

## Adults 55+ Trips-n-Travel

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### OHIO AMISH LAND ~ THE ARK ENCOUNTER ~ CREATION MUSEUM

May 21- 27, 2023

By popular demand, we are offering another opportunity for a trip to the Amish country where you will experience the Amish people and their culture up close and personal. We will have meals in three different Amish homes, and see the beautiful back roads by motor coach, but that is not all, add The Ark Encounter and Creation Museum and you have a first-class trip. Sign up quickly as this trip could also sell out!!!

#### Day 1: Sunday, May 21, 2023

Our bus will **depart** from the church parking lot at **7:30 AM** on **Sunday, May 21** and travel to **Bowling Green, KY**. We will be making three short breaks. When we reach Bowling Green, we'll check into the **DRURY INN**. After checking in we will have dinner next door at The Outback.

#### Day 2: Monday, May 22, 2023

After breakfast, we will board our bus, take a couple of quick rest stops, and arrive in Florence, KY for lunch at **BOB EVANS**. Then, on to **Carlisle Inn, Walnut Creek, OH** which will be home base for three nights in the **largest Amish Community in the world**. You are in for a treat as you will see this hotel with its Amish look, as one of the many high points of your trip. Enjoy your balcony views of rolling green hills and surrounding farms. We will have a buffet dinner at one of the Amish Restaurants.

#### Day 3: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 *Note: The order of venues on May 23 and 24 may change.*

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before boarding our bus for a tour of those places that makeup the Ohio Amish Country. We will be joined by a **local tour guide**, who will take us through the two days while here. Our schedule for the day will include a guided tour of a **Behalt**, Amish meaning "to keep" or "to remember," a 10 ft. tall by 265 ft. long Cyclorama (Mural in the Round) illustrating the heritage of the Amish and Mennonite people from their beginning in Zurich, Switzerland in 1525. From here, we will go to **Walnut Creek Cheese** for their **famous "haystack" lunch** (a special Amish sandwich) and homemade ice cream. Next stop is an **Amish home** where we will see basket making. Time allowing, we will return to our hotel for a short rest before departing for another Amish home for an **all-you-can-eat** family style dinner.

The day doesn't end with dinner! We will go to the 500 seat **BLUE STAR THEATRE**, where we will enjoy the live presentation by seasoned musicians and actors in a show called "Dear Soldier Boy". It's about an Amish girl that starts writing to 3 different boys in the military. Later, they all show up at her door without her father knowing about it.

Then, it's back to the hotel and if you are not yet tired, run around the building a few times, but remember we still have tomorrow.

#### Day 4: Wednesday, May 24, 2023

After breakfast at the hotel, we will board our bus and depart for the **Schrock Heritage Farm** and a **tour of an Amish Home**. Next, we will visit **Coblentz Leather** an Amish family owned and operated leather store. Do you need a purse, wallet, belt, etc.? If so, this is the place. When you think quilts, you think Amish, see them at **Lone Star Quilts**, then on to **Heini's Cheese** with 80 flavors to sample. We will visit **Lamp and Light Candles** and **Walnut Creek Brooms**. We will have, a back roads tour of the Amish country before we end the day at **Esta's Amish Home**.

#### Day 5: Thursday, May 25, 2023

After breakfast at the hotel, we will board our bus and travel to the **Creation Museum** in Petersburg, KY, near the Cincinnati Airport. You will have lunch at the restaurant in the museum. You will experience the creation of the universe through the stories told by the amazing exhibits and the most magnificently designed animations. You will have a scheduled show the **Stargazer planetarium** where you will experience the depths of God's created universe. Also included is the 20-minute **4D video on Genesis**. Leaving the museum, we will travel to our nearby hotel. After checking in, we will go to a local restaurant and have a leisure dinner.

**Day 6: Friday, May 26, 2023**

After breakfast we will check out of our hotel and take a short trip to the **Ark**. You will be amazed at the size of this huge structure and its presentation of how various issues like food storage, feedings, separation of species, waste management, ventilation and so much more may have been managed. We will have lunch at the ARK and at 3:00 PM depart the ARK and travel to hotel for the evening, with a stop for dinner at Cheddar’s restaurant. Then a good night of rest before we head for home in the AM!

**Day 7: Saturday, May 27, 2023**

After breakfast we will check out of our hotel at **7:30 AM** and head for home for some much-needed rest. We will have rest stops plus a stop at a restaurant for a lunch designed to prepare us for entrance back into Cajun Land.

**COST per person (pp) is based on room occupancy:**

**SINGLE - \$1,600 pp    DOUBLE - \$1,190 pp    TRIPLE - \$1,070 pp**

**INCLUDES:** Bus, Driver Expenses & Tip, 6 nights lodging, 4 Lunches, All Breakfasts, All Dinners, Tour Guide, and all items listed in Amish Tour including meals and Ohio Blue Star Theater. Only 3 lunches will be “on your own”.

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**

Occupancy	Amount to pay per person at YAH on Nov. 15	Amount to pay per person at YAH on Jan. 17	Balance due. Pay at YAH on April 18	Total Per Person
Double	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$390.00	\$1190
Triple	\$375.00	\$375.00	\$320.00	\$1070
Single	\$450.00	\$600.00	\$550.00	\$1600

**RESERVATION POLICY:** Reservations taken on a first come basis from **9:30 – 10:30AM** at the monthly **Young at Heart meetings on: Nov 15, Dec 6, Jan 17, Feb 14, and Apr 18. (No payments or reservation accepted on March 21 / Spring Celebration in the Worship Center).** If you cannot attend one of these meetings have someone else sign you up at the YAH trip table with your check made payable to First Baptist Church (or FBC). If you are registering for someone else, please be prepared to fill out a registration card with information required: name, DOB, mailing address, home phone, cell phone, email address, room occupancy preference and the names of roommate(s) to match room occupancy preference. Deposit and payments made at the Young at Heart meetings secures your reservation. Payments cannot be made in church office.

**MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM:** Minimum of 35 people are required to make this trip and the maximum we can take is 42.

**WAITING LIST POLICY:** You are encouraged to register even if you are on standby, and the list is long. There are normally those who find it necessary to cancel and therefore, you will have a high probability of going. Those listed as standby will need to make **the initial payment only to hold a place on the waiting list.** Standby payment will be refunded in full if the opportunity to make the trip does not present itself.

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** Cancellations accepted with a full refund until **April 4.** After **April 4,** there will be **NO REFUNDS** unless there is a waiting list, and someone is willing to take your place. If you must cancel, contact Angela in the church office to get the name of the next person(s) on the waiting list. It will be up to you to call that person and ask that they contact Angela in order to take your place. Once they make their payment, your refund will be mailed to you. You may not transfer your trip to another person on your own if there is a waiting list.

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER: April 18.**