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Dear Traveling Friends,

We appreciate and thank you for choosing to travel with us! We know you are excited when thinking of your upcoming **Iceland – Glaciers, Golden Circle & Northern Lights** tour. Time is approaching the October 19th departure date.

We remind you that **you must bring your passport, valid 6 months beyond the conclusion of the tour**, with you to make the trip.

Susie Joyce will be your Christian Tour's escort. Upon arrival in Iceland, you will be accompanied by a local Iceland tour guide. Following is the departure schedule for transportation to the airport:

DEPARTURE SCHEDULE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19th, 2026

Please be at the departure point & visible 10 minutes prior to departure time.

*Our departure locations are very kind to allow Christian Tours to use their parking facilities, and we do not want to abuse this privilege. Please park in the designated areas requested by the departure locations. **REMEMBER** that coffee and continental breakfasts at our motel/hotel departure points are for their overnight guests only.*

MORGANTON – Wal-Mart Supercenter, 120 Morganton Heights Blvd, I-40, Exit #103 (Hwy 64) 12:30 p.m.

**Please park in the upper corner of the lot near the entrance road.*

HICKORY – Comfort Inn, 1607 Fairgrove Church Road, I-40, Exit #128 1:00 p.m.

**Please park on the right side of the building and place the enclosed parking ticket in the dash of your car.*

CHARLOTTE – Hyatt Place-Charlotte Airport/Tyvola, 2950 Oak Lake Blvd 12:15 p.m.

You must **GO INSIDE to register your car for parking. The instructions are included in this mailing.*

**Park & board near the dumpsters at the back of the lot. Wait in your vehicle for pickup.*

CHRISTIAN TOURS – 4643 S NC 16 Hwy, Maiden, NC 1:45 p.m.

MOCKSVILLE – Days Inn, I-40, Hwy 601 S at 1500 Yadkinville Road, Exit #170 2:25 p.m.

WINSTON-SALEM – Village Inn Clemmons, 6205 Ramada Drive, I-40, Exit #184 2:45 p.m.

RALEIGH/DURHAM – Airport, Icelandair Airlines Ticket Counter (front entrance) 5:30 p.m.

YOUR PICK-UP POINT is highlighted above in yellow. If you prefer a departure point other than the one listed for you, please let us know.

*Never change your departure point without calling our office. Note: You may be transported in one of our Christian Tours vans to join the group. Please look for our vehicle. **If we are as late as 20 minutes arriving to your pick-up point, please call our office at 1-800-476-3900.*

FLIGHT SCHEDULE:

Depart	Raleigh/Durham	Monday, October 19 th	Icelandair #820	8:30 p.m.
Arrive	Reykjavik	Tuesday, October 20 th		6:40 a.m.

*Upon arrival, you will first clear immigration, then proceed to the baggage claim area to claim for luggage and continue through Customs.

Depart	Reykjavik	Sunday, October 25 th	Icelandair #821	4:45 p.m.
Arrive	Raleigh/Durham			7:30 p.m.

Electronic tickets have been issued. You **must** have your passport with you and accessible as this is required at airport check-ins. We also suggest you bring high protein snacks with you. You will have an opportunity to purchase a drink and food at the Airport. You are not allowed to take drinks/fluids through security. ****Note: Iceland Air does not offer snacks or meals.** Food will be available for purchase. Water, sodas and juice are offered complimentary.

*If you have a frequent flyer number for this airline, or a TSA Pre-Check or Global Entry Number, make sure you either enter this number when you check in at the kiosk or advise the ticket agent at the airport.

