

GENERAL INFORMATION NZ

Basic Required Information



NAU MAI HAERE KI AOTEAROA Welcome To New Zealand!

We are very excited with the possibility of hosting your team in the near future! We are located in a city called Tauranga that is located in the North Island of New Zealand. Here are some of the general things that will help you get your team prepared to come here!

When you arrive in the nation, we ask that each team would spend at least three days with us here in Tauranga. We want to welcome you into the broader family here as well as the storyline of what we believe God is doing in our nation.

Weather

It is important to note that New Zealand is in the Southern Hemisphere of the world! You are going to have to think opposite seasons when you arrive here in NZ. (Winter in the Northern Hemisphere is Summer here.. etc) In the summer, it can be pretty warm where you can wear

shorts and a t-shirt, but you will have to bundle up in the fall & winter months! It will get below freezing in certain places of NZ so please plan accordingly!

Ministry

Here in Tauranga, New Zealand, to hear and obey the Lord is a core value that we highly esteem! Therefore, as you prepare to come to New Zealand, we desire that we would hear the Lord together on what His highest purposes are for your team. This will directly affect the other areas of how we will be able to serve you as well.

If you are coming to serve in Activate: Love, then we are extremely happy to host you in April of 2015 for the Gathering! You should expect another document specific for Activate:Love. The number of teams we are hosting during your time here will directly affect the details of your

stay so we will have to answer those individually!

Flights

All international flights will fly through Auckland. Depending on where you will be based will determine if you should choose your final destination elsewhere from Auckland. If you are making Tauranga your arrival destination, there is a local airport available for you here in the city.

If you decide to rent cars through Auckland, you can certainly fly into Auckland and drive from Auckland to Tauranga. It is approximately a 2.5-hour drive from Auckland to Tauranga depending on traffic.

"But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him."

Hebrews 11:6

Finances

Once again, this category depends on several factors of your stay in New Zealand. Your location in the country, mobility and team size are only a few of those factors that will account for how you prepare financially in your budget. Here is one example that a team used here that you may find resourceful as you come. This team was mobile, but did not have quite enough finances towards the end.

Meals: \$10-\$12 USD

Transportation: \$7-\$8 USD

Accommodation: \$13-\$15 USD

Withdrawing Money

Charles Schwab banks will allow you to pull money with no excess charge in New Zealand. So if you are able to get your team funds in a Charles Schwab account we would recommend this as a viable option for your outreach bank account. The ATM's will give you the best rates so this is where you would want to pull money. Bank of America will charge \$2 plus a 3% fee of what you withdraw which is still a great way to withdraw money if this is what you have.

Visas

As the law changes over time, please take some time and review the latest on visas on this website provided by the government!

<http://www.immigration.govt.nz/migrant/stream/visit/>

Since you are staying upwards of 2 months for the duration of your outreach, some of your team will qualify for a visa-waiver. This means that you do not have to apply for a visa online prior to arrival in NZ. Here is the current list of visa-waiver countries:

Andorra, Argentina, Austria, Bahrain, Belgium, Brazil, Brunei, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany,

Greece, Hong Kong, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, South Korea, Kuwait, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macao, Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Oman, Poland, Portugal.

****On your arrival card, please write down the following information****

Host name: Ceri Hewitt

Address: 79 Moffat Rd, Tauranga, New Zealand

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Car Rentals

Car rentals unfortunately do not come cheap here in New Zealand. They can vary but average around 20-40 NZD a day for car rentals.

Previous teams have found this to be the best place, and here is his email address for the rental car. He is located close to Auckland.

manukau@rentadent.co.nz

Here are some other car rental companies we found on Google:

<https://www.thrifty.co.nz/>

<http://www.budget.co.nz/default.aspx>

<http://www.nzrentacar.co.nz/>

<http://www.europcar.co.nz/>

<http://www.jucy.co.nz/>

We are excited for your team to arrive in Tauranga! As the Lord continues to speak to your team about your team in New Zealand, dream big!!! The possibilities are endless and you will quickly find out that as you land in the nation, you are entering into a greater level of faith for a move of God. We truly believe that we are on the verge of a move of God in this nation and you are part of that story!

