This trip is a cross-cultural and cross-generational spiritual experience. Students between the ages of 12-14 must be accompanied by a parent. High school youth may journey with an adult sponsor.

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Pilgrimage in Peru

Gather in Lima

Our pilgrimage will begin with a visit to the coastal city of Lima where we will worship, play, and pray with the people in the congregations of the Peruvian Lutheran Church. We will visit historical sights in Lima and the surrounding area and learn about the work of Lutheran World Relief.

Each day includes intentional time for both individual and group reflection.

Excursion to Cusco & Machu Picchu

Cusco & Machu Picchu

Located in the southeastern part of the Andes, Cusco is Peru’s main tourist destination and the first stop on the way to Machu Picchu. You’ll fly from Lima to Cusco on Monday. While in the Sacred Valley, you’ll visit pre-Incan historical sites, meet with members of the local Lutheran church, Talitha Kum, and spend time at Huchuy Runa, a local day school and orphanage. Due to the high elevation of Cusco, there will be plenty of time to rest.

Wednesday, you’ll head to Ollantaytambo then travel by train to Aguas Calientes. As it winds through the Andean Mountains, you’ll pass through several small villages where the local Indian farmers manage their farms and reside just as they have for hundreds of years. After the scenic ride you’ll arrive at the final stop of Aguas Calientes.

Thursday begins with a sunrise tour of Machu Picchu. The ruins of Machu Picchu, rediscovered in 1911 by Yale archaeologist Hiram Bingham, are one of the most beautiful ancient sites in the world. You will return to Cusco on Thursday night.

Friday morning is open for you to explore Cusco, finish any last minute shopping, and prepare for your return home. After lunch we’ll fly to Lima to catch our late night / early morning flights back to the US.
What is my first step? Register online and pay in full by May 31st at waytolead.org/peru-pilgrimage. Important information and updates about the pilgrimage are available here as well.

What flights do I book myself? Each person needs to make their own roundtrip reservations for the flight from the US to Lima. Take special care when choosing your return flight. Make sure your flight departure time is between 10pm on Friday, July 7, and 4am on Saturday, July 8. We will handle all your in-country travel needs including the flight from Lima to Cusco. If you have any questions, email Chris@waytolead.org.

Will there be other costs for this trip? Yes—You will buy most of your own lunches and dinners, pay for some snacks and any souvenirs that you may want. Plan for about $10 per lunch and $15 per dinner. Most people spend less than $100 on souvenirs.

Do I have to exchange money? Yes—We will exchange money in the security of our hotel.

Can children and youth come on this trip? Children ages 12-14 are welcome to travel with their parents. High school youth (age 14+) are welcome to travel with an adult sponsor who will take responsibility for their care. A special release form will be required for everyone under 18, to be signed by their parents/guardians.

What if I have to cancel? Can we make substitutions? A partial refund for the trip is available before April 1, 2017. We cannot refund the cost of your in-country flight. No refunds at all can be made after April 1. Substitutions are encouraged but will not change the refund policy for in-country flights. You are responsible for canceling your flight from the US to Lima.

What if I can’t participate in the live, online Getting Ready Meeting? Please make every effort to participate in this critical gathering which is the start of our pilgrimage together. Conversations and sharing of health care information, travel details, cultural sensitivities, and community building are important for a successful faith journey. If it is impossible for you to participate, the orientation session will be recorded.

Will we be doing a service project? No, this is not what is often referred to as a “mission trip” with the goal of “doing” something “for” others. This is a cultural pilgrimage. We will be hosted by local Peruvian congregations throughout our visit, building relationships based on our shared faith.

Will we have translators? We will have local translators with us throughout the entire trip.

Where will we stay? In Lima we will stay in a hotel in the district of Miraflores. In Cusco we will be in a hotel near the town square. All accommodations are safe, clean and near restaurants. You will have at least one roommate sharing your room and bathroom.

Where do we eat? Breakfasts will be in our hotel; lunches and dinners will mostly be in restaurants. We will not consume the following: salad, fresh fruit not peeled by ourselves, ice in drinks. We will use bottled water only, even for brushing teeth.

What should I bring? A packing list is available here.

Will my cell phone work? Check with your cell phone provider about international calling. Rates will increase. Emergency information will be provided.

Will I have internet access? Our hotels will have internet access and computers available.

How will we travel in Peru? Most travel on land will be in private buses or vans. Cusco includes a train ride.

What shots do I need? Talk with your doctor for any specific needs you may have. Cusco participants may want to discuss medicine that will help curb altitude sickness. The CDC’s recommendations are available here.

More questions? Contact Chris Hicks at Chris@waytolead.org.
Please follow these steps...

Register online at waytolead.org/peru-pilgrimage to save your space. Note: There are four steps to the process:

1. Register online at waytolead.org/peru-pilgrimage and PAY IN FULL by May 31st —You will need your passport number.

2. Select your trip details — The costs for each portion of the trip include in-country flight, housing, some meals, transportation, and the learning experiences.
   
   - **Full trip** (Lima + Excursion to Cusco/Machu Picchu) — $1,995 per person
   - **Cusco / Machu Picchu Only** — $1,600 per person
   - **Lima Only** — $650 per person

3. Payment in full is due on May 31, 2017.

4. Buy your plane ticket to Lima — on your own. If you have any questions about your flight plans, PLEASE CONTACT Chris@waytolead.org BEFORE purchasing.
   
   - **Full trip participants** must arrive in Lima on Thursday, June 29, return to the US departing late on Friday, July 7 or very early in the morning on July 8.
   - If you are on the **Lima Only option**, arrive in Lima on Thursday, June 29, and depart on Monday, July 3.
   - If you are on the **Cusco / Machu Picchu Only option**, you must arrive in Lima by Sunday, July 2, return to the US departing late on Friday, July 7 or early Saturday, July 8.

   Enter your flight information in your registration file or email your flight receipt to Chris@waytolead.org.

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