

COST: \$ 1,200.00 per person (to EST of Poland) excluding airfare. Trip cost includes lectures, lodging, guides, all in-Poland travel and transfers to and from the airport, meals, pre-trip materials and communication, and cultural events. Trip cost does not include flight, health or trip insurance, shopping, or other personal expenses. Participants will make their own flight arrangements to arrive any time September 2, 2009.

TRIP LEADER: Linda Robinson, who has led a mission study trip to EST/Wroclaw before, will be with the group at all times. Linda and Tom (who is Treasurer for the EST International Board) have been involved in EST since before 1999.

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ABOUT THE EVANGELICAL SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY OF WROCLAW, POLAND:

EST is an interdenominational seminary founded by an American theologian and a Polish minister while Poland was still Communist. It was born eighteen years ago of dreams, personal sacrifices, and a firmly held commitment to teach and train men and women to serve Jesus Christ in Poland, Central Europe, and countries to the East. Graduates from EST are serving Christ in a variety of ministries as pastors, missionaries, workers within Christian organizations, leaders in churches and communities, and as faculty members at EST and other schools. Its present facility, dedicated in 2002, is located in a beautiful 300 year old monastery on an island, walking distance from the university and city square (Rynek) in Wroclaw.

EST "is a successful, well-equipped seminary, situated in a beautiful 18th century building overlooking the river. It is now one of the most promising seminaries in Eastern Europe." (The Source Newsletter; BC, Canada)

More information concerning the Evangelical School of Theology in Wroclaw, Poland, may be obtained from www.ewst.pl/en/

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Consider a
**MISSION STUDY
TRIP TO POLAND**

Wroclaw * Auschwitz * Krakow



Evangelical School of Theology
Wroclaw, Poland
(formerly Breslau, Germany)

SEPTEMBER 2 - 9, 2009

LIMIT OF 23!! REGISTER EARLY!!

SCHEDULE:

Each of the four weekdays of your stay, two morning study sessions will be taught in English by Seminary faculty members. (See "Topics for Study".) Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be arranged at the Seminary. Afternoons will involve sightseeing in Wroclaw and nearby areas related to the morning lectures and discussions, as well as service opportunities within the community and Seminary. Lodging will be in the safe and comfortable Seminary dormitories. A large commons room is available, with Internet services, for group gatherings.



SIDE TRIPS

On Saturday morning, the group will travel to Auschwitz and Birkenau Concentration Camps, approximately 2 1/2 hours by bus from Wroclaw. In mid-afternoon, the group will proceed another hour and a half or so by bus to Krakow, a charmingly beautiful city that served as the royal capital of Poland for centuries. In Krakow, the group will stay in a hotel; tour beautiful 14th century churches and buildings; shop in the oldest "mall" in Europe – Cloth Hall; eat a Polish country dinner; worship at Wawel Cathedral, the former home of Pope John Paul when he was archbishop there; visit the Jewish Quarters, including the High Synagogue; tour Wawel Castle and visit Schindler's Factory in the ghetto area. We will return to Wroclaw Sunday evening.

TOPICS FOR STUDY:

- The Life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer (Wroclaw was Bonhoeffer's Birthplace and the Seminary Co-hosted the 2006 Bonhoeffer International Conference)
- EST: The mission of a Protestant Seminary in the heart of Poland
- The History of Protestantism through the Eyes of Polish History
- Current Trends in International Missions
- Teaching and ministering in a context of visual culture
- Protestant and Catholic Relations
- God's Call to Service and Our Response



WHO SHOULD GO?

- Anyone interested in serving God and seeing God's work in the world.
- Anyone from a church that is considering sending a group on a similar trip.
- Anyone from a church too small to host international mission trips.
- Anyone desiring to build faith relationships with God's people from other cities, churches, denominations and countries.

COMMENTS FROM PAST PARTICIPANTS:

"I feel very blessed to have been a part of this trip. The dynamics of our diverse group living and working and learning together was a beautiful process to behold and to be a part of. And as for our new friends in Wroclaw....Wow! They continue to inspire me and challenge me in the way I approach what's going on in the world, both locally and globally, and also in how I too might share the Gospel."

"My head is still spinning from Poland - it was such a fantastic trip. I've been on numerous mission trips and I've never been so changed as I am now with Poland. The people there are so filled with God's love - they just overflow. That is the essence of our trip- good surprises. It was all I had hoped for and then some."

"The value of the specific Poland week (including the weekend side trips to Auschwitz, Krakow, and the AM lectures each day) seemed to be the common threads of healing, reconciliation, and joy found through profound faith."

"Often I think as Christians we tend to believe we are all "grown up" - That our own understandings are THE measure for faith. One of the instructors talked about that concept and referenced an old Polish saying, "We should not think that we are the belly button of the world!"

"Just as in our professions we seek continued education, our faith and theological thinking benefits from these sorts of exchanges. We come back a bit wiser for the wear."

"Impressed and surprised!!"