



*Each pilgrim must sign a copy of this document and return to Lightline NA.*

## RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

**Read this Agreement carefully as it is a legally binding contract. Both parents/legal guardian must sign for minors under 18 years of age.**

In consideration for my acceptance as a participant in the trip arranged for me by Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC ("Lightline Pilgrimages," "we," or "us"), and the services to be provided to me by Lightline Pilgrimages, I acknowledge and agree as follows:

**Responsibility:** I understand that Lightline Pilgrimages NA LLC uses reasonable care in the selection of its suppliers, who to its knowledge are reputable and competent based on information that is reasonably available to it. I understand that Lightline Pilgrimages NA LLC acts only as an intermediary for its suppliers and, as such, assumes no responsibility and cannot be held liable for any negligent or willful act or omission of any supplier, or of any other person or entity. A supplier's services are subject to the supplier's own terms and conditions and its local laws, regulations and treaties where applicable.

**Assumption of Risk:** I am voluntarily participating in this trip with the knowledge of the numerous risks and dangers involved, which include but are not limited to: accommodations, roads, trails, vehicles, boats or aircraft, or other means of conveyance which may not be maintained or operated to standards common in my country; dangers and risks inherent in the activities set forth in my itinerary; dangers and risks inherent in walking and hiking in outdoor settings (e.g., cultural sites, dirt and rocky paths and rural roads), including falling or tripping on uneven surfaces or debris; food-borne illnesses from eating local or other foods; emotional trauma; personal injury; disfigurement; temporary or permanent disability (including paralysis); death; acts of God and force majeure; the hazards of traveling in unsafe or politically unstable areas or under unsafe conditions; road blocks; civil disturbances, social or labor unrest, terrorist activities, and war; physical exertion for which I am not prepared; environmental conditions/hazards (e.g., slippery roads due to rain, mudslides); transportation failures or the failure of any transportation mechanism to arrive or depart timely or safely, whether by bus, van, car, bike, boat, horseback or other animal, by foot, or by any other conveyance; equipment failures or deficiencies; contact with wildlife, marine life, pests and insects, including bites and stings; accident or illness in remote or rural places without access to medical facilities, transportation, or means of evacuation and assistance; the adequacy of medical attention; medical or dietary restrictions; mechanical or construction failures or difficulties; diseases, epidemics or the threat thereof; stolen, lost or misplaced luggage or property; theft or break-ins into vehicles, lodging or elsewhere; local laws; climactic conditions; abnormal conditions or developments; or any other actions, omissions, or conditions outside of our control that are not specified in this agreement.

**I expressly agree to be responsible for my own welfare and fully assume all of the above risks, as well as all other risks set forth in this agreement, both known and unknown, voluntarily and knowingly,** to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**Waiver of Liability, Release, Indemnification, and Covenant Not to Sue:** To the fullest extent permitted by law, I on behalf of myself, my heirs, legal and personal representatives, next of kin, including my spouse, successors and assigns (collectively, "Releasers") expressly **RELEASE,**

**WAIVE, FOREVER DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE** Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC, its owners, officers, employees, managers, shareholders, affiliates, agents, representatives, officers, directors, volunteers, successors and assigns (collectively, "Releasees"), from and against any and all liability, claims, causes of action, demands, costs, damages, losses or suits of any and every kind which I now have or may later have against Releasees arising out of, relating to, or in connection with the travel services arranged through or provided by Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC, whether arising from Releasees' negligence or otherwise. I further agree that if any such cause of action is brought against Releasee(s) and I am found responsible for injury or damages to any person, including myself, as a consequence of my own actions or inactions, I shall fully **DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS** Releasee(s) in that cause of action.

**I AGREE THAT THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL SERVE AS A COMPLETE RELEASE AND EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK** for myself, all members of my family and all minors traveling with me, my and their heirs, next of kin, successors, assigns, and legal and personal representatives. It is my intention to fully assume all risks associated with this trip and to release Lightline Pilgrimages NA LLC from any and all liability to the maximum extent permitted by law.

**APPLICABLE LAW, CHOICE OF FORUM AND SEVERABILITY:** This agreement will be interpreted according to the laws of the State of Illinois, USA. Jurisdiction over any dispute arising out of, in connection with, or relating to this agreement and/or the transactions and relationships among the parties contemplated by this agreement shall be filed exclusively in state, local or federal courts in Chicago, Illinois. You agree to personal jurisdiction in the specified forum.

**KNOWING AND VOLUNTARY EXECUTION:** By signing this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT,

I certify that I have read this agreement, fully understand all of its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and voluntarily agree to be bound by its terms. My signature applies to all pages of this agreement. These representations are true whether I am signing on my own behalf or on behalf a minor.

I understand that in calculating the cost of the trip, Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC has relied on my consent to these terms and their enforceability. Without this agreement, the trip cost would have been higher or, alternatively, Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC would not be able to offer these services.

I agree that execution of a facsimile counterpart or electronic transmission of this agreement shall be deemed execution of the original agreement. I agree that facsimile or electronic transmission of an executed copy of this agreement shall constitute acceptance of this agreement.

<b>Signature of Participant:</b>	
<b>Printed name:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
<b>Signature of Participant:</b>	
<b>Printed name:</b>	<b>Date:</b>

**\*STOP! Do not mail this until you have done the following:**

1. Is the **Booking Form** complete with all the details requested?
2. Has **EACH** pilgrim signed the **Acceptance of the Waiver** above? (page 2)
3. Has **EACH** pilgrim signed the **Acceptance of Terms and Conditions** on page 8?

**\*PLEASE CONTINUE onto pages 5-8 to read and sign the Acceptance of Terms and Conditions.**