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*Your Invitation To*

# THE PASSION PLAY OF OBERAMMERGAU 2010

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## Nawas International Travel

Dear Friends,

Every decade the **Passion Play of Oberammergau** draws hundreds of thousands of Christians from around the globe who want to experience the events that played out that fateful week in Jerusalem more than 2000 years ago, events that changed our lives forever.

The world-renowned play following Jesus from his entry into Jerusalem through the Resurrection is presented every ten years in the picturesque town of Oberammergau, Germany. The villagers first performed the play in 1634 in fulfillment of their promise to God for sparing them from the Black Plague.

As *the* leading operator of Christian tours to **Europe** and the **Holy Land**, **NAWAS INTERNATIONAL** invites you to experience the spiritually and emotionally rewarding play **FOR FREE!** All you have to do is sign up people to travel with you...you'll **go free** and we'll take care of all the rest.

With an inspiring array of tours to the **Alpine Countries, Italy, Eastern Europe, the Holy Land** and much more, **NAWAS** continues its 59-year tradition of excellence by offering the largest selection of programs and departures with **guaranteed** tickets to the **Passion Play 2010**. We would also be pleased to custom design an itinerary for your special needs.

Remember that in the year 2010, as in previous performance years, demand for **Passion Play** tickets will far exceed supply. **NAWAS** offers you the experience and reliability of handling tours to six previous **Passion Plays!** In 2000, over 16,000 passengers attended the **Passion Play of Oberammergau** with **NAWAS**. Many other tour hosts, however, dealing with irresponsible or inexperienced travel agents, encountered major problems. Some groups were canceled at the last minute. Others arrived to find they did not have tickets to the Play.

Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see the **Passion Play**. While the year 2010 seems a long way away, **NOW** is the best time to make your travel plans. We invite you to look inside and see which program you want to reserve.

We look forward to planning a memorable tour for you and your friends, one that you will remember forever.

Sincerely,

Soli Nawas  
President

P.S. The Passion Play Committee is already predicting an unprecedented demand for **Oberammergau 2010** tickets. Contact **NAWAS** now to avoid disappointment.





# OUR PERSONAL GUARANTEE

To help you in your promotion, **NAWAS INTERNATIONAL guarantees** you and your congregation tickets to the **Passion Play of Oberammergau 2010** – with **NO MONEY DOWN**. Other companies will ask you to pay thousands of dollars in nonrefundable deposits before they confirm your group.

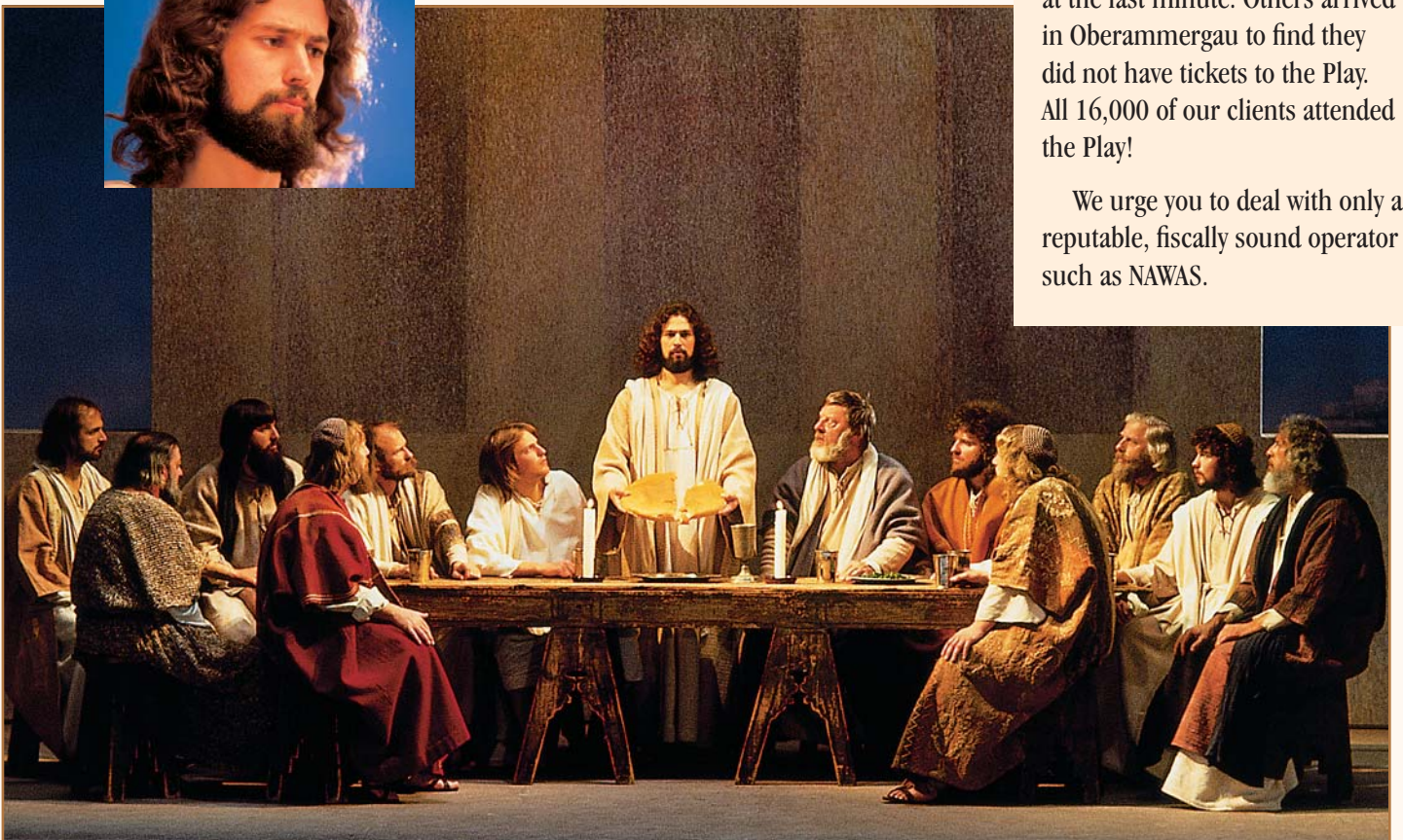
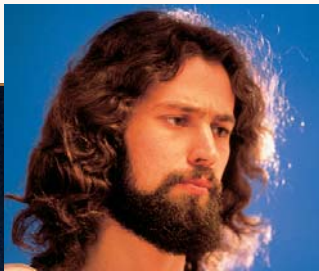
Just select the tour you wish to promote, the number of people you hope to have and your departure date. **NAWAS** will print your personalized promotional brochures **FREE OF CHARGE** (for qualified tour hosts). Of course, this offer is subject to availability, and is on a first come, first served basis. Deposits will be due after you have had time to promote your tour.

