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FROM SHREVEPORT, LA



8-Day Pilgrimage

# Shrines of Mexico

October 17 – 24, 2024





# MEXICO CITY

## *Day 1:* DEPART FOR MEXICO CITY / SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Your pilgrimage begins today as you board your flight to Mexico City. After arriving, we will celebrate Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Patroness of the Americas). We will continue to your hotel for check-in, dinner, and overnight accommodations.

## *Day 2:* SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE / PLAZA OF 3 CULTURES / TEOTIHUACAN

This morning, we will start by visiting the Plaza of Three Cultures and the baptismal site of St. Juan Diego. Next, we will celebrate Mass at the Shrine of Guadalupe and continue to Teotihuacan to see the ancient Pyramids. Later, we will transfer to your hotel for dinner and overnight accommodations.

## *Day 3:* FATHER PRO / HISTORICAL CENTRE

This morning, we will visit the Museum of Padre Pro and Celebrate Mass at Sagrada Familia. Next, we will drive to the Historic City Centre and visit the Metropolitan Cathedral on the Zocalo or main square. Inside, you will see the Chapel of the Miraculous Cross of Poison. Originally made of white marble, the cross miraculously turned black from absorbing poison placed on it intended to kill the Bishop who kissed the feet of the cross every day after mass. Your tour continues at the National Palace, which the ruling class of Mexico has occupied since the Aztec Empire. This evening, you can attend the world-renowned Ballet Folklórico de México at the Palace of Fine Arts (performances on Wednesdays and Sundays – if we follow the Ballet, we will have an early dinner at 6 pm). Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

## *Day 4:* MEXICO CITY / TAXCO / PUEBLA

This morning, we depart for the beautiful mining silver town of Taxco, where we will shop for silver items, jewelry, and art. We will spend the day walking around the city, praying, and celebrating Mass at the Church of Santa Prisca. Later this afternoon, we will drive to Puebla or spend our overnight in Taxco and drive to Puebla the following day. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

## *Day 5:* CHOLULA / PUEBLA / CHURCH OF SANTO DOMINGO / CATHEDRAL / SANTA MONICA MUSEUM

This morning, we go to Cholula and visit the Sanctuary of the Virgin of the Remedies on top of an Aztec Pyramid (in case someone cannot climb the hill, they can rest in a restaurant with a view of the Church). Next, we will continue to Puebla. After lunch, we will celebrate Mass at Holy Rosary Chapel, then visit the Church of Santo Domingo, Puebla Cathedral, the Santa Monica Museum of Religious Art, and the St. Francis of Assisi Church, where we will view the uncorrupted body of the Blessed Sebastian de Aparicio. Nearly 1,000 miracles at his intercession have been reported. Later this evening, we will attend an open-air market. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

## *Day 6:* TLAXCALA / SAN MIGUEL DEL MILAGRO / MONASTERY OF SAN FRANCISCO / OCOTLAN

This morning, we will travel to Tlaxcala to visit the Shrine of San Miguel del Milagro. Here, St. Michael the Archangel appeared to Diego Lazaro de San Francisco in 1631 and told him of the miraculous spring. Next, we will celebrate Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of Ocotlan, popularly known as Mexico's Lourdes. Dinner and overnight accommodations will be at your hotel.

## *Day 7:* XOCHIMILCO / COYOACAN

We begin our day by visiting the floating gardens of Xochimilco. We will ride through the canals in a trajinera before continuing to Coyoacán. While in Coyoacán, you will see the Church of El Carmen and the Church of St. John the Baptist. This structure was initially constructed as a Dominican Monastery but eventually changed to a Franciscan Monastery. This stunning architecture has an interior containing seven chapels and an altar piece that dates back to the seventeenth century. Afterward, you will have some free time to walk around and maybe enjoy the famous ice cream of Coyoacán before returning to the Hotel. We will have a folkloric dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight accommodation will be at your hotel.

## *Day 8:* RETURN FLIGHT HOME

This morning, if time permits, we have a farewell Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Please transfer to the airport to catch our return flight home.



**Plaza of the Three Cultures**



**Metropolitan Cathedral**



**Puebla Cathedral**



**Pyramids of the Sun and the Moon**

## Included

- Round-trip airfare
- First-class hotels (price based on double occupancy)
- Land transportation (as per itinerary)
- Breakfast and dinner
- Sightseeing/admissions fees (as per itinerary)
- Daily Masses
- Professional local guides
- Medical Protection Plan

## Not Included

- Trip cancellation insurance (strongly recommended) Nativity Pilgrimage offers a comprehensive policy at an additional cost.
- Passport & visa costs
- Tips for tour guides & drivers
- Personal items/expenses
- Any meals not specified in your itinerary
- Items not specifically mentioned above

## Registration

- A non-refundable, non-transferable deposit of \$300.00 is due at registration, along with your registration form and copy of your passport.
- Names on the registration form and passport MUST match exactly.
- U.S. Passports must be valid for at least six months after your return date.
- We are not responsible for visa procurement.
- Full payment is due 07/09/24 (100 days before your departure)

# TERMS & CONDITIONS

## Your Package Includes

**Air Transportation:** Economy class and round-trip fares are based on the time of the reservation. Rates and times are subject to change without notice. Fares, once issued, are non-refundable, non-transferable, and cannot be used towards future travel.

**Land Transportation:** All land transportation as described in the itinerary will be by Deluxe Motor Coach. Some may be equipped with Wi-Fi service.

**Hotels:** Your hotels will be first-class with double occupancy (2 people per room with a private bath). Neither Nativity Pilgrimage nor the trip coordinator are responsible for providing a roommate.

