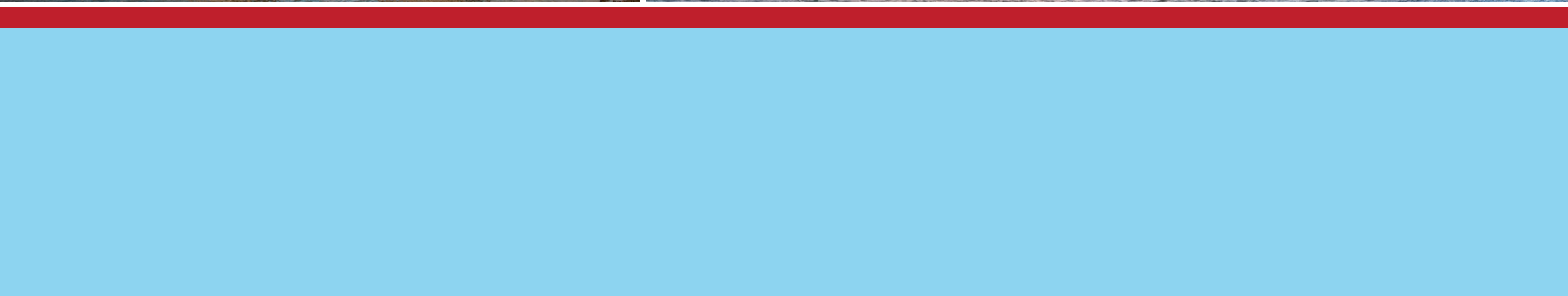
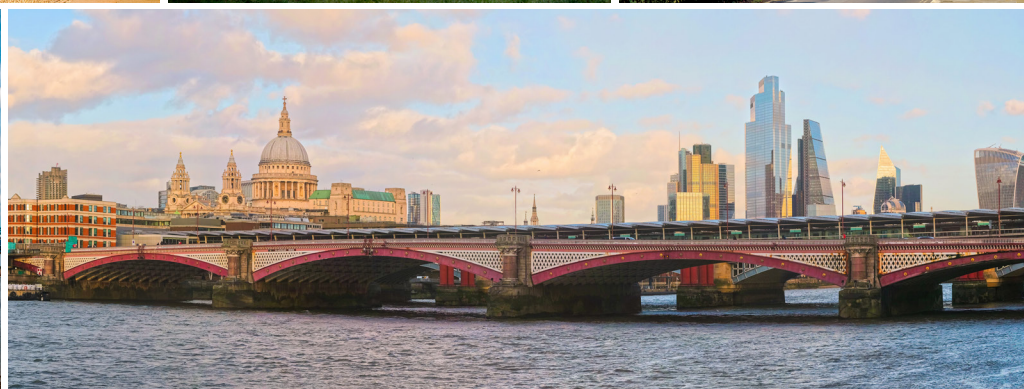




Christianity in
ENGLAND

APRIL 17 - 24, 2025



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April 17 – Depart the USA

Your journey begins when you depart on your international overnight flight to England.

April 18 – Arrive in England / Canterbury

Welcome to London! Our representative will greet and escort you to your bus. You'll drive to Canterbury, the ecclesiastical capital of England. Tour the historic Canterbury Cathedral, where Thomas à Becket, the Archbishop of Canterbury, was murdered by four knights of Henry II in 1170. While many of the original structures were dismantled during the Dissolution of the Monasteries, Canterbury rose again to prominence as a home to French Huguenots escaping persecution, and local legend says the signing to hire the Mayflower to take pilgrims to the new world took place in Canterbury. Check into your hotel for dinner and your overnight stay. (B, D)



April 19 – Cambridge

Journey north to Cambridge University, which was founded in 1209 by a small group of masters and students fleeing from riot-torn Oxford. Early reformers like William Tyndale attended Cambridge, and at the White Horse Inn, a group of men introduced concepts from the German Reformation to England. Cambridge's Sidney Sussex College produced Oliver Cromwell, leader of both Protestant and Republican reforms in England. Visit King's College chapel to see Rubens' breathtaking Adoration of the Magi. Check into your hotel for dinner and your overnight stay. (B, D)



April 20 – Boston / Lutterworth / Coventry

This morning's first stop is Boston, the birthplace of John Foxe and home to St. Botolph's Church, built in 1319. In 1607, Puritan leaders (then known as Separatists) were held at Boston's Guildhall for dissent from the Church of England and for trying to depart for Holland in search of freedom of worship. Continue to Lincoln to visit the Cathedral, a famous example of English Gothic architecture, and Lincoln Castle, an 11th-century Norman castle that is home to one of four copies of the Magna Carta (1215) and the Charter of the Forest (1217). Today's final stop is Coventry, the city almost nearly destroyed by German bombers in 1940. When the city was rebuilt, it chose to leave the charred remains of the old Coventry Cathedral next to the new modern one, and together, they stand as a tribute to the indomitable spirit of the British people. Tonight, join the people of Coventry Cathedral for Evensong. Check into your hotel for dinner and your overnight stay. (B, D)

