

Museum of the Bible Bus Tour – Itinerary June 6-13, 2024 Page 1

Day 1 - Thur. June 6 (meals included: none today)

6:15 a	Begin boarding Marinette, Jack's Fresh Market on Roosevelt parking lot
6:30 a	Depart
7:20 a	Board DePere, Park and Ride lot off Hwy G/Hwy 41 intersection
8:00 a	Board Appleton, DoubleTree parking lot (west of 41, south of College Ave)
9:00 a - 9:45 a	Love's Travel Stop, Fond du Lac, WI Enjoy leg stretch. Following, travel to Hammond, IN
12:45 p - 2:00 p	Cracker Barrel , Hammond, IN Enjoy lunch break, on your own. Following, travel to Maumee, OH with brief leg.

EASTERN TIME

6:45 p Arrive Country Inn and Suites, Maumee, OH 419-893-8576

Hotel check-in. Indoor pool, fitness center available. Balance of evening free. Two dining options are available next to our hotel (Applebee's and Don Juan Mexican Bar & Grill) plus others within walking distance (McDonalds, Wendy's, Smokey Bones Bar & Grill, Cracker Barrel and Bangkok Kitchen).

Day 2 – Fri. June 7 (meals included: breakfast and dinner, included, at our hotel.

8:00 a Check-out, depart hotel. Travel to New Stanton, PA with brief leg stretch.

12:15 p - 1:15 p Arrive New Stanton, PA

Enjoy lunch, on your own, at different dining options available. (Burger King or Quiznos)

4:45 p - 6:15 p Arrive **Country Inn and Suites**, Gettysburg, PA 717-337-9518 Hotel check-in. Indoor pool, fitness center available.

6:30 p Arrive O'Rourke's Restaurant

Enjoy dinner, included. Named for a Civil War hero, this bar and grill offers Irish and American pub fare in a charming setting. Tonight you will enjoy one of 4 options to include:

- Fish Basket with Fries and Coleslaw - Beef Stew over Mashed Potatoes with Salad,

- Shepherd's Pie with Salad - or Pasta Marinara topped with Chicken with Salad

(Following, we will return to our hotel)



Day 3 Sat. - June 8 (meals included: breakfast and dinner included at our hotel.) Page 2

8:15 a Check-out, depart hotel.

8:30 a - 10:30 a Gettysburg Battlefield Tour

We will depart with our battlefield guide, as he (or she) will show us where a nation was saved. For 3 days in July, 1863, urgent fighting swept across the fields and gentle slopes outside this tranquil town of Gettysburg. A Licensed Battlefield Guide will lead our tour on our motor coach. You will also have the opportunity to walk on this hallowed ground.

10:45 a - 11:30 a Visitor Center for Film and Cyclorama

First we will enjoy the Gettysburg film "A New Birth of Freedom." Narrated by Morgan Freeman, and featuring the voices of Sam Waterston and Marcia Gay Harden, "A New Birth of Freedom" places the monumental events of the Battle of Gettysburg into the larger context of American history.

11:30 a - 1:30 p Gettysburg Museum of the American Civil War with time for lunch

Here we will enjoy 12 exhibit galleries that contain artifacts and interactive displays. We will enjoy the museum and for lunch, we will eat at the Refreshment Saloon, **on your own**. Additionally the Bookstore features a wide selection of books and souvenirs.

3:30 p - 4:00 p Arrive Holiday Inn – Arlington-Ballston

4610 Fairfax Dr. - Arlington, VA - 703-24-9800 Hotel check-in (4 nights). Fitness center and outdoor pool available.

5:00 p Depart hotel for evening dinner.

5:30 p - 7:00 p Fashion Centre at Pentagon City

Enjoy dinner and shopping, on your own. Fashion Centre at Pentagon City, offers a world-class shopping experience where avenues and boulevards of style await. The Metro Level Dining Pavilion features Charlies Cheesecakes, Haagen-Dazs, Health Pub, King Cajun Grill, Kong Dog, McDonald's, Panda Express, Popeye's Chicken, Sakina's Kabobs & Gyros, Sarku Japan, Starbucks, Subway, Villa Pizza and more. Other dining places are available on other floors including Shake Shack, Sante`, Matchbox, Maizal, Chipotle Mexican Grill, Café Nordstrom and others.

7:00 p Following our visit, we will return to our hotel for the balance of the evening, as tomorrow will be a busy day!

Day 4 – Sun. June 9 (meals include full breakfast and dinner at our hotel.)

9:30 a Depart hotel

Today we are off to D.C. where we will enjoy a visit to the Museum of the Bible.



