Early Wednesday morning, we will begin our tour up I-77 and I-81 to Gettysburg. Our first stop is at Sharpsburg, MD where we study the bloodiest one-day battle in American History. At this Antietam Creek battle, we’ll walk the same land, trudge the “sunken road” and cross the famous Burnside Bridge (pictured, right) which marks lessons of courage for us to learn today.

We’ll continue to Gettysburg and study each day of the three-day battle. We’ll arrive on the Chambersburg Pike—the same road that Lee’s troops used as they approached Gettysburg on June 30, 1863. We begin by visiting the key spots marking the battle’s first day—the Lutheran Seminary, McPherson’s Ridge, Oak Hill before concluding with Dr. Reeder leading us in a study of Biblical leadership. On Thursday, we visit the critical topography of the second day---Devil’s Den, Little Round Top (pictured, left) and the Peach Orchard. The personal stories of leadership and courage are highlighted. In the afternoon, we will study the battle’s third day focusing on the “Pickett-Pettigrew-Trimble Charge.” We’ll walk across the actual route of Picket’s Division and see and feel what the men faced as they marched across the mile-long open field. This three-day battle had the most casualties of any single engagement in our history. We conclude the outdoor portion of our Gettysburg visit to the National Cemetery where Lincoln, in November of 1863, gave his “Gettysburg Address. We finish our day with a buffet and Forum on leadership. We conclude the first day with Harry Reeder leading us in a study of Biblical leadership.
On Friday, we bus to Manassas, VA to study both the First and Second Battles of Manassas (Bull Run). First Manassas or Bull Run, is where General Bee said, “There stands Jackson like a stone wall.” While in the area, we will visit the Second Battle of Manassas battlefield and highlight Jackson’s leadership and courage. We continue to Appomattox Court House and visit the site of the surrender, the McLean House (pictured, right) and the Surrender Triangle. Dr. Reeder will provide insights about the character of both Lee and Chamberlain as their character was revealed at Appomattox. We return to Charlotte about 10 PM.

Dr. Reeder’s teaching a commentary both on the bus, at the sites and the nightly Forums is further supplemented by videos on various leaders and battles.

If you have questions, send an e-mail to cct@rts.edu or call Luther Bigby at 704 688-4234 (leave voice mail)

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Robert E. Lee

Read on for Registration Form and additional information:

The cost of the tour covers deluxe bus transportation from Charlotte, hotel breakfasts, all lunches, one dinner, all entry fees, and two nights at the same modern motel. We limit the number to forty-four participants

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CIRCLE TOUR SELECTION FROM CHOICES SHOWN BELOW:

Tour #1: Gettysburg, Antietam, First and Second Manassas, Appomattox
Wednesday, June 16 thru Friday, June 18, 2010
Share a double room ($450)                Single Room ($520)

Tour #2: Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Salem Church, Wilderness, Spotsylvania, Guiney Station
Richmond, Petersburg, Blandford Church
Wednesday, September 15 thru Friday, September 17, 2010
Share a double room ($390)                Single Room ($475)

Tour #3: Jackson and the Valley, Winchester, Kernstown, Front Royal, Cross Keys, Port Republic, Lexington
Wednesday, October 20 thru Friday, October 22, 2010
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