

# Capernwray Harbour Bible School

## One Year Programme 2026/27

### Information for USA and International Students

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# 1. Study Permit

All non-Canadian students must obtain a Study Permit in order to attend the One Year Programme of Bible School at Capernwray Harbour Bible Centre. If attending only one semester, a Study Permit is not necessary.

Study Permit applications require a Provincial Attestation Letter (PAL) from the province of British Columbia. Information regarding this process, as well as guidance for filling out the Study Permit application, will be provided from the Admissions Department directly. **The Admissions Department will issue your PAL after the $1,500CAD deposit is paid and the emailed Passport Details document is completed and returned to the Office.**

Begin an application for your Study Permit through the Canadian Citizenship and Immigration website: www.cic.gc.ca promptly after acceptance to ensure adequate processing time. *Please send us a copy of your completed application as well as supporting documents for review before submitting; a measure to assist in a successful outcome.*

**The application processing time varies depending upon country and time of year. Please check here for current processing time.**

**A Canadian Study Permit costs $150CAD (*if biometrics are required, an additional $85CAD fee applies.)***

Please reach out to the Admissions Department should you need assistance in the details.

# 2. Fees

**A. JULY 2, 2026** – The Capernwray Harbour Office will be open. The $1,500CAD non-refundable deposit is due to secure your place in Bible School, if it has not already been required. Please refer to section 'C. Payment Methods' for how to pay your deposit.

**B. SEPTEMBER 18, 2026** - The balance of $20,000CAD tuition is due. Refer to your acceptance letter regarding which Payment Plan Option you chose.

Bring to Registration the names (first, middle initial, & last) and addresses of all individuals to be tax receipted for Tuition payments (including for the deposit payment, if changes are necessary).

**We recommend that you consider making tuition payments in advance of Registration Day in order to help your arrival process go as smoothly as possible.** We are pleased to offer a variety of tuition payment methods to assist students. These methods are noted in the following section.

## C. PAYMENT METHODS

The following payment methods may be used for your deposit or other tuition payments before or at Registration:

**Credit Card** (Visa, Visa-Debit, MasterCard or American Express):

- Online credit card payment for tuition deposit: Deposit Payment by Credit Card
- Online credit card payment for general tuition payments: General Tuition Payments by Credit Card
  *(this link can also be shared with those who would like to financially contribute towards your Bible School tuition)*
- Credit card payment by phone: Please call our Office with your credit card details

***Note:*** *when using credit card payment the currency exchange is determined and processed by your credit card*

**"Wise"** (online international money transfer):

- Wise transfer for tuition deposit: Deposit Payment by Wise
- Wise transfer for general tuition payments: General Tuition Payments by Wise
- If you prefer to send an **international wire transfer** directly through your home bank, please contact our Office by phone for our bank account information, however, we recommend using a Wise account for the lowest fees and easiest process (see wise.com for information on setting up and using a Wise account)

At Registration:

- **CAD cash** may be used at Registration, in addition to the above payment methods
- ***Important****: Please ensure you are aware of your* ***daily/monthly transaction limits*** *on credit cards so there will not be any surprises at Registration - it is recommended that you advise your credit card company ahead of time of the amount that will be processed, specifically on Registration Day*

## D. INCLUDED IN TUITION

All study tools and books are included in the total tuition cost. Students will receive these on Registration Day, including a paperback NASB Bible. Each student will also receive a yearbook at the end of the year.

# 3. Additional Expenses

## A. BUDGET

A suggested budget for spending money is approximately $200 - $250CAD per month for Bible School. This would be to cover expenses such as ferry tickets, laundry, personal toiletries, personal entertainment, etc. However, this can vary depending upon personal choices made with personal time. If bringing a personal vehicle to Bible School, please note this can result in a significant increase in monthly expenses.

## B. OUTDOOR VENTURE WEEKENDS



There will be optional outdoor "Venture" trips during the first 3 weekends following Registration. Each student will have the opportunity to sign up for one venture on a 'first-come, first-served basis' at Registration. Venture trips will be further explained, chosen and paid for on Registration Day. Please refer to the emailed pamphlet for descriptions.

**Cost: $350 plus GST = $374.50**

## C. MEDICAL INSURANCE

**All students are required to have medical insurance for the duration of their studies at Capernwray Harbour.**

Non-Canadian students who will live in BC for **6 months or longer** are deemed residents of BC and required by law to enroll in the British Columbia (BC) government Medical Services Plan (MSP). MSP is a mandatory public health insurance plan for all BC residents and covers the cost of basic medical care within Canada, including most physician and hospital services. You must apply for MSP as soon as you arrive in BC and cannot apply for MSP before you arrive. There is a 2-3 month waiting period before MSP coverage begins, during which you will be covered by a private health insurance plan carried by Capernwray Harbour unless you have your own medical insurance coverage from a third party.

