

Short-Term Visitors Information

Please read the following info sheet carefully

- For Single Entry Visa - Please make sure you have a minimum of six months left on your Passport before expiry.
- For Multiple Entry Visa (if this option is available in your country) – Please make sure you have a minimum of 18 months left on your Passport before expiry.
- Indonesia is very strict about immigration. Even if your Passport is short 1 day, you run the risk of being refused entry.

Visa (for ASEAN visitors)

No visas needed. All you need is your passport. You are allowed 30 days per entry.

Visa (for non-ASEAN visitors)

A Single Entry Visitors Visa can be purchased at the Indonesian border (Entikong) if you enter from Kuching, Malaysia. The cost of a visa is US\$25 for 30 days. Please make sure the notes are reasonably new (not crumpled and worn). If you do not have US\$ you can pay in Malaysian Ringgit.

Please Note: Your passport must be valid for at least 6 (six) months from the date of entry into Indonesia. If you are coming on a Single Entry Visa and are staying longer than 60 days, you will require additional funds for a return trip to the border and an additional USD \$25 for each 30 days that you are required to renew your visa.

A Multiple Entry Visitors Visa can be purchased in some countries only. These Visas are best applied for if you are intending to stay longer than 3 months (90days), and will be travelling across the Malaysian/Indonesian border more than once every 60 days.

Please note: Your passport must be valid at least 18 (eighteen) months from the date of first entry into Indonesia.

For NZ Multiple Entry Visitors Visa info see:

http://www.kemlu.go.id/wellington/Documents/Form%20Consular%20Service/visaForms_01022010.pdf

If you are coming for longer than 60 days a “One year Multiple Entry Tourist Visa” is available in some countries. Please check with the Indonesian Embassy website in your country.

Accommodation and Transport Costs

There is a small cost for return transportation per person to Mt Hope from the Entikong border or to a village church. This covers to cover staff & petrol costs - approx \$6 NZ, USD\$ 4, Rp 40,000. If a receipt is required please see our Training Centre office staff.

The Training Centre is a faith ministry and we welcome visitors. There is no charge for accommodation and food at Mt Hope but if you wish, you can make a love gift to help cover expenses. You can, designate your gift to a particular need if you choose: children, staff, operations or development.

Please Note:

If you prefer to eat a western style breakfast we have a few items for sale in our canteen such as cornflakes, rolled oats, milk powder, soy milk, bread, jam & margarine. You are also able to purchase washing powder in small quantities from our canteen. There is a Mini Market & fruit & vege stalls at the local town if you require additional food & toiletries etc. These shops are approx 10 min walking distance.

If you have allergies to certain foods please advise us upon application. We can then let you know if we are able to accommodate this or if you will need to bring some items with you.

Travel Details

The closest airport to us is in Kuching, Malaysia. If flying internationally you can go through Singapore, Kuala Lumpur or Brunei.

If arriving in Kuching after 2.30pm you will need to stay in Kuching overnight as the Entikong border closes at 5pm (Malaysian time). If you are booked into paid accommodation in Kuching, taxis are easy to hire at the airport and are a set price of approx MYR25. We have friends in Kuching who can pick you up from the airport if they are not travelling out of the area and they do accommodate some of our visitors at times.

The hire of 9 seater van costs MYR150 to the Entikong border. We will arrange this once your flights are booked. (Cost is per van, not per person, and you will need to have the payment in cash for the van driver). Pick up can be from your accommodation or from the airport.

A staff member from Mount Hope will meet you at the Malaysian area of the Entikong border and transport you to Mount Hope. The trip is approx 30 mins.

Things to bring

Clothes – see below

- Dressy sandals for church and school & rubber jandals/thongs/flip-flops/sandals
- Water bottle
- Sunhat/cap
- Sunscreen & insect repellent (high concentration of DEET – Bushmans brand is great)
- Torch & spare batteries
- Towel/flannel
- Personal items & toiletries
- Malaria tablets
- Any favourite food items
- Personal medication
- Fold-up umbrella

Clothing

The temperature ranges from 28-42 degrees Celsius+ & day time heat can be very humid, therefore cotton or cotton blends are the coolest clothes.

Shoes: Jandals/thongs/flip-flops, sandals or slip on shoes are convenient. Sandshoes may be useful if visiting villages and you need to walk some distance.

Females

- Short sleeve blouse/shirts and/or T-shirts. Shoulders must be covered
- Knee length shorts or ¾ pants
- Trousers/dress pants
- Skirt/Dress – to the knee or longer. At least one dress/skirt is needed for church and formal occasions and a dressy top
- Light weight jacket/sweater
- Personal sanitary items

Males

- Short sleeve shirts and/or T-shirts
- Knee length shorts or ¾ pants
- Trousers/slacks – at least one pair of trousers/slacks is needed for church and formal occasions & a good shirt (not cargo pants or jeans)
- Short-sleeved shirt with a collar
- Light weight jacket/sweater

General note about clothing

The local dress code is fairly conservative and visitors are expected to honour this. Shorts are worn at the centre most of the time. Trousers/skirts are used for church, meetings or teaching in schools.

In Indonesia, any meetings (i.e. church and any gatherings, seminars, etc) semi formal dress is expected. These happen regularly, so please be prepared. This means men need long trousers and a shirt, ladies require trousers ¾ pants, skirt and top or dress. While at the Centre, no shorts or skirts are worn above the knee. Tops and bottoms must meet at the waist and still meet when you raise your arms.

Females: No singlet or spaghetti strap style tops to be worn outside your accommodation.

Mosquitoes are common in the early morning and in the evening. Having a long sleeved shirt or jacket can be useful at times and also used for when the weather is a little cooler. (Please remember to bring insect repellent with 80% DEET). Although it is hot, light weight trousers are very convenient and worn often.

Vaccinations

It is advisable to have these immunisations current:

- Tetanus, polio, hepatitis A & B
- Malaria – medication can be taken for the duration of your stay but it is also acceptable to bring the medication with you and use it only if malaria symptoms are evident. Consult your doctor for the best advice.

Miscellaneous

Indonesian Currency

Your money can be exchanged at the airport (Kuching, Kuala Lumpur or Singapore) or at a money changer in Kuching into Indonesian Rupiah. Malaysian Ringgit only, can be changed at the money changer in our town for a competitive rate.

Mobile Phones

There are mobile phone services in the area that operate using SIM cards (i.e.: Vodafone type).

You can either get your service provider in your home country to connect you with International Roaming, or purchase an Indonesian SIM card here. The set-up cost is approximately RP 15,000 (\$3 NZ) and RP 50,000 for recharge cards. SMS (texts) cost approximately 6 cents each using the local service.

Internet

Wireless internet is available at Mount Hope. It is approx RP 35,000 per month or RP 10,000 per week. Please see the office for this service.

Smoking and Alcohol

Smoking or alcohol consumption **strictly not allowed** on the premises. If you have a concern regarding this please contact us to discuss it prior to your visit.

We Trust that this information will be helpful in planning your visit. If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact us