# **Following in Celtic Footsteps** A Pilgrimage to Northern Britain Led by the Very Rev Dominic Barrington and the Very Rev Paul Kennington

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# LIGHTLINE PILGRIMAGES

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In 563, an Irish Christian called Columba founded a monastery on the island of Iona, and lit a spark that flamed into one of the brightest and most significant periods of Christian history in Britain – that of the Celtic church. From Iona, the Celtic mission spread across Scotland and northern England, and in 635 another island monastery was founded by Aidan at Lindisfarne. Both of these monasteries played a major part in the re-evangelization of northern Britain, and have become revered places of pilgrimage, receiving countless visitors year by year, who seek to honor the legacy of these missionary saints.

We are delighted to invite you to join us in a pilgrimage which will explore the history and geography of the Celtic mission in Britain. Starting on Iona, we will travel through Scotland to Lindisfarne, and south to the cathedral city of Durham. As we journey we will discover the stories of Columba and Aidan, Cuthbert, Wilfrid, Hild and Bede, and visit some of the places where they lived and worked. We will learn what made the Celtic approach to Christianity both so distinctive and so popular, and we will learn of its ending at the Synod of Whitby in 664, when it was decided that the whole country should follow the more universal Roman practices of the Christian faith.

During our time together, we will enjoy times of silence, times of prayer and worship, and times of laughter, sight-seeing, eating and drinking, and forging new friendships. We hope you can join us.

Dominic and Paul

## PLEASE BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

Accommodation on Iona is strictly limited, and the hotel at which we will stay is not large. Places on this pilgrimage are available on a 'first come, first served' basis, and you are encouraged to mail your booking form and deposit no later than 22nd December 2019 and your final payment is due before the 25th April 2020.

## **OUR ITINERARY**

## Day 1, Wednesday 15th July

We meet in the afternoon at Chicago's O'Hare airport for our flight to London. Dinner and breakfast will be served on board.

## Day 2, Thursday 16th July

Landing in London in the early morning, we clear UK immigration and connect onwards for our flight to Glasgow. On landing, we will drive to the city of Oban on the west coast of mainland Scotland, and after a short break for lunch (not included in the tour price), we catch the ferry to the isle of Mull, continue across the island, and finally come to the passenger ferry that will take us on to Iona. We hope to arrive in time to unpack and freshen up before dinner.



## Day 3 - 5, Friday 17th - Sunday 19th July

We will enjoy three quiet days of retreat, prayer and exploration as we discover something of the history and beauty of this very special island that saw the beginning of the Celtic mission in Britain so many centuries ago. Our time will include worship, silence and the chance to take part in an walking pilgrimage around the island.

## lona

The prestige of Iona began in AD 563 when the Celtic bishop Columba and his twelve companions sailed from Ireland to found a monastery here and used it as a base from which to convert the Picts to Christianity. The monastery was attacked and burned six times by Vikings and was eventually abandoned as the monks withdrew to the safety of monasteries such as Kells in Ireland.

lona was occupied again in 1203 as a Benedictine monastery, but it fell into ruin after the dissolution of the monasteries by Henry VIII in the 1530s .

The oldest surviving building is St Oran's chapel (c. 1080), and the ornately carved St Martin's Cross (10th century) stands outside the abbey.

Today lona is a sacred place visited by thousands of pilgrims every year.



### Day 6, Monday 20th July

We leave Iona after breakfast, and after our two ferry journeys, we will head to Scotland's capital city, Edinburgh, where we will spend two nights. Our hotel is located in the heart of downtown Edinburgh, a very short walk from the famous Princes Street, so we will enjoy an excellent location for our time here.



## Day 7, Tuesday 21st July

This morning we will explore the royal Palace of Holyrood House, the official residence of the British monarch in Scotland. We will spend two hours here discovering its history and enjoying some of its treasures, after which the rest of the day will be free for people to explore Edinburgh as they wish.

### Day 8, Wednesday 22nd July

This morning we will visit St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral and learn something of its ministry in downtown Edinburgh, before heading onwards to continue our exploration of the history of the Celtic church, by visiting the ruins of Melrose Abbey in the Scottish Borders. From here we continue towards the east coast, to spend one night at our hotel just outside Berwick.



