

WESLEY HERITAGE 10 DAYS



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*The Wesley Family and Methodist 10 day tour
Follow the footsteps of John Wesley through England, from his birthplace in Epworth, through Oxford where he formed the influential "Oxford Methodists" along with George Whitefield and his brother Charles, to Bristol where he established the first Methodist Chapel.*

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Day 1

Transatlantic

Depart USA to London. We must be at the airport at least 2 hours before flight time. Enjoy our on-board transatlantic experience.

ENROUTE TRANSATLANTIC

Day 2

London

Arrive at one of London's airports and after clearing customs and immigration, meet your professional tour director who is also a London area qualified guide and your private motor coach at the airport and tour escort and depart on a panoramic sightseeing tour of London. The tour will pass iconic landmarks including Westminster Abbey, The Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Place.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT LONDON



Day 3 St. Paul's Cathedral / Wesley Chapel, House and Museum / London

Today our guide takes us on an in depth tour of London with a focus on John and Charles Wesley. We will see Charterhouse where John Wesley was at school. Our explorations continue with visits to Wesley's House and the chapel on City Road with the tomb of John Wesley and the integral Museum of Methodism, which tells the story of the evolution of the Methodist movement. We also travel to Aldersgate Street to see the 'Aldersgate Flame' memorial commemorating the place where Wesley experienced his conversion in May 1738.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT LONDON

Day 4 Epworth / St. Andrew's Church / Old Rectory / Wesley Memorial Church

A memorable day as you travel north to Lincolnshire to explore Epworth, the birthplace of John Wesley, the founder of world Methodism. Important sites include; **St. Andrews Church**, Vinegarth, where Samuel Wesley was rector and where his tomb lies in the churchyard and it was from this spot that his son, John, preached in later life. (A talk can be arranged with the Rector, about the church, if wished). In the market Place is the **Red Lion Inn**, where John stayed in later life during visits to Epworth and also the **Market Cross**, another of the locations used by John to deliver his sermons. The highlight of the day is the visit to the **Old Rectory**, which was the Wesley family home for forty years. See many actual Wesley family personal belongings and furniture of the period. (A simple Lunch or afternoon tea can be arranged at the Old rectory for the group). Later, visit the **Wesley Memorial Chapel**, which was erected in honor of John and his brother Charles, and contains a beautiful stained glass window, which depicts the two in profile. Explore this small market town at leisure before departing late afternoon for your hotel.



DINNER AND OVERNIGHT LINCOLNSHIRE

Day 5 The Potteries / Mow Cop / Wedgewood Pottery / Bishop Asbury's Cottage

After breakfast, we travel south to the **Potteries** to see Mow Cop, with its links to primitive Methodism with visit **The Wedgewood Pottery**. Afterwards enjoy a **guided visit of Bishop Asbury's Cottage**, the boyhood home of Francis Asbury, the first American Methodist Bishop. We then continue south to The Cotswolds.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT THE COTSWOLDS

Day 6 Oxford / Christ Church College / University Church

This morning, after breakfast, we drive to Oxford, the town where John and Charles Wesley spent their time as young men. Visit **Christ Church College**, one of the colleges that make up the University of Oxford. The name Methodist was originally a

nickname for a group at Oxford University led by John and Charles Wesley at the time. They had a very disciplined and, ordered and 'methodical' lifestyle. John and Charles were both undergraduates at Christ Church College. See **University Church**, where John Wesley preached his sermon 'Scriptural Christianity.'

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT THE COTSWOLDS

Day 7

Cotswolds / Bath

Our journey today begins in the beautiful Cotswolds that were criss-crossed countless times by John Wesley as he travelled on horseback or by carriage to spread his message. In Bath we meet a local guide and see the unique hot springs, Roman Baths, splendid Abbey and Georgian stone crescents that have attracted visitors for centuries.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT THE BATH

Day 8

Wesley Chapel / Charles Wesley House / Bath / Bristol

A very important morning for us as we travel the short distance to the port city of Bristol. We spend our morning in Bristol devoted to John Wesley, as you visit **John Wesley's Chapel**, the oldest Methodist building in the world built in 1739 and the first ever Methodist chapel. It remains a place of worship to this day. Known as the 'New Room' by Methodists today, you will see to chapel as it was in the 18th Century and visit the rooms above where John Wesley stayed, as did his brother, the great hymn writer Charles Wesley. After time on your own for reflection, continue to **Charles Wesley's House**. This is a superbly preserved Georgian house, where Charles Wesley lived with his wife Sally and their three children. See the parlor, the music room, the garden and the study where Charles wrote some of his 7,000 hymns. This afternoon we return to Bath with time on your own, perhaps for shopping.



DINNER AND OVERNIGHT BATH

Day 9

Cambridge / London

Driving south this morning to London. En route stop in the university town of Cambridge, here you will have a walking tour of some of the Colleges that make up the university, **Kings College Chapel** contains Ruben's 'Adoration of the Magi'. Continue to London and your hotel. The afternoon and evening are free. Touring coach and Tour escort services to end on arrival at your hotel. Dinner on your own this evening.

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT LONDON

Day 10

London / USA

Coach and driver will meet you at the hotel for the transfer to the airport and your return flight back to the USA.

INCLUDED

1. Flight on regularly scheduled airline from USA to London and return
2. 8 nights lodging double occupancy first class hotels
3. Full English breakfast and dinner daily.
4. Touring coach and Tour Manager (7 days):
5. Transfers and additional sightseeing: Morning sightseeing tour of London with Blue Badge guide, with visits to St. Paul's Cathedral and Wesley's Chapel and Museum. Private coach transfer from the hotel in London to airport for departing flight.
6. Entrances to the following attractions and special activities:
Wesley's Chapel 'New Rooms' and Charley Wesley's House, Roman Baths and Pump Rooms, Christchurch College Oxford, St. Andrews Church and Old Rectory Epworth, Wesley Memorial Church, Kings College Cambridge, St. Paul's Cathedral, Wesley's Chapel and Museum London
7. Porterage of 1 piece of luggage per person on arrival and departure from each hotel
8. Emergency medical insurance for the whole group.

Not included in the above quotation:

Government taxes on airline tickets, airport taxes, and fuel charges.

Tips and gratuities to drivers, guides or headwaiters. Approximately \$12.00 per day.

Meals other than those specifically mentioned

Personal spending money for drinks, souvenirs etc.

Transfers to or from US departure airport and passenger's home or organization.

Local government taxes included at the current prevailing rates.

Travel insurance except for the emergency medical insurance mentioned above.

Cost of obtaining passports, visas, handling fees, excess baggage and forwarding of baggage, entrance fees not mentioned, optional tours, tips for personal favors, and costs resulting from absence or deviation from the itinerary and any items not mentioned as being included. Transfers to or from originating airport and passengers home or organization.