

1700th Anniversary of the Council of Nicaea Held in 325 in Nicaea -- İznik, Turkey

PROGRAM (June 12-24, 2025)

- June 12 Thu Depart USA – Fly Istanbul
- June 13 Fri Arrive Istanbul – Transfer to Gemlik
- June 14 Sat Drive to Iznik for opening ceremony and Nicaea tour
- June 15 Sun Lectures by professors on 1st and 7th councils
- June 16 Mon Nicomedia with Kocaeli museum; PM drive to Chalcedon and Bosphorus boat tour
- June 17 Tue Lectures by professors on 2nd, 4th, 5th, 6th councils
- June 18 Wed Tour of churches and monasteries; visit to Fener
- June 19 Thu AM flight to Izmir with Ephesus visit to Church and Seven Sleepers; House of Mary
- June 20 Fri Lectures by professors on 3rd council
- June 21 Sat Departures

EXTENSION TOUR

- June 21 Sat Flight to Ankara to visit ancient Ancyra
- June 22 Sun Drive to Cappadocia for tour of churches
- June 23 Mon Cappadocian Fathers tour
- June 24 Tue Departures

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7 ecumenical councils (all in Turkey)

1. Nicaea (325)
2. Constantinople (381)
3. Ephesus (431)
4. Chalcedon (451)
5. Constantinople (553)
6. Constantinople (680-681)
7. Nicaea (787)



► Also Cappadocia, associated with the 4th century church (Caesarea, Nyssa, etc.) and Ancyra (where the 1st council was originally scheduled to be held.

► Arrive on June 14, 2025, the date of Emperor Constantine's arrival.

► SPECIAL MEETING at the Hagia Eirene church in Istanbul, the surviving building most associated with a council (the 2nd)