## Day 9, Thursday 23rd July

After breakfast we will make our way to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, where we will spend the morning and early afternoon, leaving at around 3pm to make our way south to the magnificent cathedral city of Durham, which will be our home for the final four nights of our pilgrimage.





### Day 10, Friday 24th July

Today we will learn of the end of the Celtic era of Christianity in Britain, as we visit Whitby, and learn of the Synod which took place there in 664. We will visit the ruins of the medieval abbey, set dramatically on cliffs overlooking the town, and also learn something of the ministry of the church in Whitby today. After the opportunity to have a classic British fish-and-chip lunch, we will visit the stunning medieval abbey ruins at Rievaulx, before returning to Durham in time for dinner.



### Day 11, Saturday 25th July

This morning we will explore Durham Cathedral, with a guided tour of this extraordinary building which dominates the city. Built as the final resting place of St Cuthbert, the most beloved of the Northumbrian saints, we will celebrate a final pilgrim Eucharist here. Late morning we will drive west to the market town of Hexham, to enjoy some time in its abbey church (now the working Episcopal parish for the town), and learn of the history of St Wilfrid.



## Day 12, Sunday 26th July

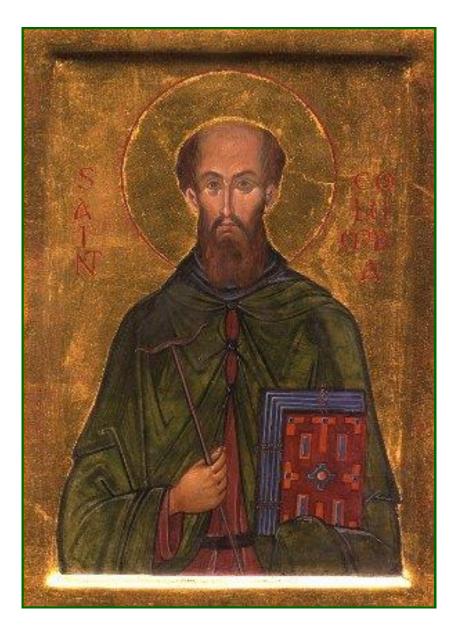
This morning we will join the local community at worship in Durham Cathedral. The rest of the day will be free, for last-minute shopping, wandering around Durham's beautiful river banks, and attending Choral Evensong for those who wish. In the evening we will have a farewell dinner to mark the end of our pilgrimage

## Day 13, Monday 27th July

After breakfast we drive the short distance to Newcastle Airport for our flight to London, where we connect onwards for our international flight back to the USA, arriving in the early evening.

*Please note this complex touring programme may be subject to minor local amendments* 

#### **INCLUSIVE TOUR COST - \$4775** All Lightline Pilgrimages are carefully costed to include all necessary items to complete the pilgrimage at the advertised price - absolutely no hidden costs Scheduled flights from Chicago O'Hare Int'l on British Airways. Wed Jul 15 BA294 Chicago O'Hare/London Heathrow 5:05pm 6:50am (16 Jul) Thu Jul 16 BA1474 London Heathrow/Glasgow 8:20pm 9:45am Mon Jul 27 BA1327 Newcastle/London Heathrow 11:50am 1:10pm Mon Jul 27 BA297 London Heathrow/Chicago O'Hare 4:50pm 6:45pm All the above times are local and are subject to change We will be delighted to arrange flights from other US cities in conjunction with American Airlines and British Airways. Please indicate your desired departure airport on the booking form. All airport departure & passenger taxes (US & UK). $\checkmark$ En Suite accommodation at the following select hotels: Iona - The Argyll Hotel **Durham** - The Marriott Royal County Edinburgh- Kimpton Charlotte Square **Berwick** - The Marshall Meadows $\checkmark$ Board basis - breakfast throughout with dinner on days 2,3,4, 5,8 and 12. All entrance fees and local government taxes. All touring in modern air-conditioned tourist coaches. THE ONLY ITEMS NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE Single Room supplement (very limited) \$805, tips US\$165, lunches & dinners, Beverages, Laundry and any items of a personal nature.





