



## **Tour of England with Emphasis on our Wesleyan Heritage**

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**June 12, Day 1:** You will depart on your international flight to London.

### **June 13, Day 2: Welcome to England**

On arrival at London airport meet with your driver and English-speaking guide and go to the hotel to check in and freshen up before your touring begins.

Upon arrival enjoy a **short panoramic tour of London**. The tour will commence in London's vibrant **West End** enjoy famous sights such as **Buckingham Palace**, **Trafalgar Square**, and **Big Ben**. You'll view **Westminster Abbey** and the **Houses of Parliament** before moving on to the **Old City of London** where we'll see **St Paul's Cathedral**, designed by Sir Christopher Wren. You will pass the famous **Hyde Park** and **Marble Arch** and view the **Tower of London**, ancient London's most historic monument and home to the priceless Crown Jewels.

Visit **Wesley's House & Chapel**. Wesley's Chapel is a thriving Methodist congregation. The site consists of Georgian and Victorian buildings located in a fine Georgian courtyard near the financial district of London. John Wesley's chapel, his house and the Museum of Methodism are all on site. It houses a conference center with meeting rooms available for hire. Nearby, you will visit **Bunhill Fields**, the site of graves of Susanna Wesley, John Bunyan, Daniel Defoe, Isaac Watts and others.

Return to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

### **June 14, Day 3: Sightseeing London**

Today spend a full day of sightseeing in London.

This morning after breakfast you will visit **St. Paul's Cathedral**. For more than one thousand four hundred years, a cathedral dedicated to St Paul has stood at the highest point in the city. Frequently at the center of national events, traditions have been observed here and radical new ideas have found expression under the iconic dome. In many cases these events have left some physical record as well as echoes in the intangible memory of the building. The present Cathedral, the masterpiece of Britain's most famous architect Sir Christopher Wren, is at least the fourth to have stood on the site. It was built between 1675 and 1710, after its predecessor was destroyed in the Great Fire of London, and services began in 1697. This was the first cathedral to be built after the English Reformation in the sixteenth-century, when Henry VIII removed the Church of England from the jurisdiction of the Pope and the Crown took control of the life of the church. The three-hundred-year-old building is therefore a relative newcomer to a site which has witnessed Christian Worship for over one thousand four hundred years.

Visit **Westminster Abbey**. Westminster Abbey is an architectural masterpiece which has been the setting for every Coronation since 1066 and contains the tombs of many Kings and Queens. Then our final visit of the day will be at the **Tower of London**, ancient London's most historic monument and home to the priceless Crown Jewels. Built in the eleventh century by King Edward the Confessor, the abbey now houses the tombs of many royals from the subsequent centuries. The Wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton took place here on 29th April 2012.

**OPTIONAL:** Enjoy a **show in London**

*\*A ticket can be added at a supplement - details to be announced closer to departure.*

Overnight and dinner at your hotel.

### **June 15, Day 4: London to Bristol**

This morning after breakfast, depart London and journey to Bristol. Enroute visit **Stonehenge**, the Neolithic stone circle of Stonehenge in the Wiltshire countryside is one of the most famous wonders of the world. Dating back to approximately 3000 BC, the circle of huge upright and horizontal rectangular stones continues to fascinate academics, spiritualists and visitors. How and why did hundreds of people transport five ton stones from all over the South of England and Wales to create a monument that has no obvious function? A multitude of theories regarding the origins and purpose of Stonehenge abound - some serious and some a little hard to believe but all have their supporters. Stonehenge could have been an elite burial mound, druid temple or ancient observatory and may have been put there by ordinary people, aliens or by Merlin the mythical wizard. This fascinating stone circle can be toured with audio guides and the modern visitor center includes over 250 artefacts, reconstructions of Neolithic houses, and a 360-degree audio-visual presentation that all help towards understanding the structure.

Continue to Bath and visit the **Roman Baths**. The Roman Baths of the historical city of Bath are some of the best-preserved Roman ruins in the world and it is even possible to wander around this vast leisure complex just as the Romans did over 2000 years ago. Built in AD70 over hot springs the Great Bath still receives over one million liters of hot water daily from the 12,000 year old Kings Spring below. An interactive museum, costumed characters and award-winning audio guides narrated by witty travel writer Bill Bryson are also available to bring the history of the baths to life. There's an opportunity to taste the spa water - a healthy drop containing 42 minerals and purported healing power if not a pleasant taste - or alternatively there is a cafe and grand restaurant in the old pump house.

