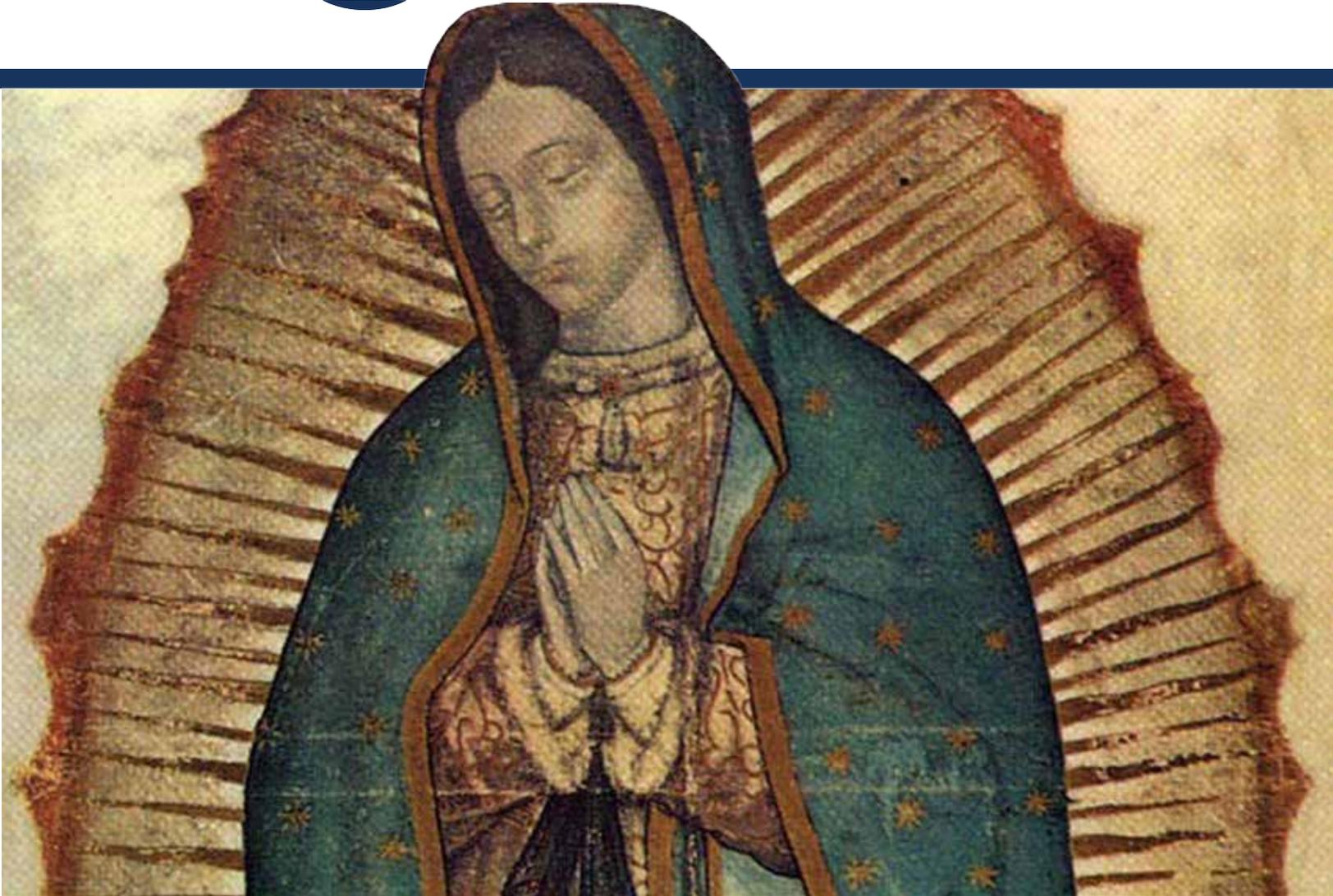




TEKTON MINISTRIES

Encounter Christ on a Catholic Pilgrimage



PILGRIMAGE TO

**GUADALUPE &
SAINTS^{OF} MEXICO**

February 3rd - 10th, 2019

PILGRIMAGE ITINERARY

● Day 1 – February 3: Omaha / Mexico City

Today marks the beginning of our pilgrimage as we depart on our flight to Mexico City. Upon arrival at the airport in Mexico City we will be met by our local guide, and transfer to our centrally located hotel. Time permitting, we will have a introductory visit to the Shrine of Guadalupe.