When the citizens of Oberammergau perform their Play in the year 2010, they'll be keeping a promise they made over 370 years ago. At **NAWAS INTERNATIONAL**, we will be keeping the promise we've been making to our clients for almost 60 years . . . and that is to guarantee you and your group tickets to the **Passion Play**.

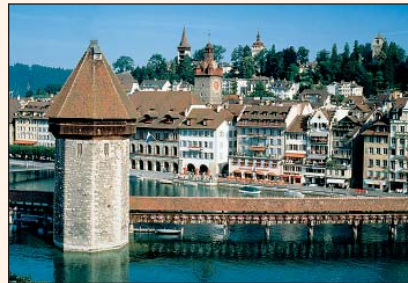
## A WORD OF WARNING

In 2000, when the Play was last performed, many tour hosts, dealing with irresponsible tour companies, encountered major problems because of ticket shortages. Some groups were canceled at the last minute. Others arrived in Oberammergau to find they did not have tickets to the Play. All 16,000 of our clients attended the Play!

We urge you to deal with only a reputable, fiscally sound operator such as **NAWAS**.



# EXPERIENCE the PASSION PLAY of OBERAMMERGAU . . . for FREE! GREAT TOUR HOST BENEFITS!



## 11 DAYS ALPINE EUROPE

Immerse yourself in the beauty of Alpine Europe. Explore the **Rhine Valley** ... visit **Heidelberg** and the lake side city of **Lucerne** ... see Switzerland's spectacular Bernese Oberland ... travel to **Innsbruck** and classical **Salzburg** ... plus **Munich** and medieval **Rothenburg**.

## 9 DAYS SCENIC EUROPE

An enchanting tour through the most picturesque areas of **central Europe**. Highlights include the **Rhine Valley**, **Lucerne**, **Munich**, **Heidelberg**, and **Rothenburg**.

## 9 DAYS HIGHLIGHTS OF EUROPE

On this European sampler you'll visit **Munich**, capital of Bavaria, **Lucerne**, one of Switzerland's most beautiful cities, and unforgettable **Paris**.



## 11 DAYS HEART OF EUROPE

A grand Old World tour ... visit historic **Berlin** ... **Prague**, known as the "city of spires" for its distinctive architecture ... **Munich** ... the Bernese Oberland plus **Lucerne**.

## 9 DAYS LUTHERLAND

Walk in the steps of Martin Luther ... start in **Berlin** ... visit **Leipzig** ... the Castle Church in **Wittenburg** where he nailed his 95 Theses ... see the Luther sites in **Eisleben** and **Erfurt** ... visit Wartburg Castle in **Eisenach** ... plus **Nuremberg** and **Munich**.

## 12 DAYS SPLENDORS OF ITALY & SWITZERLAND

Explore eternal **Rome** ... delight in **Florence's** Renaissance treasures ... visit romantic **Venice** ... savor the Alpine beauty of **Lucerne** and the Bernese Oberland ... plus **Munich** in the heart of Bavaria.



## 11 DAYS SPLENDORS OF EASTERN EUROPE

Tour four of Eastern Europe's most fascinating cities. Visit the "Golden City" of **Prague** ... lively **Budapest** ... **Vienna**, city of music and castles ... and **Munich**, the Bavarian capital.

## 13 DAYS EUROPEAN PANORAMA

From snow-covered Alpine peaks to sparkling lakes and Old World cities, you'll see the best of Central Europe. Highlights are the **Rhine Valley**, **Heidelberg**, **Lucerne**, **Innsbruck**, **Salzburg**, **Vienna**, **Rothenburg** and **Munich**.