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## **BOOKING FORM**

To make a booking please complete in BLOCK CAPITALS and sign this Booking Form. Each pilgrim must sign the Terms and Conditions Form and the Waiver Form, and return all documents to:

## *Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC* 1829 North Cleveland Ave, Unit B, Chicago, IL 60614-8015

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## **LEAD PASSENGER**

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Preferred Departure Airport (supplement will apply):										

## **SECOND PASSENGER**

Passport expiry date mm/dd/yyyy	

## LEAD PASSENGER DETAILS (All correspondence is sent to lead passenger) Address:

	Zip Code:				
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Email:					

ACCO	OMMODATION (please tick (✓) appropriate box(s)	SPECIAL DIETS ETC
	Twin/Double Bed Room	
	Shared Twin Room	
	Single Room (incurs a supplementary cost)	
YOU	R PAYMENT:	REMARKS:
Deposit per person @ US\$ 500 =   Total enclosed =		

By signing and submitting this booking form and non-refundable deposit you confirm that you and all of the travelers named on the booking form understand and are bound by Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC's terms and conditions, waiver of liability and assumption of risk and indemnity agreement ("waiver of liability"), and custom itineraries and invoices pertaining to the trip (collectively, "booking documents"). You all understand that each traveler must submit a signed waiver of liability by the date specified on the confirmation invoice to participate on the trip. We recommend that you submit the documents for yourself and each traveler at the time of booking by mail or email at the address below. You agree that you and all of the travelers named above have read and are bound by the booking documents whether or not you have signed them. You certify that you are not aware of any circumstances which are likely to lead to cancellation or the curtailment of the pilgrimage by any person. You confirm that you would like all correspondence sent to your address.

Signature \_

Date:

## Checklist to secure your booking:

- a. This form has all sections completed IN BLOCK CAPITALS and has been signed.
- b. Each pilgrim has signed and dated the Waiver Form.
- c. Each pilgrim has signed and dated the Terms & Conditions.
- d. Return all documents and your deposit check to:

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If you wish to pay by card indicate this above under REMARKS and return all the documents to our office. We will send you an online form for payment.

## **CHECK PAYMENTS**

Pease make checks out to:

"LIGHTLINE PILGRIMAGES NA, LLC,"

## **CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS**



Please note credit card payments carry a 3.75% charge

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### TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR YOUR LIGHTLINE PILGRIMAGES TRIP Read this agreement thoroughly and carefully before booking a trip with us. It is a legally binding contract which all passengers must sign.

The terms and conditions set forth in this agreement ("Terms and Conditions" or "agreement") constitute the entire understanding and agreement between you the trip participant ("Participant") and Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC ("Lightline Pilgrimages," "we," or "us") with respect to any and all bookings, tours or transactions made with Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC. By signing this agreement, you accept all of the terms in this agreement and direct us to perform services on your behalf. All trips that we offer are subject to these terms and conditions, our waiver of liability and assumption of risk and indemnity agreement, and the custom itineraries and invoices pertaining to the trip.

#### **BOOKING AND PAYMENT**

When you make your booking, you must sign this agreement on behalf of yourself and all persons named in your booking, submit a completed booking form, and pay a **non-refundable deposit of \$500 per person**. If a booking is made within 12 weeks of departure, the full amount of the tour must be sent along with the completed booking form and signed Terms and Conditions. **The balance of the amount is payable by the deadline in your custom invoice.** A booking is not accepted until we provide written confirmation. The booking is accepted on the date shown on the written confirmation. If a booking is not accepted, we will notify you in writing and refund the deposit. **Medical insurance is not included in the trip price but is a condition of booking**.

#### **ROOM SHARING ARRANGEMENTS**

All prices are quoted on the basis of two persons to a room. Single room accommodation is limited and may not always be available. If you are traveling alone but wish to share, notify us at booking and we shall endeavor to find a suitable traveling companion. If we are unable to find someone, we will allocate you a single room and charge you only half the applicable single room supplement stated in the brochure. In this instance, a separate invoice will be issued 14 days before departure with the single room supplement fee.