April 21 – Oxford

This morning, you'll explore the city of Oxford and see some of the colleges here. You will tour Christ Church College, one of the 39 colleges that is a part of Oxford University. You will also visit the beautiful Christ Church Cathedral, which houses beautiful paintings and is home to Great Tom, an 18,000-pound bell that rings every night at 9:05, signaling the closing of the college gates. William Tyndale earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Magdalen Hall (Hertford College) in 1512. He left for London in 1523 to seek permission to translate the Bible into English. You will visit the Sheldonian Theater, where scholars have graduated or been granted honorary degrees since 1669. See also the Bodleian Library and the Radcliffe Camera. You will see other famous landmarks, such as the Bridge of Sighs and the Martyr's Memorial. Check into your hotel for your overnight stay. Dinner is not included. (B)

April 22 – Bourton-on-the-Water / Gloucester Cathedral / London

Enjoy a scenic drive through the charming villages of the Cotswolds, where honey-colored cottages cluster together in secluded valleys. Enjoy a visit to Bourton-on-the-Water, one of the most visited Cotswold villages. Visit Gloucester Cathedral, one of the few monasteries spared from destruction as this cathedral was the burial site of a king (Edward II), converted into church offices. Continue to London, where your local tour guide will take you on a panoramic sightseeing tour of the city before stopping at St. Paul's Cathedral. Attend St. Paul's Cathedral Evensong service if available. Check into your London Hotel. Dinner is not included. (B)



April 23 – London

His Majesty's Royal Palace and Fortress (which contains the Tower of London) stands on the banks of the Thames River in the heart of London. William the Conqueror originally began construction in 1078, and although this historic castle was not originally intended to be a prison, it once held kings, queens, religious leaders, children and even Nazi Rudolf Hess. Reformers such as Sir John Oldcastle were imprisoned here during the repression of the Lollards in the 1400's. Then, proceed to Westminster Abbey. The Westminster Confession of Faith was written here, and the abbey contains the graves of many famous people, including England's early kings and queens. Enjoy some free time to walk around this area of London before returning to your hotel. Dinner is not included.

April 24 – Return to the USA or Enjoy an Extension in London or Wales and Cornwall

Return home with memories of the people of your Anglican heritage and the sacrifices made or stay and enjoy the Wales extension.

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APRIL 24-29, 2025 | Starting at \$2,599*

April 24 – Stonehenge / Tintern Abbey / Chepstow Castle / Cardiff

Today, journey to the mystery of ancient Stonehenge. Experience their new welcome center, and then you can choose to walk or ride a tram (additional cost) to see this UNESCO Heritage Site. Walk among the ruins of Tintern Abbey, whose roofless walls bathe the interior with sunlight. It is one of the most picturesque ruins in Wales. See Chepstow Castle, built by the Normans in 1067 on the frontier of England and Wales. Finish the day in Cardiff, Wales, the capital city. (B, D)

April 25 – Cardiff Castle / Plymouth

This morning, visit Cardiff Castle, where a stronghold has existed since Roman times. Its towers and gardens are a journey through Wales and English history. Pass from Wales through English territory to Cornwall and Plymouth for dinner and your overnight stay. (B, D)

April 26 – Plymouth and Penzance

Take in the place where Pilgrims left in 1620 for the New World and visit the Mayflower steps. See the Royal Citadel erected to defend the port from naval attacks. Stop at Smeaton's Tower, the lighthouse built in 1759. This afternoon, travel to Penzance, made famous by the opera. After a brief walking tour of the city centre, enjoy time on your own to wander the museums and views. Return to your hotel for dinner and your overnight stay. (B, D)

April 27 – Arthur's Castle – Tintagel

Today, you will travel to Tintagel, thought to be the site of Arthur's Castle. Enjoy time here to explore the Cornish Dun (Castle) and the town nearby. Return to Plymouth for dinner and your overnight stay. (B, D)

April 28 – Salisbury and London

Travel back to London via Salisbury, home of one of the four Magna Carta copies still intact. See it at the cathedral and enjoy a lunch break in town on your own before continuing back to London. (B, D)

April 29 – Return to the USA

Guests taking an extension may be on a different flight than their group and/or traveling companion.



APRIL 15-17, 2025 | Starting at \$999*

Enjoy two days in London on your own to explore and shop. From West End musicals to museums to history to Picadilly Circus - the list goes on. Hotel, breakfast, and a two-day London Pass provided.

April 15 - Depart the USA

April 16 & 17- Time on Your Own

Arrive in London and make your way to the hotel. During these two days, you have the city at your feet to explore and shop. Breakfast and hotel included.

April 18 - Join the tour group