Check in to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

### **June 16, Day 5: Bristol**

This morning after breakfast you will visit **John Wesley's Chapel (the New Room)**

The New Room in Bristol is the **oldest Methodist Chapel in the world** (originally built in 1739). It was built and used by John Wesley and the early Methodists as a meeting and preaching place and was the center for helping and educating the needy members of the community. The chapel itself is on the ground floor, upstairs there are the Preachers' Rooms. There is also a museum which contains a unique collection of papers and artefacts and tells the story of John and Charles Wesley and their life and work in Bristol.

Also visit **Charles Wesley's House**

Visit **Hanham Mount**. Hanham Mount is a historic site which is marked with a paved cross and symbolic illumination. A monument (bronze plaque) commemorates that this was where George Whitefield and John Wesley preached to the local mining community from 1739 which makes it one of their earliest open-air preaching places.

Return to Bristol for dinner and overnight.

### **June 17, Day 6: York**

After breakfast depart Bristol for York. Enroute enjoy a **shopping stop at the World of Wedgwood**.

Upon arrival, enjoy a **walking tour of York**. York has been an incredibly important city in the North of England for over 2000 years. The modern city of York still showcases medieval walls, Viking findings and Roman ruins in its compact city center. The delightfully cramped streets around **The Shambles** give you an idea of what life was like in medieval times and on your tour you will learn all about the city's long and fascinating history. There are many charming modern touches too with a huge selection of quaint cafés, boutique shops and traditional pubs throughout the city.

Continue to your hotel in York and check in and then enjoy dinner and overnight.

### **June 18, Day 7: Stratford-upon Avon via Epworth**

After breakfast you will depart York on your way to Epworth where you will visit the **Old Rectory**

A visit to the Old Rectory built in Queen Anne style in 1709, will transport you back to life in the early 18th century and introduce you to the remarkable family who lived there. It is the home of Samuel Wesley and his wife Susanna who brought up their sons, John and Charles Wesley, who went on to develop the Methodist movement, with their seven sisters and elder brother Samuel. See how the Wesley family lived and learn about the history of 18th century England and the influence the Wesley's had on it.

Visit the **Memorial Church in Epworth**. Wesley Memorial Methodist Church is an inspiring reminder of the achievements of John and Charles Wesley. See the unique chancel window where three colourful panels illustrate the story of Christ and his disciples. Above the panels you can find a portrait of John and his hymn-

writing brother Charles, both facing towards their childhood home, the Old Rectory. Encircling the portrait you can read John's famous words: "the best of all is God is with us".

Finally visit **Bishop Asbury Cottage**. This small, mid-18th century cottage, presented with period furnishings, is the boyhood home of Francis Asbury. Asbury became the founding father of Methodism in America and was ordained as its first bishop. Check into your hotel for dinner and overnight.

### **June 19, Day 8: Stratford-upon-Avon**

This morning visit **Shakespeare's Birthplace**. Shakespeare's Birthplace has been welcoming visitors for over 250 years. This is the house where William Shakespeare was born, grew up and played. He ate meals in the hall and he slept and dreamt in these rooms. Shakespeare also spent the first five years of married life in this house with his new wife, Anne Hathaway. For millions of Shakespeare enthusiasts worldwide, this house is a shrine. Here you will discover the world that shaped the man and find out what other famous writers thought when they visited here. Follow in the footsteps of not only Shakespeare, but other well-known visitors such as Charles Dickens, John Keats, Walter Scott and Thomas Hardy.

Then visit **Ann Hathaway's Cottage**. Discover where the young William Shakespeare courted his future bride Anne Hathaway at her picturesque family home. Enjoy beautiful gardens in Stratford upon Avon. Anne Hathaway's Cottage is a thatched farmhouse with stunning grounds and gardens, which overflow with fragrant blooms and traditional shrubs. The cottage is in Shottery, a hamlet within the parish of Stratford-upon-Avon. It is just over one mile from the town center and can be accessed via a pleasant, well sign-posted footpath. See for yourself the many original items of family furniture, including the Hathaway Bed, dating from Anne's time and take in the beauty and tranquillity of the charming cottage gardens.

Tonight, enjoy an evening performance at the Royal Shakespeare Company Theatre.

***\*Details for performances at the Royal Shakespeare Company Theatre in Stratford-upon-Avon are not available at this time, but play and price will be announced closer to departure.***

Return to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

### **June 20, Day 9: Oxford**

After breakfast, you will visit the **Holy Trinity Church**. Holy Trinity Church is one of England's most beautiful parish churches. It is the church where William Shakespeare was baptised, where he worshipped and where he is buried. Then leave Stratford to Oxford.

