

# HIS-STORY, OUR STORY:

LEARNING FROM SYDNEY'S EARLY CHRISTIAN PAST TO SHAPE OUR CHRISTIAN FUTURE LED BY AWARD WINNING AUTHOR, DR STUART PIGGIN & FRIENDS

18TH - 20TH **MARCH 2021** 

**3** DAYS

REGULAR PACKAGE

PER PERSON TWIN-SHARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY

SPECIAL **EARLY-BIRD** PRICE

PER PERSON (TWIN-SHARE FIRST 25 BOOKINGS ONLY)

OPTIONAL SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT ADDITIONAL

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DAILY RATE PRICE

PER DAY (NO ACCOMMODATION)

In the event of the tour being cancelled due to COVID 19 outbreak trip is fully refundable up to 7 days prior to departure



Join us in Sydney for an unforgettable 3 day fully immersive experience featuring engaging presentations & local touring by some of Australia's greatest Christian Historians. Commencing at St Philip's Church, we'll be hosted by Rev Justin Moffatt, who'll showcase and reveal the treasures left behind by the first fleet Chaplain, Rev'd Richard Johnson. Hear from award winning author, Dr Stuart Piggin, Christian Story-Teller, Dr Paul Roe & Graham McLennan (founder of Christian History website www.chr.org.au) plus a guided walk with expert tour guide, Anne Crawley. The aim of this event is to ensure that the legacy and lessons learned from our early Christian forebearers will be passed on to future generations. All seminars, walking/ coach touring is INCLUDED as well as overnight accommodation at the beautiful Harbour Rocks Hotel, perfectly located in the heart of the Rocks precinct. All meals are also included to ensure this will be a meaningful experience not to miss!

- 2 nights' hotel accommodation at the beautiful ш Heritage-style Harbour Rocks Hotel including daily breakfasts
  - All guided tours, walks, presentations & visits including a private viewing in the Mitchell Library
  - Commentary from our local expert Historians using Whisperer Headsets
  - 3 Lunches
  - 2 delicious dinners (Harts Pub & Tayim)
  - Ferry to Cockatoo Island and Parramatta
  - Coach transport in Parramatta and transfer from Parramatta to Sydney CBD

### WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN THIS EVENT?

- ANYONE INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT THE ARRIVAL AND FORMATION OF THE EARLY CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA
- CHRISTIANS WHO WANT TO PASS ON THE BATON OF KNOWLEDGE, TRUTH AND CHRISTIAN IDENTITY TO OUR FUTURE GENERATIONS
- AVID WALKERS. A MODERATE LEVEL OF FITNESS AND MOBILITY IS REQUIRED (AS WE'LL BE WALKING UP TO 5KMS PER DAY)
- TRAVELLERS WHO ARE MISSING THE OPPORTUNITY TO JOURNEY OVERSEAS & EXPERIENCE THE MAGIC OF WHAT BEING ON A "HOLIDAY" IS ALL ABOUT
- CITIZENS WHO WANT TO BE PART OF THE GRADUAL & SENSIBLE RECOVERY & RE-OPENING OF THE AUSTRALIAN TOURISM & HOSPITALITY SECTOR











#### HERE'S AN OVERVIEW OF HOW OUR 3 DAYS ARE SHAPING UP:

#### **DAY 1 THURSDAY 18 MARCH**

Meet at St Philips, Church Hill Anglican for registration and welcome. Lecture on the major themes of the tour: the contribution of Christian family dynasties and ministry to convicts, soldiers, Indigenous Australians and settlers. Join tour guide Anne Crawley who'll lead a historical walk via St Patrick's Catholic Church to The Rocks and to the Garrison Church. Break for lunch. Continue to Dawes Point to hear about early interactions with Indigenous Australians. Walk via Campbell's Cove to learn about the foundation of ethical commerce in NSW. Then via Cadman's Cottage to the Lands building, to review the Christian contribution to land exploration. We finish at Richard Johnson Square to recall the first service and the first church. Meet for a traditional Sydney dinner at Harts Pub.

## **DAY 2 FRIDAY 19 MARCH**

Meet at St James Church, King Street, for morning welcome and tour. Continue to the Great Synagogue for a guided tour by Rabbi Elton. Learn about the arrival of 14 Jewish Convicts (8 of them women) on the first fleet and subsequent growth of Sydney Jewry. Onwards to the State Library for a unique private viewing & discussion of letters, reports and pictures of early chaplains, missionaries, and ministers, including Richard Johnson and the Hassalls, covering Sunday schools, churches and benevolent societies. Enjoy lunch in the Dixson Room. An afternoon walk to St Stephen's Uniting Church to review Presbyterian history, and on to Pitt Street Uniting Church, home of Congregational Independents, the Fairfaxes and David Jones. It has always witnessed to the values of progress and liberty. Enjoy some free afternoon time before a wonderful early dinner at Tayim Restaurant, located at the Harbour Rocks Hotel.

#### **DAY 3 SATURDAY 20 MARCH**

Travel by ferry to Cockatoo Island (Convict Chapel) with guided commentary on Christian ministry in the dreaded places of 'secondary punishment'. Continue by RiverCat (with commentary on Christian sites on the harbour) to Parramatta for lunch and to learn about early governors, Marsden and the Hassalls. Enjoy a tour of Old Government House plus Old St John's Cemetery. Conclude our tour with a visit to St John's Cathedral with Rev Canon Bruce Morrison. Participate in a special service of worship and farewell ceremony before returning by bus to Sydney CBD.

REGISTER NOW

Itinerary subject to change









**NEXT** STEP 1: Be one of the first 25 people to register at the early-bird price of \$995 (twin share)

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STEP 3: Let your friends and family who may be interested know all about this unique event



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