Looking for Jesus in the Holy Land today
A pilgrimage for the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago
led by
The Right Rev Jeffrey D. Lee
&
The Very Rev Dominic Barrington
May 9th - 20th, 2017
We are delighted to invite you to join us on a pilgrimage to Palestine and Israel in the late Spring of 2017.

Christian tradition holds dear the practice of making pilgrimages as holy experiences of learning, conversion and transformation, and none is more significant than walking the paths of Jesus.

This is designed to be different from a tour or vacation; a pilgrimage offers a very particular opportunity to engage our sacred Scriptures contextually, and to learn more about the foundational stories of our faith.

We will meet and worship with our sister and brother Episcopalians in Jerusalem, and see some of the ministries of both Episcopal and other Christian churches. We will read Scripture and celebrate the Eucharist at holy sites that bear witness to Jesus’ ministry in the same places. We also will engage people who call this special place home and learn something of the realities of the complex political situation that prevails.

To the first disciples in Galilee who were curious, or even longing for something more in their lives, Jesus said, “Come and see”. We receive that same invitation today as followers of Christ. We hope you will join us in our journey.

Jeffrey D. Lee
Bishop of Chicago

Dominic Barrington
Dean of St James Cathedral

TO SECURE PLACES ON THIS TOUR

Please complete and send the enclosed booking form together with a deposit of $500 per person. Bookings with initial deposit payment should be received by Monday 31st October. Bookings received after that date may be subject to surcharge, depending on flight availability. Final payments will be due by Monday 13th February, 2017.
Day 1, Tuesday 9th May
We check in at Chicago’s O’Hare Airport for our United afternoon flight to Tel Aviv via Newark.

Day 2, Wednesday 10th May
We arrive in Tel Aviv mid morning where we will be met by our guide and then transferred north along the Mediterranean coastline where we will break for lunch. In the afternoon we will drive up to the summit of Mount Tabor, believed by many to be the site of the Transfiguration. Finally we drive across the fertile Jezreel Valley (the Biblical scene of Armageddon) and on to our lakeside guest house in good time to relax and to freshen up before dinner. Dinner and overnight stay by the Sea of Galilee.

Day 3, Thursday 11th May
We begin our day by driving west over the Carmel mountains to the city of Haifa to visit St John’s Episcopal parish and school. We then return east to visit Nazareth, the town where Jesus grew up and break for lunch. We will spend the afternoon visiting the Basilica of the Annunciation, built over the traditional site of Mary’s home, the traditional site of Mary’s well and a synagogue church. Late afternoon visit the nearby village of Cana, the site of Jesus’ first sign according to St John before returning to our lakeside Guest house in good time to relax before dinner. Overnight stay by the Sea of Galilee.

Day 4, Friday 12th May
We begin with the celebration of the Eucharist by the shores of the Sea of Galilee. We will spend the rest of the day visiting the sites around the Sea of Galilee associated with Jesus’ ministry of miracles and teaching set around the lake. We will have the chance to visit the Mount of Beatitudes, the ruins of Capernaum, the Church of the Multiplication of the Loaves and Fishes, and the Church of Peter’s Primacy. We will have the chance to experience our own boat ride on the lake, as well as seeing the First Century fishing boat discovered towards the
Day 4 continued

end of the last century. Return to our hotel in the late afternoon for dinner and overnight stay by the Sea of Galilee.

Day 5, Saturday 13th May

After breakfast we bid farewell to the Sea of Galilee and journey south along an ancient route. We will drive along the Jordan Valley to the oasis city of Jericho, the biblical city of palms where we will break for lunch. In the afternoon we will drive down to Qasr al Yehud on the Jordan River, near to the place where it is believed Jesus was baptized by John. After renewing our own baptism vows we will drive up through the hills of the Judean Wilderness towards Jerusalem, and on south towards Bethlehem passing through the separation wall where we will spend the next two nights staying at the Franciscan Pilgrim Hotel on Manger Square. Dinner and overnight stay in Bethlehem.

Day 6, Sunday 14th May

This morning we leave Bethlehem after breakfast and drive over to East Jerusalem to attend the principal Sunday Eucharist at St George’s Episcopal Cathedral. We will join members of the local community for coffee before returning to Bethlehem and lunch. We will spend the afternoon visiting the Church of the Nativity, the oldest intact church in Christendom and the nearby Shepherds Fields at Beit Sahour. Return to our guest house in good time for to relax before for dinner. Overnight stay by Manger Square in Bethlehem.

Day 7, Monday 15th May

During the morning we will see the work of two remarkable Christian institutions endeavouring to bring something of the abundant life promised in the gospel to those living under the restrictions of the Occupation. We hope to visit the St Vincent Creche/Orphanage - the only
Day 7, continued
Christian children’s home in the West Bank - and the International Center of Bethlehem, founded by Lutheran Pastor Dr Mitri Raheb. After a break for lunch we visit the Israel Museum in West Jerusalem, to visit the Shrine of the Book exhibition about the Dead Sea Scrolls, as well as a detailed scaled model of Jerusalem at the time of Jesus. Finally, we come to our hotel in the Christian Quarter of the Old Walled City of Jerusalem. Dinner and overnight stay in Jerusalem.