**Single Room:** There is an additional cost per person as specified on the registration form. Single rooms are limited and will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Meal Plan:** The meal plan offers two (2) meals per day: Breakfast & Dinner.

**Baggage:** Nativity Pilgrimage limits all passengers to one (1) piece of checked luggage and one (1) carry-on. All passengers should check with the airlines carriers for up to date baggage weight and dimensions.

**Airport Fees:** Airport Taxes, portage, fuel surcharges and security fees.

**Medical Protection Plan** is provided during the trip.

## Your Package Does Not Include

**Cancellation Protection Plan:** We highly recommend purchasing travel insurance upon registration.

**Passport Expenses:** Passports or any additional documents that may be required. Passports must be valid 6 months after your return date.

**Personal Items:** Laundry, other beverages (wines, liquors, mineral water, tea, coffee, etc.) and food that are not on the menus of your included meal package, and any additional luggage.

**Non-itinerary fees:** Any sightseeing fees, other services, or personal items that are not specifically mentioned as being included in your itinerary.

**Lunch:** You are responsible for lunch or any other meals not specified in your itinerary.

**Tips for your tour guide & driver:** The recommended amounts of tips per person are \$7.00 – \$9.00 per day for guides, \$5.00 – \$7.00 per day for drivers, \$1.00 – \$2.00 per day for hotels, and \$1.00 – \$2.00 per day for restaurants.

## General Travel Information

**Group Air:** Group air differs from individually purchased airline tickets in that it is subject to the terms and conditions of the airlines. For this reason, we need to receive your registration and full payment by the payment deadline. After that date, registrations may be subject to a different rate, ticketing method, or airline. Additional fees and charges may apply. Group air flights are confirmed 60 - 90 days prior to departure.

**Departure Cities:** If your departure city is not listed on the brochure, indicate which airport you would like to depart from on the registration form. We will provide you with the best possible price and flight schedule in order to connect with the group. Additional fees and charges may apply.

**Land-Only Option:** If you would like to book your own air travel, indicate on your registration form that you want the "Land Only" option. By booking your own air, you may select your seat, airline, and travel schedule, use airline miles/points, provide airline reward program information, and make any special requests directly with the airline. No changes can be made after the final payment deadline. Land-only services begin and end at the hotels unless you are able to meet the group at the airport. Land-only travelers are responsible for their own airport transfers.

## Important Nativity Pilgrimage Policies

The airline selects seat assignments for group air. We do not. Seat upgrades are available for registered travelers, by request. Quoted rates for an upgrade are subject to change until payment is received. Some upgrades are not available until the group tickets are issued.

**Seat Upgrades:** Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives an upgrade request, we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee the acceptance of this request, as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

**Seat Location Requests:** Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives a seat location request, we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee acceptance of this request, as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

**Other Special Requests:** Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives a special request, such as a wheelchair, food, etc., we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee acceptance of this request as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

## Booking Conditions

**Deposit:** A non-refundable deposit of \$300.00 per person is required at the time of booking. No reservation will be processed without a deposit.

**Payment Deadline:** Full payment is due 07/09/24 (100 days before departure). Registrations received after the deadline require an additional \$100 (subject to availability). If payment is not made in full 50 days prior to departure, your payments are non-refundable.

You may use any major credit card to pay your deposit online. There is an additional 3% fee for each credit card transaction. We also accept checks, money orders, Zelle payments, and ACH transactions.

## Late Payment Policy

Customers will receive late fees if they are not paid in full:

100 days - 61 days prior to departure.....\$150

60 days - 30 days prior to departure.....\$300

30 days - day before departure.....Subject to cancellation

Customers are also responsible for any difference in fare due to late payment (subject to availability). Refusal to pay will be considered a cancellation.

## Cancellation/Refund Policy

We hope that nothing will prevent you from taking your pilgrimage with Nativity Pilgrimage. However, should you need to cancel your trip, your cancellation must be in writing via email or letter. It will be effective on the date of receipt. The following cancellation fees will apply:

<u>Days Prior to Departure</u>	<u>Charge</u>
100 + Days	Lose Deposit
99-50 Days	50% of trip cost
49 Days	100% of trip cost

Insurance premiums are non-refundable. We highly recommend purchasing travel insurance to avoid these cancellation fees.

## Protect Your Trip



Follow the link or scan the QR code to view our Travel Protection Plan details.

<https://nativity.trawickinternational.com>

## Responsibility

Nativity Pilgrimage, Inc. and their agents assume no liability or responsibility in regards to travel in any form for any injuries or loss of property, accidents, delays, changes in schedule or itinerary, incidental damages or any irregular circumstances. This would include, but not be limited to, default or omission by any third party providing services or facilities related to and/or included in the tour or any part thereof.

The IATA carriers, steamship firms, and other transportation companies whose services are featured in these tours, are not to be held responsible or accountable for any act, omission, or event during the time the passengers are not on board their respective conveyance. The passage contract in use by these companies, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the companies, the purchaser of these tours and/or passengers, and Nativity Pilgrimage Inc. does not assume any liability or responsibility in connection therewith. They are not responsible for any losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, guarantees, or other causes. All such losses or expenses shall be borne by the passenger as tour rates provide for arrangements only for the time stated. The right is reserved to substitute hotels of similar quality to those specified in the itinerary. Nativity Pilgrimage reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. Refund details vary upon each trip. No refund will be made for any used portion of the tour unless arrangements are made prior to departure from the United States. Prices and itineraries are subject to change without notice if booking conditions are not complied with.