**A secure online form titled *"Medical Insurance for Non-Canadian Students"* will be sent separately via email which will include more information about the coverage, application process, and cost for both of these health insurance plans. Payment for the private health insurance plan through Capernwray Harbour, if applicable, will be required when submitting the form.**

Non-Canadian students who are staying in Canada for **less** than 6 months and have purchased their own medical insurance must upload their insurance information via the online form mentioned above, prior to their arrival to Capernwray Harbour. Alternatively, the private health insurance plan mentioned above is available as an option for short-term non-Canadian students as well.

# 4. Programme Dates

**We ask that you maintain your commitment to this year of Bible School by not arranging additional holidays in order to attend the complete course.**

### Arrival and Departure Dates

One Year Programme: **Friday, September 18, 2026 to Thursday, April 15, 2027 (morning)**

### Christmas Break

*Departure*

***Thursday, December 10, 2026***

(earliest ferry is 5:45 am)

*Return*

***Sunday, January 10, 2027***

12:25, 2:15, 4:10 pm ferry to Thetis Island

### Mid-Semester Breaks

*Departure*

***Thursday, October 29, 2026***

*****10:40am* ferry from Thetis

*Return*

***Monday, November 2, 2026***

4:10pm ferry from Chemainus to Thetis

*Departure*
***Thursday, February 25, 2027***
1:30pm ferry from Thetis

*Return*
***Monday, March 1, 2027***
4:10pm ferry from Chemainus to Thetis

Commencement Celebrations will be held on Wednesday, April 14, 2027 throughout the afternoon. Details will be made available in December 2026.



# 5. Registration Day

It is very important that you arrive on time for Registration and Orientation. Plan to take one of the following ferries departing from Chemainus to Thetis Island on **Friday, September 18, 2026:**

**8:20am, 9:35am, 12:50pm, 2:25pm, or 4:20pm**

**In order to best facilitate a smooth registration process, please consider the following…**

I. We encourage you to plan your travel to arrive as early as possible on Registration Day, in order to stagger ferry traffic as well as allow time for settling in.

II. Should there be students who will be dropped off in Chemainus, assistance and support will be available. A Capernwray Harbour staff member will be at the ferry terminal to assist and direct.

III. If family or friends are accompanying students to Thetis Island, they will need to register in advance by signing our online waiver form. Staff will be present to assist students and guests; giving direction upon arrival.

IV. Students will need to arrive with all necessary identification and financial details to complete registration in person. If there are items that need to be attended to by persons other than the student on their behalf, these arrangements should be made through our Main Office with the Admissions Department *in advance* of Registration Day by phone or email.

V. Registration will take place inside the Foyer and Lecture Hall. Please visit our website to see a map of the property. Here is the direct link: About the Property

# 5. Online Waiver Required

We request that all students, ages 19 and older, read, fill out and submit the following waiver. Should you be under 19 years old, please ensure you have a parent fill it out on your behalf. If you have already done so, thank you! If you have yet to do so, please click the waiver below.

- Registration/Waiver

# 7. Travel & Breaks



## A. BC FERRIES

BC Ferries: Chemainus / Thetis Island Schedule

*An adapted version for viewing the Chemainus to Thetis Island sailings is provided as an email attachment.*

BC Ferries Experience Cards (tickets) are available for purchase at the Chemainus Toll Booth. For further information, go to: www.bcferries.com.

## B. SEAIR SEAPLANES

The quickest and most convenient way to travel from Vancouver to Thetis Island is by floatplane. SeAir Seaplanes is able to provide a **student rate** for Capernwray Harbour students. For further information, go to: www.seairseaplanes.com or phone: 1-604-273-8900 or 1-800-447-3247. Please note: the cost of your flight is non-refundable if cancelled within 5 hours of your departure.

If flying with SeAir Seaplanes, please make SeAir aware of the amount of luggage you will be travelling with. SeAir has a baggage weight limit of 35lbs. Anything exceeding 35lbs, students will be charged $1.50CAD/lb.

Christmas Break: please note that due to unreliable weather in the winter, it would NOT be recommended to book a floatplane departing for the Christmas Break. If the floatplane is unable to fly, students risk the chance of missing their Vancouver flight connections.

## C. BREAKS

For the Mid-Semester and Christmas Breaks, we will offer transportation through the hire of a local chartered bus company. This bus service will be able to provide both drop off and pick ups for students from the Nanaimo Airport, as well as Ferry Terminals. (Victoria airport and ferry will be offered for Christmas Break only.) *Please refer to the emailed attachment for further information.* ***This offering is subject to adequate interest to finance the hire of a chartered bus.***

All students must leave the Bible School campus over Mid-Semester and Christmas Breaks. **Should students need assistance with plans, please let our Office know.**

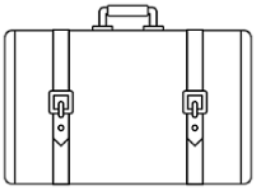
# 8. Health & Safety

Your health and safety, and that of our staff and visiting guest lecturers, are of the utmost importance to us. We have and will continue to ensure that the highest level of safety precautions are taken for those entrusted to our care.