Day 8, Tuesday 16th May
After breakfast we drive to Bethany on the eastern slopes of the Mount of Olives to visit the home of Jesus’ friends Mary, Martha and Lazarus. We then drive to the summit of the Mount of Olives for a breathtaking view of the Old City and its beautiful surrounding medieval walls. We then walk down the slopes of the Mount that will take us from Bethphage, the start of the traditional Palm Sunday route to the churches of Pater Noster and Dominus Flevit, and finally to the Church of All Nations, in the Garden of Gethsemane. After a break for lunch we will meet members of Settler communities living in the main settlement blocks south of Jerusalem, to see the environment in which they live, and learn something about their outlook and understanding of the politics and sovereignty of the lands of this region. Return to our hotel in good time to relax before dinner. Overnight stay in Jerusalem.

Day 9, Wednesday 17th May
Our day starts with a visit to the ancient city of Hebron, the site of the Tombs of the Patriarchs, where history and modern-day issues overlap in an acute fashion. We will see both the mosque and synagogue in this sensitive city. We leave Hebron and break for lunch at “The Tent” in Bethlehem. In the afternoon we ascend Mount Zion to visit sites associated with the Last Supper, the Day of Pentecost and the Falling Asleep of the Virgin Mary, before finishing our
Day 9, continued
day at the church of St Peter in Gallicantu built at the top of an ancient set of steps which leads up from the City of David to what is believed to have been the residence of the High Priest. Many believe that Jesus himself was led up these steps to His trial by the authorities after His arrest. Here we recall not only Jesus’ incarceration over the last night of His life, but also Peter’s faithless threefold denial of Jesus. Return to our hotel. Dinner and overnight stay in Jerusalem.

Day 10, Thursday 18th May
This morning we make our way to the Dung gate and walk up to the Western Wall, a section of King Solomon’s Temple and if permitted we will ascend Mount Moriah and the Temple Are to view the Dome of the Rock and Al Aqsa mosque. We then make our way to the remarkable church of St Anne, by the Pools of Bethesda and near the start of the Via Dolorosa. After a celebration of the Eucharist, we will prayerfully walk the Way of the Cross, through the narrow streets of the Old City ending in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. After a break for lunch we drive to the Hadassah Hospital synagogue to view the beautiful Marc Chagall windows that depict the Twelve Tribes of Israel and then on to the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial museum. Return to our hotel. Dinner and overnight stay in Jerusalem.

Day 11, Friday 19th May
After breakfast we visit Abu Ghosh, one of the possible sites of biblical Emmaus, to celebrate a final Eucharist together. Returning to Jerusalem, we have free time to revisit special places, pack, or indulge in some last-minute shopping. Lunch is not included today. Late afternoon we leave Jerusalem and travel down to the Mediterranean to visit the ancient city of Jaffa, Biblical Joppa where we will have our farewell dinner before driving on to Tel Aviv’s Ben Gurion Airport for our overnight flight back to Chicago via Newark.

Day 12, Saturday 20th May
We plan to arrive back in Chicago just before eight in the morning to go our separate ways, ready to speak of all that we have seen and discovered in the Land of the Holy One.

Please note this touring programme may be subject to minor local amendments
HOLY LAND INCLUSIVE TOUR COST - $4249

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 on United

Tu 09 May UA 609 O’Hare - Newark 1145A 256P
Tu 09 May UA 84 Newark - Tel Aviv (TLV) 435P 1015A (10 May)
Fr 19 May UA 91 Tel Aviv TLV - Newark 1110 420P (20 May)
Sa 20 May UA 2001 Newark - O’Hare 600A 740A

✔ All airport departure & passenger taxes (US & Israel).

✔ En Suite accommodation at Christian Pilgrim hotels & guest houses

Galilee - Pilgerhaus *Benedictine guest house by the Sea of Galilee*
Bethlehem - Casa Nova *a Franciscan Guest House on Manger Square*
Jerusalem - Gloria Hotel *Within the Old City, by Jaffa Gate*

✔ Full board throughout (breakfast, lunch & dinner daily).

✔ All entrance fees and local government taxes.

✔ State licensed English speaking guides throughout the tour.

✔ All touring in modern air-conditioned tourist coaches.

THE ONLY ITEMS NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

Single Room supplement $685, Gratuities ($150), Travel Insurance (we suggest travelexinsurance.com) and any items of a personal nature (beverages & laundry).
This tour is operated by
Lightline Pilgrimages NA, LLC.
- The official Pilgrimage partner for the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem -
1829 North Cleveland Ave, Unit B, Chicago, IL60614-8015
Tel: (312) 622-6808      Email: info@lightlinena.com
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:

The Very Rev Dominic Barrington,
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LEAD PASSENGER DETAILS (All correspondence is sent to lead passenger)

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YOUR PAYMENT

Deposit per person @ $500 = __________

Total enclosed = __________

SPECIAL DIETS ETC

Please review our terms and conditions and waiver of liability at www.lightlinena.com before booking to ensure that you and all travelers named above agree with our terms and conditions.

By signing and submitting this booking form and deposit the check, you confirm that you and all of the travelers named above 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 terms and conditions and 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 above addresses. 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: _________________________

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Tel: (312) 622 6808 Email: dean@saintjamescathedral.org

Please make checks payable to:

“LIGHTLINE PILGRIMAGES NA LLC “
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.

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. 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 NA, LLC 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:

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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.
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 NA, LLC 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: ________________________________
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:____________________________________________________________