## PREPARATION FOR THE PILGRIMAGE

Please read these planning steps, ask if you have questions or concerns, and complete all tasks two weeks before we depart.

- 1. Be sure your passport is up-to-date and send a copy to Office of Mission and Ministry. One copy will be left with our US contact; and the pilgrimage moderator will carry another.
- 2. Keep a copy of your passport and plan to carry it with you on the trip in a separate place from your passport.
- 3. Complete the emergency contact form sent to you via email. Copies of these will also be left with US contact and carried by trip moderator.
- 4. Complete all University Waiver Forms (Travel and Photo). These are on the Pellegrinaggio website.
- 5. Verify health and property coverage with your insurance companies and be familiar with any expectations and limitations of these policies.
- 6. Make any special arrangements with your credit card companies if you intend to use credit cards while on the trip.
- 7. Familiarize yourselves with State Department travel information (see "Useful Links" on the website).
- 8. Communicate the final itinerary to family and/or friends and provide them with information on how to contact you in Italy.
- 9. Pack one carry-on bag in case bags are lost or delayed.
- 10. Carry two picture IDs in separate places during the pilgrimage.
- 11. Always carry the itinerary with group and local phone numbers.
- 12. Always carry contact numbers for the US Embassy in Italy.
- 13. If you have medication, carry it with you on the plane and if possible, bring a copy of your prescription.