Please note: Airlines have complete control over seat assignments. Our travel agent has worked to arrange seat

LUGGAGE HANDLING: Airline luggage allowance is **49 pounds per person, to be contained in a single suitcase.** Checked baggage over 50 pounds will be charged an additional \$100.00 or more per person. Please attach the enclosed baggage tag to this piece of luggage. You may also bring a carry-on small which will be your responsibility. Airlines allow only one carry-on and one personal item such as a purse, camera bag or briefcase. Please pack as light as possible! Most overseas coaches do not have as much luggage space as our American coaches. ****Carry-on luggage with adjustable handles and wheels will not fit in the overhead compartments of overseas coaches and cannot be accepted as carry-on luggage.**

AIRPORT SECURITY INFO FOR CARRY-ON BAGS: Each passenger is limited to one quart-size clear zip lock bag of travel size (3 oz) toiletries. Larger items must be in your checked baggage. This includes all beverages, shampoo, suntan lotion, creams, toothpaste, hair gel, and other similar items. Exceptions: Baby formula and medicines, which must be presented for inspection at the checkpoint. Prescription medicines must match the passenger's name. Essential non-prescription medicines such as insulin are permitted. If you are in doubt about an item, please leave it at home or place it in your checked baggage or the item may be intercepted at the security checkpoint.

Also, make sure you are not carrying pocket-knives, scissors or any other object of this sort in your purse, pockets or carry-on. These will be confiscated. All luggage is x-rayed.

HOTELS:

October 20th & 21st – Hotel Dyrholaey, Vik, Iceland – phone (354) 487-1333

October 22nd & 23rd – Stracta Hotel Mosfell, Hella, Iceland – phone (354) 662-8110

October 24th – Fosshotel Reykjavik, Reykjavik, Iceland – (354) 531-9000

***Luggage handling is not provided in Iceland. Passengers must be prepared to handle their own luggage.**

As always on a tour, take sturdy, comfortable walking shoes. **What to Pack:** The Icelandic climate is very unpredictable the whole year round; thus, it is recommended to bring good sturdy shoes and thick socks for trekking, a warm wind and rainproof jacket and trousers, gloves or mittens, good head wear/hat and sunglasses. Warm sweaters and thermal underwear are also recommended. Don't overpack! Plan on layering your clothing. Iceland is renowned for outdoor swimming in the countless geothermal-heated pools and lagoons so you will want to bring a bathing suit.

Season & Climate: The Icelandic climate is warmer than the name suggests, thanks to the Gulf Stream. During October the climate is mild but unstable with possible rain and frequent weather changes. The daily temperature can fluctuate. The average temperature in October ranges from 32 to 55 degrees – although this can vary. Daylight at this time is around 7:45 am. until 6:30 p.m. While you are packing, check the weather and forecast for your destination(s). Websites like www.weather.com are invaluable.

Safety Matters: The following dangers may be applicable:

Ice on pavement/paths

Lava fissures

Glacial crevasses

Falling ice (glaciers, cavets, etc)

As you know, there are (5) breakfasts, (1) lunch and (2) dinners included in this tour. The average cost of meals not included in your tour are as follows: lunches are \$18 to \$30 USD and dinners are \$28 to \$50 USD. Your international tour guide will make suggestions for meals.

Service and VAT are invariably included in prices in Iceland. Tipping is not customary and therefore not expected. This applies to everything: restaurants, taxis, tour guides, cafes, room service, etc. Tipping has become generally accepted in the tourism sector for guides and drivers; therefore, if you feel that you have received good service, Icelanders will welcome a tip. (A gratuity to your Christian Tours escort would be appreciated.)

The regular voltage is 220 versus our 110. If you plan to use a hairdryer, rollers or any electric appliance, be sure you have a converter to transform the 220V to 110V. Be sure that you also have an adapter to have your American plug fit the socket. Most hotels do not have a wide supply of converters and adapters, so have your own handy. You can find one in most any major appliance store.

The most popular credit card in Iceland is Visa or Mastercard. Most places accept credit cards for larger purchases only. Note: Many credit card companies require that you give them notice to use your card overseas. ATMs are available to get local currency with your debit card. This card normally requires a 4-digit pin number. The ATM/Debit card is the best way to get your money exchanged as it is difficult to find an exchange bank and when you do, they normally charge a fee/commission. Contact your bank to let them know your travel dates and inquire about using your debit card abroad and the transaction fees.