

# CHCA Intercession 2020

January 6-17, 2020

Course Description for: *New Zealand Experience*

Instructor(s): <b>Kevin Salkil, Stephen Carter, female TBD</b>	
Course Type: <b>International</b>	Service Hours: <b>0</b>
Maximum enrollment: <b>24</b>	Minimum enrollment: <b>20</b>
Length of trip (if applicable): <b>13 days</b>	<b>12 nights</b>
<b>Cost:</b>	\$ 3900

**Overview:** This trip will provide students with the opportunity to experience New Zealand through an all-immersive trip that will take students all over the southern island and allow them to participate in a range of activities to truly get a taste of what the country has to offer. The trip will last 13 days so that participants will be able to fully experience the country in a variety of ways.

- Course Goals:**
- Immerse in a foreign culture without the burden of a large tour company and groups of excessive size
  - Experience nature in a series of fundamental encounters
  - Witness the sheer beauty of God's creation and develop a desire to protect this creation
  - Learn methods to bring about a fulfilling, robust, healthy lifestyle
  - Develop an appreciation for leave no trace principles

## Description:

We will fly into Christchurch, New Zealand, and immediately begin our exploration of the southern island. First we will drive to the northern tip of the island and kayak in the waters north of Pegasus Bay. Then we will travel along the western coast taking in the breathtaking scenery and landscapes before arriving at the Franz Josef Glacier where we will participate in a glacier hike. From there we will journey to the famous town of Queenstown to partake in a wide variety of amazing activities from riding a Gondola to the top of Bob's peak in order to take in a panoramic view of the surrounding mountains before mountain biking down a number of trails. The trip will conclude with the ultimate alpine adventure in New Zealand—the Routeburn Track, where we will take a three-day trek past Earland Falls to take in spectacular views of the Hollyford Valley and Darren Mountains all while staying in beautiful hiking huts along the route. The conclusion of the trip will bring us back to Christchurch to return home with memories to last a lifetime. The trip will be full to the brim with adventure and each day will bring activities that are designed to capture the immense awe of New Zealand while furnishing an appreciation of the beauty of God's natural world.

**This course is well suited to:** Students who enjoy life and want to experience it to the fullest—we will be outside developing a thirst for nature in a location whose beauty is indescribable.

**Cost:** \$ 3900

**Additional costs:** Meals at the airports, passport fees if applicable, money for souvenirs.

## Other Information:

Please note that this course offers a once-in-a-lifetime experience and will be unforgettable.

International travel - Students will need a passport for International travel. Passports cannot expire before July 18, 2020.