sites in

Belfast, and from there we will drive along the northeastern coast to view the Nine Glens of Antrim and then the famous Giant's Causeway. Our tour includes Derry with its historic walls. Also including the Waterford Area, Killarney, Galway, Connemara, Sligo (birthplace of the poet W.B. Yeats) and more! Included is the Waterford Glass Factory where we will see the famed crystal being handmade. Cork is a lovely old city of dreamy spires and elegant limestone buildings. At the Blarney Castle we will visit the legendary Blarney Stone. One high-point of the tour is a full day exploring the 109-mile "Ring of Kerry", encircling the Iveragh Peninsula, a panorama of spectacular coastal and mountain scenery along golden beaches.

Our USA point of departure and return is Atlanta. We have some **excellent prices:** Nawas' total tour price is \$4,799.00 roundtrip from Atlanta (breakdown: air/land tour price is \$4,299 plus \$500 government taxes/airline surcharges). Additionally, I will collect \$175 per passenger for tips which I will distribute among our guides/drivers, hotel staff & porters, etc.

Most of you receiving this invitation to the Ireland tour are aware that my interest and emphasis in international tours has been to visit and photograph the Bible lands, including Israel, Turkey, Greece, Egypt, Sicily & Italy. That will continue to be the case, the Lord willing. But several who have traveled with me to the Bible lands have also expressed interest in Ireland. We had a great tour there in 2017. While this tour will visit some sites on our itinerary then, the 2024 itinerary has one additional day, and features Northern Ireland (which we did not see in 2017).

Linda & I hope you will join us!

**Safety**. While there is appropriate concern regarding the present Israel/Gaza crisis, I know of no present safety concerns in Ireland. It is considered safe to travel there.

I hope you will join us; a \$500 deposit will secure your place on this tour. Contact me at <a href="leon.mauldin@gmail.com">leon.mauldin@gmail.com</a> or text/call my cell: 256-339-0755. Please share this info with friends!

Kindest Regards, Leon Mauldin

Leon Mauldin has preached for local churches since 1972, and has served as minister/evangelist at his current location in Hanceville, AL (Hanceville Church of Christ), for the past 34 years. He has made numerous trips to the Bible lands for research and photography for Biblical teaching, and has directed international tours annually since 2009. He has conducted special series in several states and foreign countries on the History and Geography of the Bible, and related topics. He is one of the authors of the new *Discovering God's Way* Bible class curriculum, and writes regular articles on biblical archaeology for *Truth Magazine*. Mauldin holds associate membership in the Evangelical Theological Society and the Near East Archaeological Society.

#### **TOUR FEATURES:**

- Round trip airfare from Atlanta
- \$500 government taxes & airline surcharges
- Accommodations in first class/select hotels based on 2 persons sharing in twin-bedded rooms with private bath
- Irish breakfast daily plus 7 dinners
- Services of a professional English-speaking driver/ guide
- ♦ Comprehensive sightseeing throughout
- All admission fees, porterage and hotel service charges
- Transfers to/from airports by private motorcoach including meeting/assistance and porterage

#### DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

#### ATLANTA/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

#### MON, SEPT 23

Depart Atlanta today on board your overnight transatlantic flight. En route, enjoy dinner followed by a fulllength movie.

#### ARRIVE DUBLIN/BELFAST

#### TUE, SEPT 24

Upon arrival at Dublin Airport you will meet your driver/guide, and board your motor coach bound for Belfast. Drive north via the town of Downpatrick to visit the burial site of St. Patrick. Continue to Belfast, the capital city of Northern Ireland located on the river Lagan.

(D)

## BELFAST/GIANT'S CAUSEWAY/DERRY WED. SEPT 25

Once a major industrial city known especially for its master ship builders, Belfast has transformed itself into a major cultural center. On your morning sightseeing tour in this Victorian designed city you will see Queens University and the Titanic Quarter where the tragic liner was built. Also view the City Hall built in 1903 and the Albert Memorial Clock Tower. Then depart and drive along the northeastern coast to view the Nine Glens of Antrim and continue to visit the famous Giant's Causeway. It is one of nature's most spectacular wonders-40,000 six-sided symmetrical lava columns that range in size from 2 inches to 36 feet. The causeway was formed by volcanic activity over 60 million years ago and today is recognized as a World Conservation site. Continue to Derry for overnight. (B,D)

#### **DERRY/DONEGAL/SLIGO**

#### THU, SEPT 26

This morning your walking tour of Derry will include the Guildhall with its famous stained glass windows and the historic Walls of Derry. Then journey through County Donegal. Drive along the Finn Valley past the Blue Stack mountain range and the picturesque town of Glenties to Ardara, center of the tweed industry. Continue to visit Donegal town and Beleek, famous for Parian China. Drive along the western coast through "Yeats Country" to Sligo. (B,D)

#### SLIGO/GALWAY

#### FRI, SEPT 27

This morning visit the burial place of the Irish poet W.B. Yeats. Then travel to south to Galway, the principal city of western Ireland. Enjoy an orientation tour of this ancient city before continuing to your hotel. **(B,D)** 

#### **GALWAY/CONNEMARA/GALWAY**

#### SAT, SEPT 28

Today explore the wild, majestic Connemara region, home of Aran knits. Your tour embraces the rugged country lying between Lough Corrib and the Atlantic Ocean, a breathtaking region of mountains, lakes and peat land dotted with tiny cottages. Enroute visit Leenane, Kylemore Lake and Clifden. Return to Galway.

