

Global Smyrna Meeting o n P O L Y C A R P

March 20-23, 2026



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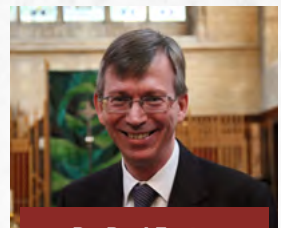
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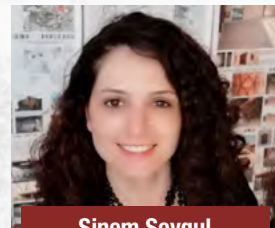
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MAIN PROGRAM

Mar 20 Fri Arrive Izmir Airport

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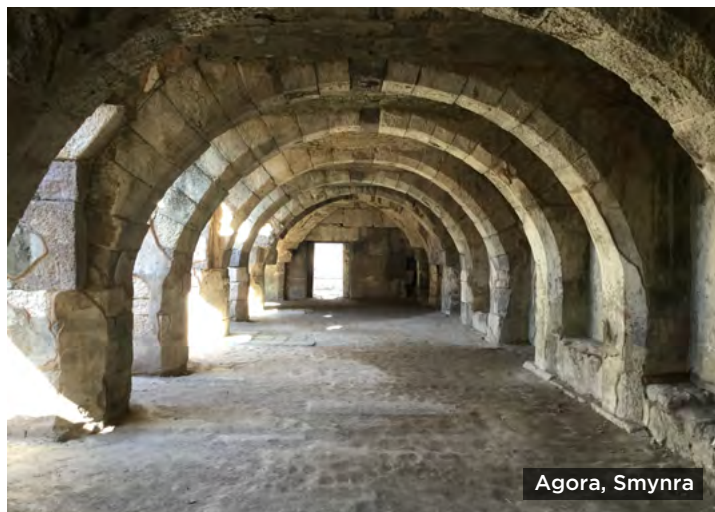
Mar 21 Sat Full Day Lectures (09:00 - 17:00)

- **Martin Kmetec**, President of the Conference of Catholic Bishops in Turkey
 - **Dr. Paul Foster**, The University of Edinburgh
 - **Dr. Jason Borges**, Asia Minor Research Center
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- Breakfast, and Dinner at the hotel. (B,D)

Mar 22 Sun Full Day Smyrna Tour (09:00-17:00)

We start our tour with a drive to Mount Pagus, Kadifekale overlooking the Izmir Bay. Visit the new Saint Polycarp Memorial Site, recently opened by the Izmir Municipality. This is the closest location to the Smyrna Stadium where Polycarp was martyred in 156 AD. Then, we visit the Smyrna Agora, and its Graffiti section. Free time at Kemeralti Bazaar for lunch. Afternoon visit to the modern St. Polycarp Church, and the new Izmir Culture and Arts Factory Museum. Farewell Dinner at local Seafood Restaurant at Konak Pier. (B,D)

Mar 23 Mon Departure Transfer to Izmir Airport - END



PRE-TOUR

Mar 18 Wed Arrive Izmir Airport

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Mar 19 Thu Pergamon (Rev. 1:11; 2:12) - Thyatira (Rev 1:11; 2:18) - Izmir

Leave for Pergamon. Visit the Acropolis with the steepest theater of the ancient world and the Temple of Trajan. Then proceed to Akhisar to visit the remaining of Thyatira church. Dinner and overnight in Izmir. (B,D)

Mar 20 Fri Ephesus - Izmir

Visit the famous ancient city of Ephesus (Acts 18:19- 24; 19:1-35; 20:16-17; 21:29, 1 Cor. 15:32; 16:8, 1 Tim. 1:3 II Tim. 1:18; 4:12, Rev.1:11, 2:1), and its Terrace Houses, the Ephesus Archaeological Museum and the Basilica of St. John. Dinner and overnight in Izmir. (B,D)



St. Polycarp Church, Izmir



St. Polycarp Memorial Site



LAND ONLY

PRE TOUR (March 18-20)

\$490 Per Person in Double Room

\$150 Single Room Supplement

MAIN PROGRAM (March 20-23)

\$690 Per Person in Double Room

\$225 Single Room Supplement

FULL PROGRAM (March 18-23)

\$1,180 Per Person in Double Room

\$375 Single Room Supplement

INCLUDING

- 5 night at Movenpick Hotel in Izmir or similar
- Sightseeing as per the itinerary
- Daily breakfasts and 4 dinners (B:Breakfast, D:Dinner)
- Entrance fees to all sites (listed in the tour program)
- Guiding services
- Transfers & transportation by private A/C motorcoach
- Biblical documents
- Attendance to all Lectures

EXCLUDING

- International flights
- All Tips to tour guide and driver
- Lunches and drinks
- Personal Expenses, Travel & Health Insurance any other item which is not included above

PAYMENT PROCEDURE

- \$200 per person Deposit : At the time of booking
- Full Payment : December 22, 2025

Land Only Cancellation Policy:

Cancellations made before 60 days of departure: Full refund
Cancellations made within 45 days of departure: 90% refund
Cancellations made within 30 days of departure: 75% refund
Cancellations made within 15 days of departure: 50% refund
Cancellations made within 7 days of departure: 25% refund
Cancellations made within 6 days of departure: No refund

In addition to the above cancellation policy, we charge a 5% processing fee for all refunds, no matter the date of cancellation. This fee is necessary to cover the costs associated with processing refunds, including bank fees and administrative expenses. We understand that sometimes travel plans change, and we appreciate your understanding of this policy.

REGISTRATION

you can fill in the secure form at TUTKU website



OPTION 1

REGISTER NOW

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OPTION 2



1. Open the Camera app on your device.
2. Move the QR code into the frame.

SMYRNA



Basmane Railroad Station
Built in 1876

Saint Polycarp Church
Built in 1625

Konak Pier
Built in mid 17th century

Ancient Roman
bath, gymnasium
from 2nd century

Mosque of Konak
Built in 1754

Clock Tower
Built in 1901

Shore 1850

Magnesia
Gate

Hellenistic
Walls

Agora

Theater

Acropolis
Mount Pagos

Aqueduct

Stadium

St. Polycarp
Memorial Site

Ancient Road

Ephesus
Gate

Temple of
Zeus Akraios

Archaeological
Museum

Aqueduct of Vezirsuyu
Built in 1674



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