#### RESPONSIBILITY

Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC takes reasonable care in selecting competent, reliable and qualified suppliers based on information that is reasonably available to us. That said, Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC acts only as an intermediary for the various independent suppliers that provide lodging, meals, transportation, sightseeing, activities or other goods and services connected with your tour ("Supplier" or "Suppliers"). You acknowledge that you are aware and clearly understand that these Suppliers are independent contractors, are not managed by Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC, and are not agents or employees of Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC. A Supplier's services are subject to the Supplier's own terms and conditions and any applicable local laws, regulations and treaties of the relevant country. Any flight scheduled or otherwise forming part of the arrangements will be subject to the Conditions of Carriage of that airline. Some of these will limit or even exclude liability and conditions are the subject of international agreements between countries. Lightline Pilgrimages will not provide any refund for a Supplier's delay, cancellation, overbooking, or strike.

#### TRIP MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Unless specified otherwise, the minimum number of persons required for most tours to take place is 15 persons. If this is not achieved, we reserve the right to continue to operate (with Driver/Guide), or to cancel the tour no later than 4 weeks prior to departure. If we cancel under this paragraph, all monies paid to us for the tour will be refunded.

#### CANCELLATION POLICY

To cancel your booking, you must submit your request to us in writing by email at info@lightlinena.com with "Cancellation" in the subject line or postal mail at Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC, 1829 North Cleveland Ave, Unit B, Chicago, IL 60614-8015 USA. Cancellation fees will be applied per person according to the following schedule, based on the date we receive your written notification, not when you send it or notify us by phone:

PERIOD	CANCELLATION FEE (% of Total Trip Cost)
Over 90 days before departure	Deposit Only
90-45 days before departure	75%
Within 45 days of departure	100%

NOTE: If the reason for cancellation is covered under the terms of your insurance policy, consult with your insurance provider to see if you can reclaim these cancellation charges, less excesses and insurance premiums.

No refunds will be provided for any unused portion of a tour once the tour begins, including if you leave a tour for any reason, miss the tour's departure date, or have to be removed from a tour. There are no exceptions to this cancellation policy, including for reasons related to weather, terrorism, civil strife, personal, family or medical emergencies or any other circumstances beyond our control. For this reason, you strongly recommend that all Participants purchase trip cancellation and interruption insurance prior to travel.

#### CHANGES WE MAKE AND FLEXIBILITY

We plan our trips many months and sometimes years in advance. Sometimes, although not often, we have to change or cancel portions of the itinerary, lodging and other details of a trip. As such, we cannot guarantee that every part of the itinerary advertised in the brochure will be followed or that the duration of each visit along the route will be as advised. While we strive to operate all tours as advertised, we reserve the right to modify or cancel any flight, schedule, accommodation or other details of your trip at any time and without notice except as provided in this section. Most changes are minor, but where they are significant, we will inform you of an existing changes when you book, or if you have already booked, prior to your departure provided that we have sufficient time to do so. You then have the following choices:

- a. Accept the changed arrangements as notified to you,
- b. Purchase another available tour from us, or
- c. Cancel your tour. If in these particular circumstances you cancel, all monies paid to us will be refund to you less any non-refundable deposits.

In the event that the significant change is our cancellation of the tour, we will return to you all money that you have paid us or will offer you an alternative available tour to purchase of comparable standard.

#### CHANGE REQUESTS THAT YOU MAKE

To change your booking, you must submit your request to us in writing by email at info@lightlinena.com with "Change Request" in the subject line or postal mail at Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC, 1829 North Cleveland Ave, Unit B, Chicago, IL 60614-8015 USA. If you request to change your tour dates or alter your itinerary after we confirm your booking, we will do our best to accommodate your request. If we are able to make such changes, a change fee will be imposed. The type and scope of change dictates the amount of the change fee. Our outside suppliers, including hotels, often impose additional fees or penalties for changes and cancellations. These are included in the change fee and can be substantial.