● Day 2 – February 4: Mexico City

After a brief visit to Parroquia de San Miguel Archángel (St. Michael the Archangel), we walk to the Metropolitan Cathedral, going by the Zocalo, Palacio Nacional, and the Templo Mayor. Continue on foot to the architectural masterpiece Iglesia La Profesa (Jesuits, 'the Professed house') and Parroquia de San Hipólito (Hippolytus of Rome), patron saint of Mexico City. Then proceed to the Plaza of the Three Cultures to see the ancient ruins and the place where St. Juan Diego was baptized. Continue to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, which holds the original miraculous image of our Blessed Mother which she left on St. Juan Diego's tilma. We have an introductory guided tour of the Basilica and the surrounding grounds, the old Basilica, the Tepayac Hill Indian Church, the Church of the Well, and the Monument of the Offerings.

● Day 3 – February 5: Mexico City

This morning we travel to Tulpetlac, the site of the apparition of Mary to St. Juan Diego's uncle, Juan Bernardino. There we celebrate Mass at the Monastery of Acolman. Then we proceed to Teotihuacan for lunch and a visit to the Pyramids of the Sun and Moon. Lastly, we visit the town of Tepotzotlan, which is famous for the Church of St. Francis Xavier before returning to Mexico City.

● Day 4 – February 6: Mexico City

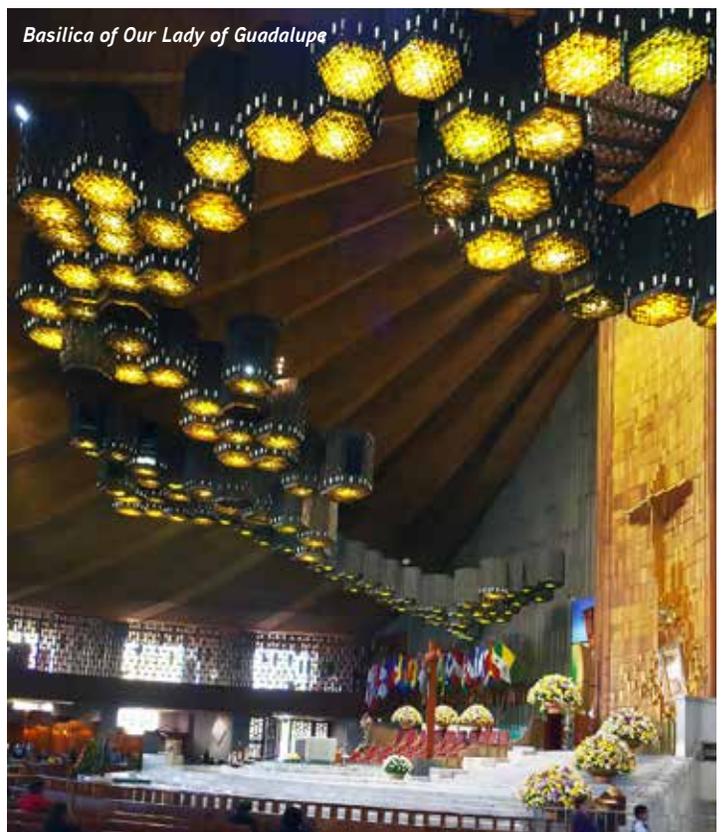
After breakfast, we board our motor coach for a visit to the relics of Blessed Conchita Cabrera Arias de Armida in the Church of San José del Altíllio. Then proceed to the Iglesia de San Juan Bautista (Church of San John the Baptist) one of the oldest Catholic places of worship in the Mexican Valley. We visit the Church of the Holy Family to pray at the tomb and shrine of Blessed Miguel Pro. We then return to revisit the Guadalupe Shrine, celebrate Mass at the Tepayac Hill Indian Church, and have a free afternoon to pray at the Basilicas and its many sites and purchase keepsakes from the Shrine's gift shop.



Teotihuacan Pyramids



Tepayac Hill



Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe



Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe

● **Day 5 – February 7: Mexico City / Cuernavaca / Taxco**

This morning, we depart Mexico City and drive to the colonial city of Cuernavaca and see the Cathedral, the Emmaus Monastery, and the Juarez Garden courtyards near the Cathedral. Then proceed to Taxco, the famous silver-working town where you can buy silver artifacts and jewelry. There we celebrate Mass at the world-famous Santa Prisca Cathedral. Overnight in Taxco.

● **Day 6 – February 8: Taxco / Cholula / Puebla**

Depart from Taxco and drive to Cholula which is known for its 365 churches - practically on every corner. There we visit the Iglesia de Santa María Tonantzintla, and the Shrine of Our Lady of Remedies (Iglesia de Los Remedios) built on the famous pyramid of Cholula. Then proceed to Puebla where upon arrival we begin with time for prayer and Mass at the Santo Domingo Cathedral and Rosary Chapel (Capilla del Rosario). Not far from the Cathedral is the Church of Saint Francis, with the incorrupt body of Blessed Sebastian of Aparicio, the 'Angel of Mexico' and patron of travelers. In the afternoon, we stop at the Puebla Parish of the Holy Cross (Parroquia de la Santa Cruz) smaller and simpler, yet just as beautifully decorated and impressive. Overnight in Puebla.