Enjoy a **walking tour of Christchurch College**

Christ Church is one of the largest colleges in the University of Oxford and the Cathedral Church for the Diocese of Oxford. Christ Church has a fascinating history and many distinguished people have studied here including John Wesley, John Locke, Robert Hooke, Robert Peel, William Gladstone, W.H. Auden, David Dimbleby, Rowan Williams, Richard Curtis and Howard Goodall.

Spend the balance of the day at leisure before going to check into your hotel for dinner and overnight.

### **June 21, Day 10: Farewell**

This morning after breakfast, enjoy a **CS Lewis & JRR Tolkien walking tour of Oxford**

On this tour you will travel to Narnia, journey through Middle Earth and see what it is like to go down the Rabbit Hole! Many of these works have of course been adapted for the screen. In 2018 Sky TV launched the series 'Discovery of Witches' written by Deborah Harkness, with Oxford as a backdrop and 2019 will see the launch of the movie 'Tolkien'. In 2020 they have been filming for a new movie about CS Lewis 'The Most Reluctant Convert'.

Visit **The Kilns**. The Kilns house is in Headington on the outskirts of Oxford and was C.S. Lewis's home from 1930 until his death – an event that went almost unnoticed as it happened on the same day that John F. Kennedy was assassinated. Both Kennedy and Lewis were known as 'Jack' to friends and family and had Irish backgrounds but the Ulster Protestant Lewis and the glamorous young American president, with his Southern Irish Catholic origins, had little else in common. Depart Oxford and journey to London where you will enjoy a farewell dinner at your hotel.

### **June 22, Day 11: Farewell**

After you have enjoyed a final breakfast, you will be transferred to London airport for your return flight home.

# ENGLAND



## Wesley Heritage Tour

### Your Journey Includes:

Roundtrip Airfare  
Tourist and Superior First Class Hotels  
Deluxe Motorcoaches  
Daily Continental Breakfast and  
Full Course Dinner  
Guided Tours

**Departure From:**  
Houston, June 12, 2022  
**\$4839\***

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**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:** Deposit of \$750 due with registration. Within 90 days of the departure date, space may be limited and/or a supplement in airfare may apply. Final payment is due March 4, 2022.

**TOUR DOCUMENTS:** The name on your airline ticket **must exactly match** your name as it appears on your passport. You must forward a copy of the photo/informational page of your passport within two weeks of enrollment on the tour. If applying for a new or renewed passport, send the copy as soon as you receive your new passport.

**SINGLE ROOMS:** Price is based on double occupancy. While Gomega Travel will try to match room mates, we cannot guarantee that a roommate will be available. If not, the payment of a single supplement will be required. When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. Single room supplement for this tour is \$1200.

**ROOMMATES:** You will be charged for a single room if you do not have a roommate and/or Gomega Travel cannot match you with one.

**MEALS:** Buffet breakfast and set menu dinner daily. All other meals are "on your own".

**LUGGAGE:** Limit of one suitcase and one carry-on per person, not to exceed 50 pounds or 62 inches total.

**TRANSFERS:** Transport between airport, hotel and piers is included in the standard program. However, those who request changes from standard program are responsible for their own transfers.

**CHANGES FROM STANDARD PROGRAM:** Any adjustment in standardized air or land itinerary will carry a \$150 fee (for each change) in addition to any additional expense required. To ensure efficient handling of these requests, Gomega Travel will require that a tour deposit be received before a deviation request can be processed. Transfers to/from airports, etc. are not included if you do not arrive and depart with the group.

**AIRLINE TICKETS:** Printed 45-60 days prior to departure, tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation to/from your European destination will be jet economy class aboard IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amenable tickets for groups of 10 or more passengers flying together for entire itinerary.

**FLIGHT TIMES:** Subject to change by airlines without advance notice. Gomega Travel is not responsible for such changes or delays and does not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays.

**ITINERARY LENGTH:** Because airlines often change flight schedules after brochures are printed, Gomega Travel reserves the right to shorten or lengthen the itinerary accordingly and, whenever possible, you will be notified in writing. If changes necessitate extra overnights, there will be additional charges.

**CANCELLATION FEES:** From the day of registration to 120 days prior to departure the \$250 non-refundable registration fee is the only charge. Thereafter, the following charges apply: 119-90 days: \$750; 89-60 days: 50% of total cost; 59-45 days: 75% of total cost; 44 days to day of departure: 100% of total cost. All refund claims must be received in writing.

**INSURANCE:** Gomega Travel strongly recommends cancellation and trip insurance to cover the above fees. The cost for insurance for this tour based on double occupancy is \$464 per person, \$644 for single occupancy (cash discount price). This amount covers the comprehensive insurance package including the pre-departure cancellation and the post-departure trip interruption benefits. Insurance is currently required to travel to England.

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