



Samford University

Parent and Family Engagement

Samford Parents Journey to Greece Footsteps of Paul with Dr. Jeff Leonard

Dates: May 23-June 2, 2026

Hosts:

Dr. Jeff and Michaela Leonard
Dr. Phil and Penny Kimrey
Dr. Charles “Poker” and Julie Boyd

Trip Description:

From the footsteps of Paul to the foundations of Western Civilization, Greece offers a seemingly endless array of destinations to visit. On our 2025 Samford trip to Greece, we will explore some of the most important and most meaningful of these sites. From the biblical cities of Philippi, Thessaloniki, and Corinth to famous locales such as Olympia, Delphi, and Athens, our journey through Greece will be a feast for both heart and mind.

Trip Cost: \$4,800 per person (in doubles); single supplement - TBD

Deposit: Deposit of \$500 per person is required to secure reservations by December 2, 2025.

Second payment: \$2,000 per person, due February 2, 2026.

Final payment: \$2,300 per person due April 2, 2026.

Inclusions: Samford Global Application/Administrative Fees, Accommodations, Breakfast each day, Welcome luncheon and two dinners, Farewell dinner, Entrance fees for all sites on our itinerary; English speaking guides throughout, Modern motorcoach for all in-country travel; Comprehensive Medical Insurance, All gratuity and taxes.

Not included: Airfare, portorage, traveler insurance (see cancellation policy below), lunch and dinner (unless specified in the program)

Airport information: Travelers should secure airfare arriving in Thessaloniki Airport - IATA Code: SKG; and departing from Athens International Airport IATA Code: ATH. More details regarding accommodations will be provided along with a full itinerary by November 1.

CANCELLATION: Your trip promises to be a life-changing experience. It also represents a significant financial investment. Fortunately, options are available for protecting that investment. We strongly urge you to consider purchasing a trip insurance plan to mitigate against uncertainties like job changes, illness, family emergencies, and other unexpected events. Most policies will also provide coverage for items like missed flights, lost luggage, accidents, and illness while you're on the trip. Appropriate trip insurance plans can be purchased from companies like [AIG](#) or [Travelex](#). Plans vary in price according to the amount of coverage, trip cost, and age of participants. Be sure to consider this important step carefully.

EXTENDING YOUR TRIP? Samford is working with Plutone Travel Agency. If you're interested in working with them to arrange additional travel plans, you may contact Carmen Frongillo at carmen.f@plutoneviaggi.it. She is bilingual and fluent in English.

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Links to view Interest Meeting videos:

October 16 Zoom Meeting: [Recording](#)

October 20 Zoom Meeting: [Recording](#)