● **Day 7 – February 9: Puebla / Mexico City**

Depart Puebla and travel to the Shrine of Our Lady of Octolan where Our Lady appeared to Juan Diego Bernardino (not the St. Juan Diego of Guadalupe fame) in 1541 and left her miraculous statue in a burnt tree. Walk out of the Basilica and down a fairly steep sidewalk to the where Our Lady instructed the healing well to be dug, and all who drank from it were cured. We continue to Tlaxcala to the Shrine of the newly canonized "Child Martyrs of Tlaxcala", Saints Cristóbal, Antonio and Juan, three children who were among the first indigenous Catholics of Mexico to be killed between 1527 and 1529. Then we visit the first Christian church in the Americas, the Church of San Francisco, which was established by famous explorer Hernan Cortes. We board our bus to have Mass at the Shrine of San Miguel del Milagro in Cacaxtla, the site of miraculous apparitions of St. Michael to the layman Diego Lazaro in 1631. Pray the St. Michael the Archangel prayer and visit the St. Michael's well. Return to Mexico City. This evening we have a festive farewell supper with a Mariachi band.

● **Day 8 – February 10: Mexico City / Omaha**

After breakfast, we return to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe for Mass at a side altar and one last brief visit. Continue to the airport for our flight home with wonderful memories of our Mexico pilgrimage.



PILGRIMAGE PRICE: \$2,395.00

per person/double occupancy
For a single occupancy please add \$362.00
For land only, please subtract: \$342.00

These rates include:

- Arrangements for daily Mass
- Roundtrip economy class airfare from Omaha to Mexico City on American Airlines
- 7 nights accommodations in 4 star hotels
- All hotel taxes and service charges
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Farewell dinner on day 7
- Comprehensive sightseeing with a licensed Christian guide
- All entrance fees as per itinerary
- Land transportation by deluxe motor coach
- Arrival and departure transfers
- Gratuities to hotel staff and waiters for included meals, guide & driver
- Porterage of one piece of luggage at airports and hotels
- Whisper headsets

These rates do not include:

- Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently \$161.57 per person, but subject to change until the time of ticketing)*
- Lunches, drinks with meals, extras at hotels and any expenses of a personal nature

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Reservations and Payment: Tekton Ministries requires a deposit of \$300.00 per person at the time of booking. This deposit forms a part of your final payment which is due 75 days prior to departure. Reservations made within 74 days of departure must be accompanied by payment in full. Payments made by credit card will incur a convenience fee. Any reservations received within 45 days of departure will incur a late booking fee of \$100.00 per person. This pilgrimage is based upon a minimum of 33 total pilgrims. Surcharges may be assessed for a smaller group size.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be in writing. The following per person cancellation charges will apply in addition to any airline penalties and charges incurred by our suppliers: If canceled 91 days or more prior to departure, a \$75.00 administrative fee will be charged. If canceled 90 - 31 days prior to departure, \$175.00 will be charged. If canceled 30 - 15 days prior to departure, \$450.00 will be charged. If canceled 14 - 7 days prior to departure \$700.00 will be charged. No refunds will be made within 6 days of departure. In addition, once the airline tickets have been issued, 100% of the airfare is non-refundable unless you have been advised otherwise at the time of your booking.

Travel Documents: A passport which is valid for 6 months past the date of your return flight home is required of all U. S. citizens. However, U.S. citizens do not require visas for Mexico. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please call to find out if you need a visa. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for individual visas or passports.

Hotels: Accommodations are based on double occupancy rooms with private facilities. A limited number of single rooms are available at the supplement quoted and should be requested at the time of booking.

Air Transportation: Air travel is in economy class on United Airlines. Fares are based upon levels in effect at the time of printing and fares and flight schedules are subject to change without notice. Note that any ticketing changes made within 90 days of your departure date will incur airline penalties.

Baggage: Each passenger is allowed one checked bag and one carry-on. Tekton Ministries is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen baggage.

Travel Insurance: We strongly recommend that you purchase comprehensive travel insurance for your trip. Registration information will be provided upon receipt of your deposit.

Not Included: Airline taxes/fuel surcharges (currently \$161.57 per person, but subject to change until the time of ticketing), passport/visa fees, personal travel insurance, laundry, beverages and items not on the regular menu of included meals, excess baggage charges, optional sightseeing and expenses of a personal nature.

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