

Scandinavia Spiritual Heritage Tour

SCHEDULED DEPARTURE Sept. 18 - Oct. 1, 2018

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Please join us as we travel to Scandinavia to follow the cultural and spiritual roots of Bethlehem Baptist Church. Uncover the secrets of Scandinavia's fascinating Viking heritage, experience the beauty of Denmark, admire the scenic splendor of Sweden's countryside and Norway's majestic fjords. Worship with local believers and hear the vision of resident missionaries and church leaders. Combine amazing travel with a spiritual emphasis

that will inspire you to worship our great God more deeply. Prayerfully consider joining us for this remarkable, one-of-a-kind tour!

—Pastor Brad & Cindy Nelson

Exploring Scandinavia's history and culture will give us insights into the growth and influence of Christianity, leading to the spread of the church to the U.S. in the latter half of the 19th century. We'll visit where F.O. Nilsson officiated the first believer's baptism in Sweden. Several years later, Nilsson came to



Minneapolis and helped start Bethlehem. We'll learn how Sweden went from being the leading mission-sending country in the world in the early 1900's to being possibly the most secular country in the world today with less that 2% Christians. If you can join us, I'm confident you will receive an appreciation of Scandinavia's rich culture, it's influential spiritual history, and an understanding of the current state of the church.

—Paul & Karin Lindberg

Day 1: Tuesday, September 18, 2018 • Departure

Our journey begins as we board our international flight bound for Copenhagen.

Day 2: Wednesday, September 19, 2018 • Copenhagen, Denmark

Upon our arrival in Copenhagen, we meet our tour guide and driver, and begin our journey through Denmark and Sweden. A local city guide meets us at our hotel. We enjoy a panoramic tour of the city. We see such sites as Amalienborg Palace and the changing of the guard, the beautiful waterfront area, and of course the Little Mermaid. Dinner tonight is at our hotel. **D**

Day 3: Thursday, September 20, 2018 • Copenhagen, Denmark

After breakfast, we drive a short distance to Roskilde where we tour Roskilde Cathedral. Denmark is the oldest concurrent monarchy in the world, and most of her kings and queens have been laid to rest here, some in spectacular tombs. We see the Viking Ship Museum which tells the story of the Scandinavian Vikings. After lunch we return to Copenhagen to visit Rosenborg Palace, where we have a chance to see the Crown Jewels of Denmark. Then it is off to the heart of the city to Tivoli, the world's oldest amusement park. The park was the inspiration for Walt Disney, and is comprised of beautiful gardens, a man-made lake, a number of stages where different entertainers perform, some rides, and many restaurants. This evening we dine at one of Tivoli's restaurants. B, D

Day 4: Friday, September 21, 2018 • Malmo, Gothenburg, Sweden

Today we cross the famous bridge to Malmo where a local guide joins us as we explore the city center. We see Lunds domkyrka, the



most visited church in Sweden. Its altar piece dates back to the 14th century. We also visit St Peter's Church of Malmo. We stop at the municipality of Vallersvik, where F.O. Nilsson performed the first adult baptism in Sweden. We continue north to Gothenburg, our home for the next three nights. **B**, **D**

Day 5: Saturday, September 22, 2018 • Gothenburg, Sweden

We spend our day exploring Sweden's second largest city which is sometimes referred to as Little London. We see Slottsskogen city park and the rose garden. We walk the cobblestoned streets of Haga, the city's oldest neighborhood, which has experienced a renaissance in recent years. We also visit the Fish Church and the Volvo Museum. Tonight, local missionaries join us for dinner. **B**, **D**

Day 6: Sunday, September 23, 2018 • Gothenburg, Sweden

Today we worship with local believers. Activities for the remainder of the day are centered around connecting with our local missionaries. **B**, **D**

Day 7: Monday, September 24, 2018 • Stockholm, Sweden

Today we take a northeasterly drive on to Stockholm, "the Venice of the North". This evening, gather with your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner in the old town at Fem Sma Hus. This stunning restaurant is comprised of five connected timber-framed houses from the 17th century and captures the flavor of a bygone era. **B**, **D**