10:30 a - 4:15 p Museum of the Bible

The Museum of the Bible, showcases fascinating artifacts and offers an immersive experience with the Bible and its ongoing impact on the world around us. The grand lobby is long and awe-inspiring, with a digital display on the ceiling that rotates through colorful designs through the day. Upon your opening stroll, you will immediately be aware that you have entered a museum like no other. Enjoy a guided tour of the highlights of the museum.

5:00 p - **6:45 p** Enjoy dinner, included (to be determined)

This evening, we will depart from the Museum with our own step-on guide for an evening tour. First we will enjoy an <u>included meal</u>, and then following our dinner, enjoy an evening tour with our guide presenting all the sites in a different light, quite literally, before returning to the hotel.

Day 5 – Mon. June 10 (meals included full breakfast and dinner at our hotel)

8:30 a Depart hotel with our step-on guide of D.C.

Throughout our day, we will travel with our own professional step-on guide that will show us all around Washington, D.C., with stops at many of the monuments and attractions D.C. is famous for.

9:00 a - 11:30 a Arlington Cemetery

This morning, we will begin touring our nation's Capital by visiting Arlington Cemetery; America's largest national burial ground with more than 600 acres of landscaped hills. Among the thousands of white headstones are the graves of President John F. Kennedy, Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, world champion boxer Joe Louis and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

12:00 p - 2:00 p L'enfant Plaza - enjoy lunch on your own

2:45 p - 5:00 p United States Holocaust Memorial Museum (pending availability)

Our group will have a preregistered time to visit this amazing living memorial to the Holocaust. Located on the National Mall, the Museum is a living memorial to the Holocaust and inspires citizens and leaders worldwide to confront hatred, prevent genocide, and promote human dignity.

5:30 p - 6:30 p Carmines, dinner, included.

Carmine's is a family style restaurant that celebrates Southern Italian cuisine. They try to make you feel like you are at an Italian American wedding feast. Platters of home style antipasto, pasta dishes or meat entrees and of course homemade desserts are staples. Following dinner, we will return to the hotel for the balance of the evening. *Following dinner, we will return to the hotel for the balance of the evening.*

Day 6 – Tue. June 11 (meals included: breakfast and dinner at our hotel.

9:30 a Depart Hotel

9:45 a - **5:15 p** The Smithsonian Museums - Washington is home to the world's most famous museum. Encompassing more than a dozen different buildings, the Smithsonian is a "must see" on any Washington DC. (continued on next page)

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visit. We will drop off at the Smithsonian Institution Information Center: Known as the "Castle," the oldest of the 14 Smithsonian museums in D.C. From this location, we will have the opportunity to walk to the other buildings.

Following, you will have the remainder of the morning and afternoon to explore on your own. We will give you options for your day of exploring D.C. as you like.

5:30 p - **7:00 p** Dinner at **McCormick and Schmick's**, included. Located in the heart of D.C.'s business district and just two blocks from The White House, they have distinguished themselves with a menu of fresh seafood and local sourced ranches and farms to showcase regionally inspired dishes. Following our dinner, we will return to our hotel early so that we can enjoy another good nights sleep. Tomorrow, we are on our way home!

Day 7 – Wed. June 12 (meals include full breakfast at our hotel.)

8:00 a Check-out, depart hotel Travel to New Stanton, PA with leg stretch en route.

12:00 p - 1:00 p New Stanton, PAEnjoy lunch, on your own options available. (Burger King or Quiznos)

5:15 p Arrive Country Inn and Suites 541 W Dussel Dr. Maumee, OH 419/893-8576

Hotel check-in. Indoor pool, fitness center available. Evening free. Dining options available near hotel.

Day 8 – Thur. June 13 (meals included: continental breakfast at our hotel.)

8:00 a Check-out, depart hotel. Travel to Wadsworth, IL with brief leg stretch.

12:00 p - **1:00 p** The Shanty Restaurant, Wadsworth, IL (Enjoy lunch, included) Between Chicago and Milwaukee, this restaurant offers a wide selection of scratch-made American and global inspired dishes. For our experience, we have selected a variety of lunch favorites to satisfy any appetite. Following, we will return home.

- 2:45 p 3:15 p Approximate return, Fond du Lac, enjoy brief leg stretch
- 4:00 p Approximate return, Appleton
- **4:30 p** Approximate return, **DePere**
- 5:30 p Approximate return, Marinette

Because of the nature of this trip, some attractions will require photo I.D. for admittance. A driver's license would be acceptable. Expect a fair amount of walking, particularly while in D.C., throughout this tour. This escorted 8-day tour includes transportation, Lodging, <u>12 meals</u>, Gettysburg visit with tour of Gettysburg Battlefield, Washington, D.C. Guide Service, Tour of Arlington National Cemetery, admission to the Museum of the Bible, And so much more!