All aspects of community life, classes, recreation, fellowship and outreach are continually taken into consideration and addressed appropriately to meet and exceed best practices.

# 9. Personal Property & Packing Tips

Storage space is limited so plan your wardrobe to fit into two (2) drawers and one foot (1') of hanging space which is equipped with approximately 6-8 hangers. Plan carefully and reduce the number of clothing items you bring. It is important that you consider that shared space takes careful planning. For a detailed packing list, please refer to the "Packing List" document included separately.



## A. PACKING TIPS

- Arrangements are made for the storage of luggage.
- Candles are considered a fire hazard and not permitted.
- Remember to bring a sleeping bag for Venture trips. However, should it be too big to bring, there is a possibility of borrowing one. A sleeping mat is also recommended though optional.
- Bedding is provided, including a pillow and comforter. If bringing personal bedding from home, it will be each individual's responsibility to launder them regularly.
- Each student must provide one's own towels.
- Students may bring a hairdryer and curling iron/straightener. Kettles are also welcome. Do not bring additional appliances.
- For students outside of North America, it might be helpful to bring an adapter for charging your electronic devices. The standard voltage supply in Canada is 120V.
- There is no facility for food storage or food prep in accommodations.
- Do not plan to use Command Hooks in accommodations. White sticky tack is permitted and available for purchase on campus. **All damages will be repaired and charged appropriately.*
- Students may enjoy and appreciate having a bicycle or scooter on campus.
- Students are welcome to bring musical instruments (guitars, violins, djembes, etc). However, large items such as keyboards and drum kits exceed space available.
- No air-soft guns permitted.
- There are coin operated washing machines and dryers available on campus. Loonies ($1CAD coins) can be purchased from our coin machine or onsite store. Plan to use laundry detergent that is High Efficiency, as it works best with our machines. We encourage students to bring a personal laundry bag
- Please limit storage containers as space is limited.

# 10. Miscellaneous

## A. MAILING ADDRESS

| **CANADA POST:** | **COURIER:** |
|---|---|
| Student Mailing address is as follows:<br>Student Name<br>c/o Capernwray Harbour<br>Box 110<br>Thetis Island BC V0R 2Y0 Canada | **Only** use if shipping by courier (FedEx, Purolator, etc.):<br>Student Name<br>c/o Capernwray Harbour<br>McBrides Service Station<br>9616 Chemainus Road<br>Chemainus BC V0R 1K0 Canada |

## B. MEDICAL

Have any medical or dental appointments done at home before Bible School begins. Consider making arrangements for current medical conditions and necessary follow up care virtually or during Christmas Break. Students should bring their own personal supply of vitamins, cold and pain medications.

## C. TECHNOLOGY

Students can use a notebook/binder or a laptop/tablet to take notes based on personal preference.

All assignments will be submitted and marked digitally using an online platform called Moodle. Students will need to have an appropriate computer or tablet available to them for the duration of the Bible School programme. Cell phones are not an appropriate device for this purpose.

Wi-Fi internet access is available in our Lecture Hall, Study Loft and Orchard Room areas throughout the day during set student hours. Further details will be available at Registration. For cell phone service, check with your mobility service provider for plans and service coverage in Canada. Should you consider getting a Canadian SIM card and phone number during your stay in Canada, please let us know and we will be happy to point you in the right direction.

## D. SPECIAL DIETS

For those requiring a special diet due to medical reasons, they must process this with the Admissions Department *before* arrival. Consideration will be given as to whether our Kitchen Department can accommodate the student's dietary needs. **For special diets, such as gluten free, dairy free and vegetarian, a $1,000 surcharge will be applied at Registration.**

## E. 100% COURSE LOAD

Do not plan for outside work commitments or online courses while attending Bible School. Our programme is a 100% course load, including community life dynamics throughout the week and weekends. Additional commitments would be a distraction from the focus and purpose of this special time set aside.

## F. BRINGING A VEHICLE

You are welcome to bring your own personal vehicle to have during your time of Bible School. Although this is *not* required and the ferry is within walking distance from the campus, you might enjoy having a vehicle to explore Vancouver Island in your free time. Parking for students is available by each accommodation area. Please check with your insurance company regarding out-of-state coverage.

## G. CONNECTING WITH STUDENTS

Students' personal information is secure. If you are looking to connect with other students, there is an Instagram account setup specifically for the students enrolled in Bible School 2026/27. Updates and other info will be shared via Instagram as Registration Day approaches. You can request to follow @chbcstudents26.27 directly or by scanning the QR code.

@CHBCSTUDENTS26.27

## H. MORE INFORMATION

Have you looked at our website? There is so much information available there! Please take a look, as many details regarding Community Life, Weekly Schedules and Curriculum are highlighted on our website.

**Please do not hesitate to email or phone if you have any questions or concerns.**