

## Why Rome? Why Berlin?

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**Dr. Walter Sundberg**

500 years ago in 1517, Martin Luther posted 95 ideas (theses) for debate on the door of a church in a small town in Germany. In 2017, the western world is celebrating the impact that this man and this event has had on 500 years of church and world history.

Our Reformation discovery begins and ends in the two cities that deepen our understanding of Luther and his actions.

Rome in the 16th Century was the heart of the papacy and the religious tradition which had lost most of its spiritual core.

Berlin in the 20th Century was the capital of the German empire that launched two failed wars and under communism endured a divided nation until 1989.

Bankrupt spiritual and moral worlds at the beginning and the end of our tour help us to understand spiritual renewal as a necessity to a thriving social culture.

Our teacher, Dr. Walter Sundberg, will help us discover in Italy the elements that created the climate for the Reformation. He will also help us dig more deeply into its core impact as a work of God as we view the sites in Germany. Then as we explore Berlin, he will help us understand the causes that led to the tragic 20th Century for the German nation and its culture.

The implications of these insights for our time as Americans will be a part of our conversation as we experience this tour together.

In the midst of all this education, "Martin and Katy Luther" (played by Johan and Sonja) will be offering humorous and insightful dramas along the way.

Join us for the Reformation Anniversary Tour and the learning experience of a lifetime.

**~Your Tour Hosts, Martin and Katy Luther aka Johan and Sonja Hinderlie~**