## 11 DAYS STEPS OF MARTIN LUTHER

Relive the Reformation Movement on this grand tour of Germany's Luther sites. Visit Wartburg Castle in **Eisenach**, **Eisleben**, the Castle Church in **Wittenburg**, and **Augsburg**, where Luther defended his Theses ... plus stays in **Erfurt**, **Berlin**, **Leipzig**, **Munich** and the lush **Rhine Valley**.



## 11 DAYS CLASSICAL EUROPE

Explore the **Rhine Valley** and **Munich** ... travel on the Romantic Road to medieval **Rothenburg** ... see **Heidelberg** ... tour the picturesque lake cities of **Lucerne** and **Geneva** ... plus **Paris**.

## 11 DAYS BEST OF POLAND WITH PRAGUE

Experience the great Old World cities of Poland ... historic **Warsaw**, the capital ... medieval **Krakow** ... on to beautiful **Prague** and **Munich**.

## 12 DAYS WONDERS OF BRITAIN

Visit ancient **Edinburgh** and gothic **York** ... tour Shakespeare's **Stratford-Upon-Avon** ... see **Oxford** ... stay in exciting **London** and **Munich**.

## 13 DAYS SCANDINAVIAN DISCOVERY

See the best of Norway, Sweden and Denmark. Begin in **Oslo**, gateway to the Norwegian fjords ... cruise the breathtaking Sognefjord ... tour **Stockholm**, the "Venice of the North" ... visit **Copenhagen** with its fairy tale castles. End in **Munich**.

## 11 DAYS GREEK ISLES CRUISE & EUROPE

Begin in **Athens**, the cradle of civilization ... cruise to the isles of **Mykonos**, **Rhodes** and **Patmos** plus **Ephesus** ... visit ancient **Corinth** ... fly to **Munich** and visit **Salzburg**.

## THE HOLY LAND

Journey to the Holy Land for the spiritual experience of a lifetime ... walk where Jesus walked in **Jerusalem** ... cruise the **Sea of Galilee** ... visit **Bethlehem** and the Church of the Nativity ... then travel to **Munich** and **Alpine Europe**.



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# NAWAS SPECIAL TOUR FEATURES

Round-trip air transportation from your hometown.

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## TICKETS TO THE PASSION PLAY.

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Have you promoted a group before?  YES     NO    No. in Group \_\_\_\_\_ Destination \_\_\_\_\_ Year/Month of last tour \_\_\_\_\_

Expected No. of Participants for Oberammergau \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred month of travel \_\_\_\_\_

# The PROMISE

In 1633 the Black Plague rampaged through Europe, killing thousands. For months, the small village of Oberammergau managed to keep the dreaded disease at bay, mainly because of its remote location in the Bavarian Alps. Eventually the epidemic struck the nearby town of Ettal. The people of Oberammergau, however, controlled the spread of the disease by keeping close watch and preventing strangers from entering their village. Alas, late one evening a villager who had been away, homesick for his family, stole back into the town and unknowingly brought the plague to his people. Within a few months 84 villagers had died.

In July 1633 the survivors gathered and made a solemn oath to God: if He spared them from further deaths, they would perform every ten years a day-long play depicting Jesus' death and Resurrection. According to the story passed down through the generations, God heard them and there were no more deaths. In 1634 the townspeople performed their *Passion Play* for the first time. Eventually their vow was adopted by their children and their descendants. To this day, the villagers of Oberammergau have kept their promise virtually unbroken.



# The PLAY

Drawing crowds from all over the world, the *Passion Play of Oberammergau* is a musical drama of epic dimensions. It is staged every 10 years from May to October and renowned as the longest running play in history. The first public performance of the *Passion Play 2010* will be May 15.

The musical drama follows the life of Jesus from the time He entered Jerusalem through the Resurrection. Most of the *Passion Play* is sung opera-style with a full orchestra and chorus providing a rich musical backdrop.

The modern play takes place on an open-air stage with a covered auditorium seating 4,700. With a total cast of one thousand, the play boasts 130 speaking parts and hundreds of smaller parts. To be eligible for a role, the person must have either been born in Oberammergau or lived there 20 years.

The *Passion Play 2010* will be based on the text by Alois Daisenberger and directed by Christian Stückl, who also directed the play in 2000. Markus Zwink returns as Musical Director. Both have deep roots in Oberammergau; it was Zwink's ancestor who in the late 18th century painted the delightful frescoes adorning the buildings and houses throughout the village.

Virtually everyone's life is dominated by the play — more than 2,000 villagers are directly involved, both on and behind the stage. In addition to the performers there are 50 members each in the orchestra and chorus, and many who work as set and costume designers, electricians, stagehands, etc. Still others cater to the thousands of visitors who come to see the play.

All in all, the *Passion Play of Oberammergau* is a day of music, high drama, celebration and reflection that will leave you with renewed faith and affirmation of the importance of Jesus' life and Resurrection.

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See inside for details on Nawas' exciting *Passion Play* programs.

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