We will forward any alteration that you request after your tour has commenced to our independent suppliers. We will Work with our suppliers to try and accommodate reasonable requests but cannot guarantee that any changes will be possible after your tour has commenced. Changes while a tour is in progress can cause severe complications and are often not possible.

In the event you request a change, you will be liable for any cancellation charges and change fees that may be levied for the booking of revised arrangements and for all costs associated with the arrangements themselves.

#### FORCE MAJEURE

Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC will not be deemed in breach of this agreement or otherwise liable to you, by reason of delay in performance or nonperformance of any of its obligations under this agreement to the extent that any such delay or nonperformance is due to any Force Majeure. "Force Majeure" means any circumstances beyond our reasonable control, including without limitation acts of God, terrorist activities, insurrection, explosion, flood, tempest, forceful wind, fire or accident, war or threat of war declared or undeclared, sabotage, civil disturbance, labor strikes, requisition, sickness, quarantine, government intervention, weather conditions, and unforeseen circumstances. If we and any of our suppliers are affected by Force Majeure, we and our suppliers shall be entitled to, and may in our sole discretion, vary or cancel any itinerary or arrangement in relation to the tour. Regarding civil unrest, once we have investigated the prevailing situation, as we deem fit, it shall remain in our sole and absolute discretion whether to proceed with the tour.

#### **TRIP PRICE ADJUSTMENTS**

The prices quoted for these tours are based on known costs and exchange rates when tours are planned. We reserve the right to levy a surcharge in the event of any material variation in such costs and rates such as transportation costs and fuel; dues, taxes or fees; or exchange rates applied to particular purchases. Even in such cases, we will absorb an amount equivalent to 2% of the tour price (excluding insurance premiums and any amendment charges). Only amounts in excess of this 2% will be surcharged. If this means paying more than 10% of the tour price, you will be entitled to cancel the tour with a full refund of all monies paid. Should you decide to cancel because of this, you must do so within 14 days from the issue date printed on the invoice that contains the surcharge, otherwise your cancellation will be subject to our cancellation policy and fees.

Since we have to absorb increased costs equivalent to 2% of the tour price, there will be no reduction in the price of the tour in the event of a favorable variation in costs or exchange rates. Prices will not be increased within 14 days of departure.

#### LOST/DAMAGED LUGGAGE

You are responsible for your baggage and personal effects throughout the tour. It is important that you keep track of your belongings while traveling just as you would at home. All costs incurred for lost, misplaced, damaged or delayed baggage are at the owner's expense. Any valuable items should be insured accordingly.

#### NO REFUNDS FOR PERSONAL EXPENSES

You will not be reimbursed for any personal expenses such as airfare, hotel or other travel expenses due to changes in itineraries or tour cancellations.

#### **COMPLAINT PROCEDURE**

If you have a complaint during your tour, you must promptly report it to either your tour leader or our local representative, so that action can be taken to remedy the problem. Failure to do so while you are on the tour will extinguish or reduce your ability to claim any compensation from Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC, in the event that prompt reporting would have allowed us to fully or partially resolve the complaint at that time. Further, if you attempt to address the issue on your own without using this notice procedure, you assume responsibility for any added costs you may incur and forfeit and potential refunds. If you are not satisfied after using this notice procedure, you must submit your complaint in writing to us within 30 days of the tour's end date. Any complaints received after this date will not be accepted.

#### **PASSPORTS AND VISAS**

You are responsible for ensuring that all necessary travel documents are valid and effective and in your possession for the entire tour. Passports are required for all citizens traveling abroad and should be valid for at least **seven (7) months** after your date of return. It is important that the first name and surname on the air ticket matches those on the passport, otherwise the passenger may not be able to travel and any applicable travel insurance may be ineffective. We suggest you apply for or renew a passport early. Other required documents may include visas, permits, and vaccination certificates. You assume complete and full responsibility for checking and verifying any and all passport, visa, vaccination, or other entry requirements. You are also solely responsible for any adverse consequences resulting from incomplete or defective documentation.

