Tour Itinerary:

The table below outlines the day to day schedule that has been planned for the tour. (ON = Overnight)

2011 TMC Turkey & Greece Study Tour			
Day #	**Date**	**Day**	**Planned Sites**
1	May 20	Friday	Arrive Istanbul with transfer to hotel; ON Istanbul
2	May 21	Saturday	Hippodrome, Blue Mosque, Hagia Sophia, Covered Cistern (Yerebatan Saray), Archaeological Museum; Egyptian Spice Market; ON Istanbul
3	May 22	Sunday	AM flight to Adana; then drive through Syrian Gates to Antioch. Visit the city walls on Mt Silpius, St. Peter's Church, and the Mosaic Museum. ON Antalya
4	May 23	Monday	Visit Antioch's port city of Seleucia Pieria; return along the coast past Jonah's Pillar and Issus. Visit the biblical mosaic at Mopsuestia and view the well-preserved Roman bridge. ON Adana.
5	May 24	Tuesday	Drive to Tarsus, the birthplace of St. Paul. Visit the Roman street at Cumhuriyet Square, Donuktas, Roman baths, and the Cleopatra Gate. Then see the Cilician Gates during the drive through the Taurus Mountains. Visit the biblical site of Lystra before driving to Konya (Iconium). ON Konya.
6	May 25	Wednesday	Visit Alaeddin Tepe, the Acropolis of ancient Iconium; then drive to the Hittite site of Eflatun Pinar; then visit the biblical site of Pisidian Antioch. At the Yalvac Museum see the famous Sergius Paulus inscription. ON Antalya.
7	May 26	Thursday	Visit the Greco-Roman city of Perga; then take a walking tour of Attalia and visit the St. Paul Cultural Center. Afterward, visit the award-winning Antalya Museum; then drive to Pamukkale. ON Pamukkale.
8	May 27	Friday	Visit Hierapolis in the morning; then visit the ruins of Laodicea and Colossae. ON Pamukkale.
9	May 28	Saturday	Drive to Alasehir and see the acropolis and theater; then visit Sardis with its Gymnasium, Synagogue and the Temple of Artemis. Then drive through the Lydian graveyard at Bin Tepe and arrive at Akhisar to see the remains of ancient Thyatira. Then drive to Izmir (Smyrna). ON Izmir.
10	May 29	Sunday	View Smyrna from the ancient acropolis; then drive to Miletus to see its theater; then visit the Temple of Apollo in Didyma. Drive to Selcuk to visit the Temple of Artemis, the Basilica of St. John, and the Archaeological Museum. ON Kusadasi.
11	May 30	Monday	Full day tour in Ephesus with a visit to the terrace houses and the double church; free time in the afternoon. Join the Ephesus meeting in the evening. ON Kusadasi.
12	May 31	Tuesday	Drive north to Pergamum and visit the Acropolis, the Red Basilica, and the ancient healing center – the Asclepium. Stop for a brief visit at the ancient port of Adramyttium. ON Assos.
13	June 1	Wednesday	Visit the Temple of Athena and the ancient site of Assos; see the baths of Atticus, the ancient harbor, and the agora at Alexander Troas; then visit Troy to see the ruins of the legendary city and the replica of the wooden horse. ON Canakkale.
14	June 2	Thursday	Take the car ferry and cross the Dardanelles strait, past the Gallipoli battlefield; drive to the Greek border where our Greek tour guide will meet us. ON Grace "Xaris" camp near the border.
15	June 3	Friday	Visit Neapolis, Kavala, and Philippi, the first great city in Europe that Paul visited; see the extensive ruins of the city where Paul was imprisoned; walk by the stream where the first baptism took place. ON at Leptokaria camp.
16	June 4	Saturday	Visit St. George church and the Galatian Arch in Thessalonica; see two of the most beautiful basilicas in the city – St. Demetrius and St. Sophia. Drive to Dion and visit the ancient sites of Vergina and Veria (Berea) and see a modern shrine that commemorates Paul's visit. ON Leptokaria camp.

17	June 5	Sunday	Visit the monasteries in Meteora and be given a great introduction to the Eastern Orthodox Church. Drive to Delphi. ON Delphi.
18	June 6	Monday	Visit Delphi, the site of the famous Oracle. Visit the city treasuries, see the delicate fifth century statue of the Charioteer, and many other ancient treasures; stop at St. Luke's monastery. Then drive to Athens. ON Cosmo Vision Center.
19	June 7	Tuesday	Visit ancient Corinth for the entire day. ON Cosmo Vision Center.
20	June 8	Wednesday	Visit the city of Athens, new Acropolis Museum, Parthenon, Mars Hill and Agora. Time in the afternoon for souvenir shopping in Athens. Greek night at Cosmo Vision Center.
21	June 9	Thursday	Depart from Athens for LAX with many fond memories.