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#### SUN, SEPT 29

This morning attend Sunday worship. Then depart Galway today stopping enroute in a local village to see the awe-inspiring Cliffs of Moher soaring hundreds of feet above the sea. Continue south through County Clare and take the ferry across the broad Shannon estuary to Tarbert. Then drive by picturesque Tralee to Killarney, located in the kingdom of Kerry. (B,D)

**GALWAY/KILLARNEY** 

#### RING OF KERRY

#### MON, SEPT 30

Today you have an opportunity to enjoy what is perhaps Ireland's most breathtaking tour. Spend the day exploring the 109-mile "Ring of Kerry," encircling the Iveragh Peninsula, a panorama of spectacular coastal and mountain scenery along golden beaches. Pass beautiful lakes, quaint little villages and drive along the rugged Atlantic shore before returning to Killarney where the balance of the day is at leisure. (B)

## KILLARNEY/BLARNEY CASTLE/WATERFORD TUES, OCT 1

This morning our travels turn eastward as we drive onward to Blarney Castle to visit the legendary Blarney Stone, said to bestow the gift of eloquent speech on those who kiss it. Then drive to Cork, a lovely old city of dreamy spires and elegant limestone buildings, located on the River Lee. After your visit, continue to Waterford for overnight.

(B,D)

## WATERFORD/GLENDALOUGH/DUBLIN WED, OCT 2

This morning visit the Waterford Glass Factory and see the famed crystal being handmade. Then drive north past the fishing port of Arklow and on to Glendalough to visit the ruins of the monastic settlement. Continue this afternoon through the Wicklow Mountains to the fair city of Dublin. This evening, spend time worshiping with local residents of Dublin. (B,D)

#### **DUBLIN**

#### THU, OCT 3

Your tour of Dublin this morning includes a visit of Trinity College to view the famous Book of Kells. Other highlights include St. Patrick's Cathedral, Phoenix Park and the fine old Georgian Squares of Merrion and Fitzwilliam for which the city is renowned. This afternoon is free for independent activities. (B)

#### **DUBLIN/ATLANTA**

#### FRI, OCT 4

All too soon your adventure is over as you transfer to Dublin Airport in time for your departure back to Atlanta, arriving the same day.

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(B) ~ Breakfast (D) ~ Dinner



#### **PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**

Reservations may be secured upon payment of a deposit.

- A \$500 deposit is due with your reservation
- Final payment is due at NAWAS 100 days prior to departure date

#### TOUR-SPECIFIC INFORMATION

For terms and conditions please visit: www.nawas.com/terms-and-conditions

Taxes/Airline Surcharges: In effect on January 15, 2024.

Hotel Service Charges/Taxes: In effect on January 15, 2024 (excluding hotel tourist taxes).

Airfare: In effect on January 15, 2024.

Land Costs: Based on 2024 tariffs, overseas government taxes and rates of exchange in effect on January 15, 2024 and a minimum of 32 or more participants per coach.

#### **Customer Reviews:**

"It's been my extreme pleasure to benefit from your invaluable assistance with my tours — 97 so far — for the past 28 years. I wouldn't dream of letting anyone else handle the many details involved in making these difficult, exotic itineraries a success, as evidenced by my many repeat clients and their referrals. Your superb attention to detail, your honesty, and your friendship are greatly appreciated. You can count on Nawas being my 'one and only' for many years to come." --Ms. M.B., California

"As always, the arrangements for our pilgrimage by Nawas were excellent. To a person, those on the tour were filled with praise for the trip. Everything was A+." --Monsignor R.S., Utah

"You people make this easy. Everything was out-standing. Those who have been on other trips have come to expect quality and they get it!" --Father P.T., Ohio

Family Owned for 75 Years: Nawas International Travel was founded in 1949 by Mr. Yousef Nawas. He created our faith-based tour company with a vision of offering specially designed programs of spiritual enrichment and superior quality. Mr. Nawas made travel affordable so that the faithful of all walks of life could partake. Though Mr. Nawas has since passed on, Nawas International Travel remains under the guidance of his family and continues to serve thousands of travelers every year. With our global network, affordable prices and expert tour directors combined with years of group travel expertise, we guarantee the highest quality tour and services.



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### 12 DAYS BEST OF IRELAND & NORTHERN IRELAND ◆ RESERVATION FORM ◆

09/23/2024

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