Day 8: Tuesday, September 25, 2018 • Stockholm, Sweden

A local guide meets us at our hotel this morning for a panoramic tour of this beautiful city. We tour Drottningholm, residential palace of the Swedish royal family. We walk the cobblestone streets of the Gamla Stan (Old City), see the changing of the guard, visit the City Hall where the Nobel Prize banquet is held, and tour the amazing Wasa Museum, an historic vessel of the 17th century and learn of its history. The vessel sank on August 10, 1628. This evening local missionaries join us at our hotel to share an evening of encouragement. **B**, **D**

Day 9: Wednesday, September 26, 2018 • Mora, Sweden

After breakfast we uncover the secrets of Sweden's fascinating Viking heritage during a full-day trip from Stockholm. A local guide joins us as we travel through the scenic splendor of Sweden's countryside to sites of profound historical interest, see ancient Viking parliaments, decipher inscriptions upon runic stones, and see relics that attest to the complexity and richness of the culture. We stroll the charming streets of Sigtuna, Sweden's longest established town, and absorb the sacred atmosphere at sites like Gamla Uppsala. We overnight at Mora. **B, D**



Day 10: Thursday, September 27, 2018 • Lillehammer, Norway

This morning we discover the towns the Dala Horse originated from. The Dala Horse, a Swedish tradition, is a carved and painted wooden statue of a horse which children played with. We stop at the Dala Häst factory in Nusnäs before beginning our journey west to Norway. We overnight at Lillehammer, where the Winter Olympics were held in 1994. **B**, **D**

Day 11: Friday, September 28, 2018 • Flam, Norway

We continue this morning towards the majestic fjord region. We visit the Borgund Stave Church. This intricate structure, built in 1180, is dedicated to the Apostle Andrew. We arrive in the quaint village of Flåm, nestled at the entrance to the stunning Aurlandsfjord. Here we embark on one of the world's steepest train rides, the renowned Flåm Railway. We ascend to 3,000 feet, passing mighty waterfalls, towering mountains and amazing valleys. We journey to the mountain plateau of Myrdal and continue down to the fjord of Flåm offering breathtaking views each way. **B, D**

Day 12: Saturday, September 29, 2018 • Bergen, Norway

We continue towards Bergen this morning, traveling into the beauty of Norway's fjords. Today is a good day to watch for trolls, as we pass under mountains through dozens of tunnels and cross a few bridges. We continue toward Stalheim and ascend the narrow hairpin turns of the Stalheim Canyon Road to the Stalheim Hotel. We enjoy a cup of coffee in this historic hotel boasting the finest view in Norway. Our next stop is in Voss, for a chance to have lunch and perhaps pay homage to the memorial of football legend, Knute Rockne, who was born here. We continue to Bergen. **B, D**

Day 13: Sunday, September 30, 2018 • Bergen, Norway

This morning a local guide meets us at our hotel and takes us on a panoramic tour of this amazing city. We are formally introduced to the Hanseatic Waterfront, learning about its fiery history and profound impact on the city. We also travel through a portion of the city by bus seeing other sights, before arriving at Troldhaugen, home of Norway's beloved composer Edvard Grieg. We have the rest of the afternoon free to enjoy Bergen on our own, including a chance to explore one of the many restaurants. Tonight, we enjoy a farewell dinner. **B**, **D**

Day 14: Monday, October 1, 2018 • Return

We transfer to the airport for our return flight home. B

Abbreviations for Meals B=Breakfast **D**=Dinner

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Includes estimated air from Minneapolis

*Price is based on a minimum of 20 paying participants, double occupancy If 30 paying participants: \$4,559 pp

Single supplement = \$925

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- Land Transportation via private deluxe airconditioned motor coach
- Accommodations (double occupancy) in 3 and 4 star hotels
- Meals per the itinerary
- **Admission** to all activities indicated in the itinerary except those listed as optional
- Services of a professional tour manager
- Local step-on guides for city tours and major attractions
- Luggage handling of one piece per person
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- Optional insurance for health, baggage and cancellation. (This insurance is available and recommended.)

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