

# Arrival in Vanuatu – Basic Details

## Location of LifeChanger Christian College

- The school property is at Prima (pronounced Preema), on the right-hand side of the main road going to Mele Village from the airport or city.
- The collection of cream coloured buildings can't be missed and most locals know it well.

## Passport and Visa

- Make sure your passport is current, with 6 months left before it expires.
- Make sure the name on your ticket matches the one on your passport, First and Surname/Family Name the right way around.
- No visa requirement.

## Arrival Questions

- Write **Tourist** on your arrival document.
- Your address in Vanuatu will be LifeChanger CC, Mele Rd, Prima.

## Change Cash to Vanuatu Currency (Vatu)

- Change AUD to local currency just near the baggage pickup at FOREX.
- There are ATM machines in the city that take Cirrus and Maestro etc. but it can be very time consuming getting there and lining up.
- Take cash (in AUD) if you're comfortable carrying it.

## Local Sim Card

If you'd like one for local calls, you can get a SIM just near baggage pickup. 'TVL' network, cost is 1000 vatu (about \$12). You can add data at extra cost at the counter.

## Internet & Phoning Australia

There is 3<sup>rd</sup> world internet speed in Vanuatu. We suggest you get a SIM card on arrival and use the data. A VOIP phone cost-free to Australia landlines is also available at our accommodation in Prima (where you'll be staying).

## Pick Up from The Airport

Normally it's "Maxie" (Pastor John Tuprick). Or someone else – whatever the case, you'll be picked up!

## Questions When You Get to LifeChanger

Ask Michelle, Maxie's wife. Always go to Michelle first about everything, until you get used to who is in charge of different things at the site.

## Accommodation Costs at The School

Normally \$35 per person per day if you stay at the school, including all meals purchased for you (and cooked sometimes - by arrangement only). Please pay Michelle in cash, in AUD or the equivalent in Vatu if you haven't paid into the Australian account prior to your arrival.

## Transport Around

We have trucks which go to town frequently. You can hop on the back in the tray, or catch a "taxi" (minibus) out on the main road for 150 vatu per trip (about \$1.80).

## Doctors and Medical Emergencies in Vila

The Medical Centre. Dr Julie Bador  
Main road opposite Waterfront Restaurant  
Ph: 22826 or 23065  
Open Monday to Saturday morning  
24/7 home visits  
Standard consultation fee is 5,200 Vatu

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