

Kavala NEAPOLIS CHRISTOUPOLIS

Heritage of Pilgrimage



Philippi a UNESCO World Heritage Site

Philippi is a unique case of an intact archaeological site with exceptionally preserved monuments and long-term development prospects.

“Διαβὰς εἰς Μακεδονίαν βοήθησον ἡμῖν”

(Πράξ. 16:8-10)

«⁸ so they passed by Mysia and went down to Troas. ⁹ During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” ¹⁰ After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.» (Acts. 16:8-10)

«⁸ παρελθόντες δὲ τὴν Μυσίαν κατέβησαν εἰς Τρωάδα. ⁹ καὶ ὄραμα διὰ τῆς νυκτὸς ὡφθῆναι τῷ Παύλῳ· ἄνθρωπος ἦν Μακεδὼν ἐστὼς, παρακαλῶν αὐτὸν καὶ λέγων· Διαβὰς εἰς Μακεδονίαν βοήθησον ἡμῖν. ¹⁰ ὥς δὲ τὸ ὄραμα εἶδεν, εὐθέως ἐζητήσαμεν ἔξελθεῖν εἰς τὴν Μακεδονίαν, συμβιβάζοντες ὅτι προσκέκληται ἡμᾶς ὁ Κύριος εὐαγγελίσασθαι αὐτούς.» (Πράξ. 16:8-10)

Monasteries

OF KAVALA REGION

In the region around Kavala, on Mount Pangaion, on the mountains of Lekani and on the island of Thassos, scattered monasteries form the picture of an endless pilgrimage.



The Holy Monastery of St. Silas on the heights of Kavala, the imposing Monastery of Holy Mary Eikosifoinissa on Mount Pangaion, the famous monastery of the Transfiguration of Christ at Nikites and the Monasteries of the Archangel and of the Assumption of Mary on the island of Thassos, are some points of religious interest worth being visited by pilgrims.



Mount Athos

Autonomous Monastic State, Centre of Orthodox Christian Worship and a World Heritage Site.

The port of Ouranoupoli, just two hours away from Kavala, serves as the main gateway to the Holy Mount Athos. From there, one can go on day cruises along the coast throughout the summer season.

The "Garden of Virgin Mary", as Mount Athos is called, consists of twenty Holy Monasteries, which have a number of sketes and cells.

NEAPOLIS-PHILIPPI

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF APOSTLE PAUL

In 49 AD, Apostle Paul and his companions departed from Troy to travel to Macedonia, where the Lord asked them to give His good tidings...

Neapolis (modern-day Kavala) and Philippi became the gateway to Christianity in Europe and the western world.

From Neapolis they walked to the mountain chain of Symvolos, travelling along Via Egnatia to the market of the famous city of Philippi. During their stay at Philippi, the first Christian, Lydia, was baptized in the river Zygaktis and the first church on European soil was founded at the site.

This fact has been confirmed by the New Testament and is reflected in the preserved early Christian monuments, which are places of worship of the Apostolic Church of Philippi (Monument of St. Paul, St. Lydia Baptistery, etc.).



In Kavala, ancient Neapolis and Philippi, where the gospel of Christ was taught in Europe for the first time, worshippers can experience the greatness of faith, following the route of **the Apostle of Nations**.



THE HOLY PILGRIMAGE CHURCH

St. Gregory

IN NEA KARVALI KAVALA



In Nea Karvali, just outside Kavala, the holy relics of St. Gregory the Theologian lay buried, having been transferred there from Cappadocia in 1924.

The feast day of the great father and hierarch of the Church, St. Gregory the Theologian, is celebrated every year on January 25th, a special event that attracts many pilgrims from all over Greece to the holy church of the same name.





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Holy Pilgrimage Saint Grigoriou

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Holy Pilgrimage Saint Lydias Filippisias Baptistery

Address: Lydia, Kavala, T. +30 2510 - 516944

Monastery of Saint Silas the Apostle

Address: Kavala, T. +30 2510 - 242511

Municipality of Thassos

Monastery of the Assumption of Mary, Maries, Thassos (Panagouda)

Address: Maries, Thassos, T. +30 25930-51394

Monastery of Archangelos Mihail

Address: Theologos, Thassos, T. +30 25930- 31500

Municipality of Pangaion

Monastery of Saint Panteleimonos

Address: Chrysokastro, Eleftheroupoli, T. +30 25920-51449

Monastery of Saint Demetrios

Address: Nikisiani, Pangaion, T. +30 25920- 61215

Monastery of the Dormition "Pangaiotissis"

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Monastery of John the Baptist

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Monastery Eikosifoinissa

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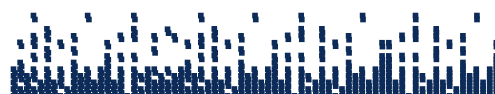
Municipality of Nestos

Monastery of Metamorphoseos Sotiros

Address: Nikites, Chrysoupoli, T. +30 2591054236

Archaeological Museum of Philippi

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