

Pre-conference programme

Luther Pilgrimage 2017 11th – 18th August 2017

from Lutherstadt Eisleben to Lutherstadt Wittenberg

We begin our pilgrimage in Eisleben, Luther's birthplace, and will discover the town by a pilgrimage to the memorial sites. Then from Breha to Wittenberg we will discover more of Martin Luther and the Reformation through meditation, discussion, music and prayer along the way.

Each day will begin with a Bible reading as stimulus to accompany us throughout the day.

We will travel on foot and by train / bus. Overnight we will stay in simple B + Bs or youth hostels arranged in advance. Pilgrims joining us for the day without accommodation are also very welcome.

Luggage transport will also be provided.

There may be changes to the programme.

The **cost of bed, breakfast, train/bus will be about €275.00**

Friday 11th August 2017

Arrival in **Eisleben** about 5 pm. Meet at the main entrance of the Hauptbahnhof (main stn)
2 nights at Kloster Helfta.

Saturday 12th August

Pilgrimage round Eisleben

Sunday 13th August

Morning service; at midday departure for **Breha**, where Luther's wife, Katharina von Bora, was accepted as a pupil in the Augustinerkloster (Augustinian Convent)

Monday 14th August

By bus from Breha to **Petersroda**, then on foot to **Friedersdorf**.

The Luther Way leads us, amongst other things, through the Holzweißiger Seenplatte (Holzweiß Lake District) and the Goitzewald (Goitze Wood), then along the edge of the lake to Friedersdorf. About **13 km (8 miles)**

Tuesday 15th August

Friedersdorf - **Schleitz**.

The Luther Way leads through the woods and along the edge of fields above the north bank of the Mulde Dam. It marks the transition from the Mulde Valley to the Dübener Heide (DübenHeath). About **13 km (8 miles)**

Wednesday 16th August

Schleitz – Hammermühle - (Bad Düben)

This stage leads us through the woods of the Düben Heath and across the River Mulde. Martin Luther came this way many times on his way to Leipzig. In 1519 he introduced the Reformation in Bad Düben. About **18 km (11½ miles)**

Thursday 17th August

Hammermühle - Kemberg

Martin Luther preached in the Kemberg Stadtkirche (Town church) 14 times.
The Reformation was introduced here in 1522. About **21 km (13 miles)**

Friday 18th August

Kemberg - Wittenberg About **21 km (13 miles)**

Saturday 19th - Monday 21st August

Time to rest and relax until the start of the Ecumenical Assembly and reflect on your experiences.

Please book your own accommodation through the Tourist Information Centre: +49 (0)3491 49 86 14