Holders of passports other than U.S., British or Irish should contact Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC for advice on whether or not a Visa is required. Other nationals should ensure they comply with formalities.

For information concerning possible dangers at an international destination, contact the government office in your country that is responsible for issuing travel advisories. In the U.S., contact the Travel Advisory Section of the U.S. State Department, 1-888-407-4747, http://www.travel.state.gov/. U.S. citizens may register for the U.S. government's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program, a free service, at https://step.state.gov/step/.

While we may provide information or advice on matters such as visas, vaccinations, climate, clothing, baggage, and special equipment in good faith as a courtesy to you, we are not responsible for any errors or omissions as to the information provided.

#### **TRAVEL INSURANCE/PROTECTION**

The tour price does not include travel insurance. All Participants are required to have medical insurance to cover any medical problems that might rise abroad, including serious illness and repatriation costs in the event of death. We strongly recommend that you purchase comprehensive travel insurance, covering trip interruption and cancellation, baggage and other expenses which might arise as a result of loss, damage, injury, delay or inconvenience occurring to you.

#### PRE-DEPARTURE DOCUMENTATION

It is important that you carefully read all trip-related documents that you receive from us as soon as you receive them. It is your responsibility to contact us if any information is incorrect. We cannot accept any liability if you do not notify us of any inaccuracies within seven (7) days of receipt. All Participants must sign this agreement and our release and waiver of liability and assumption of risk and indemnity agreement in order to participate in our trips. Both parents and/or the legal guardian must sign for minor Participants under 18 years of age. If you fail to submit these and other necessary documentation prior to departure, we reserve the right to treat your booking as cancelled by you and impose the cancellation fees described in this agreement.

#### TOUR DEPARTURE DATE

It is your responsibility to be ready to embark on the tour as specified in the itinerary. We are not responsible for any losses due to cancelled or missed flights, changed flight itineraries, late arrivals, or early departures.

#### COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL LAWS AND TOUR ETIQUETTE

You must strictly comply with all local laws, respect local customs and culture, accurately assess your abilities, respect other trip members' privacy, and follow the suggestions and advice of any assigned guide. The decision of the local guide or local supplier is final on all matters that may threaten the safety or interfere with the well-being of others. During the tour, Lightline Pilgrimages or the local guide/supplier has the right in its sole discretion to remove anyone who it determines to detract from others' enjoyment of the tour.

#### LIMITATION OF REMEDIES

To the maximum extent permitted under applicable law, Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC shall not be liable for any special, consequential, indirect, incidental or other damages arising out of or in any way connected to this agreement, including lost profits, whether such damages arise in contract, negligence, tort, under statute, in equity, at law, or otherwise, even if Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC has been advised of the possibility of such damages. You expressly waive any right you may have to recover such damages. Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC's maximum liability in the event of default will be limited to the amount paid to Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC's for its services.

#### SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this agreement shall be unenforceable or invalid under any applicable law, such unenforceability or invalidity shall not render the agreement unenforceable or invalid as a whole. Such unenforceable provision will be replaced with one that is valid and enforceable and which achieves, to the extent possible, the original objectives and intent of the original provisions.

#### SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

This agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC and the Participant and their respective heirs, legal and personal representatives, successors and assigns.

#### UPDATING OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC reserves the right to update and/or alter these terms and conditions at any time. It is your responsibility to be familiar with these terms and conditions. The latest terms and conditions can be found on the Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC website http://www.lightlinena.com/.

#### 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.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

If any portion of this agreement is determined by a court to be null and void, the remaining portions of this agreement shall nevertheless remain valid and binding upon the parties. You also agree that this agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted under applicable law. You agree that if any portion of this agreement is found to be void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

#### MERGER

This agreement is the final, complete and exclusive statement of the parties' agreement on the matters contained in this agreement. It supersedes all previous negotiations and agreements.

I have read this entire agreement, and I am signing it freely. I understand that this is a legally binding contract. No other representations concerning the legal effect of this document have been made to me. My signature applies to all pages of this agreement.

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### **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 NA, LLC. 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, "Releasors") 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 voluntary 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.

Signature of Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_