

IDC intercultural trip to Turkey took place between July 17-27th 2011. The group had the opportunity to see many historical sites as well as get to know the Turkish culture very closely. In addition to visiting important sites like Hagia Sophia, Ephesus, Blue Mosque, House of Virgin Mary, underground city and carved chapels in Cappadocia, the group enjoyed dinners with local families. The group also visited a newspaper, a dialogue foundation, a university and a private school in Turkey. The cities that were visited on the trip were Istanbul, Izmir, Konya, Antalya, Cappadocia and Ankara.

The group included a state senator, an assemblyman and academics.

Pictures from the Trip:



Aspendos Theatre, Antalya



Our group had a meeting with minister of Family and Social Policy Ms. Fatma Sahin



## Zaman Newspaper





visiting Mevlana University in Konya



Cappodocia



Samanyolu High School, Ankara



Archeological Museum, Istanbul





Pottery Shop



Istanbul View from Pier Loti Hill



Our group had a dinner with a family in Cappadocia





Cappadocia



Our group of Budget Committee members with Congressman Lutfi Elvan. Congressman Elvan is





Archaeological Museum, Istanbul



MiniaTurk Park



Ottoman Army Band (Mehteran)



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