

Spiritual Traditions: Aboriginal and Catholic - WYD Sydney

Pope Benedict XVI invites young people from around the world to meet in Sydney, Australia for World Youth Day 2008. The theme of this gathering is: "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses." (Acts 1:8) Catholic young people will meet from July 15-20, 2008 to learn about their faith tradition, to develop skills for living out their faith in the modern world, and to pray with one another.

One of the most powerful and moving aspects of WYD is that young people will meet people from different cultures, languages and regions of the world. This cross-cultural experience inspires young people to become citizens of the world and to recognize that they are part of a global faith community. We delight in being able to collaborate with pastoral leaders in fostering faith and encouraging young people to live compassionate and respectful lives as witnesses of God's love.

Program Highlights

We journey to WYD as people of spirituality. Since the beginning of time, human beings have developed resources for connecting with the sacred, for being in relationship with God, and for living lives of meaning, faith, hope and compassion/love. We journey to WYD as people with a distinctive and unique spiritual heritage – but one also resonates with common human spiritual perspectives. Travel to northern Australian aboriginal sites enables young people to learn about other spiritual traditions, to become more compassionate about other religions, and to value their own traditions. Our program includes:

- Flight arrangements from Sydney to Darwin
- Accommodations in Darwin (and 2 nights in campsite)
- Breakfasts, 3 dinners, 2 lunches
- Aboriginal program and visit to Kakadu National Park
- + all inclusive features of our Power of the Holy Spirit Program in Sydney (see separate concept piece)

All illume WYD Programs Include: access to an electronic web-based travel resource center designed exclusively for your participants, designated WYD program manager in the USA, and one free-of-charge for every ten paid participants.

Program prices begin at \$4095 per participant.

Program Enhancing Options for Power of the Holy Spirit Program in Sydney

Illume invites you to consider enhancing the investment made in the faith-formation, transformation and cross-cultural experience of young adults. Through travel to Sydney, participants will gain an appreciation of Australia's history and the unique resources and perspectives of its peoples and land. These options include:

- Guided visits to historical and cultural sites in Sydney
- Excursions to nearby National Parks and heritage sites
- Hotel and meal upgrades
- Touring extensions before or after the WYD Program

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Illume brings people to experience important places around the world where significant change in human history inspires significant transformation in the individuals and groups that we guide. Illume experts offer travel experiences that foster global community, cultural respect, stewardship of world heritage and inspire respectful and compassionate ways of life. We delight in the idea that we are all citizens of the world. We invite you to join our global community of family and friends and experience the difference travel can make in transforming your perspective.