



The Student Gathering is a twelve-day program, which encourages students and their supervisors to exercise their gifts by serving in a variety of locally planned mission projects. The aim is to engage students in cross-cultural diversity and to reinforce a passion for service and mission.

You can find the GCSN web page here: [Global Christian Schools Network - Home](#)

A video of the 2018 Student Gathering in Timisoara, Romania is available here:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pAfU7gYmHmA>

Our hope is that young people would return to their own school communities equipped to encourage fellow students to have a heart for mission and service, and to engage redemptively wherever they may be.

SGCSN - Student Gathering 2023, France

- Event:** Global Christian Schools Network Student Gathering 2023
Student Ministry for Mission and Service
- Location:** Le Rimlishof, Buhl, and surrounding areas in Alsace, France
- Dates:** October 16th – October 28th, 2023
- Theme:** Serving with Kindness
- Costs:** 950€ per person
Cost includes accommodation from Oct 16th to 28th (check-in Oct 16th, check-out 28th), most meals, materials & local transport for projects, GCSN hoodie and GCSN t-shirt
- Accommodation:** Rimlishof Centre de Rencontres
www.rimli.com
3 rue du Rimlishof, 68530 Buhl, FRANCE
Phone: +33 (0)3 89 76 82 10
- Travel to Event:** Costs of travel to accommodation in France, travel and health insurance, are the responsibility of the participant
- Group Size:** We expect to provide opportunities for 100-120 participants. A suggested maximum of 8 students from any one school; and a suggested maximum of 16 students from groups of schools (additional students may be considered by negotiation)
- Supervision:** We recommend a ratio of 1 supervisor per 6-8 students. For supervision of mixed groups (male and female students), schools might consider travelling together with neighbouring or partner schools to provide a male and female supervisor for the respective schools

- Project Options:** There are presently 7 project options, with the possibility of slight changes. Projects are divided into 2 focuses: **Blue** projects are focused on interacting with local people and **green** projects are focused on practical work
Each student may either choose:
- 1 project for the duration of the Gathering which should be "blue"
 - or
 - 2 projects: 1 "blue" and 1 "green" project
- Arrival:** Students and supervisors should plan to arrive at Rimlishof Centre de Rencontres during the day of October 16th (no later than 6.00pm)
- Departure:** Students and supervisors should plan to depart from Rimlishof Centre de Rencontres after 10.00am on Oct 28th
- Orientation:** Orientation will take place on the evening of Oct 16th and all day on Oct 17th
- Debriefing:** Each project group will present their reflections to GCSN Adult Gathering after one week and again on Oct 27th
- Mentor:** Each student will be paired with a mentor from the GCSN Adult Gathering

GCSN Principles:

Fellowship:

To express and experience our fellowship in Christ

Commitment:

To enhance our commitment to servanthood as image bearers of the Triune God; to live our lives humbly serving and being served.

Sharing:

To share our servanthood thinking and practice in different cultures and locations; the unity of the Body of Christ with diverse expressions

Encouragement:

To encourage leaders and young people to live a life of servanthood and responsive discipleship

Equipping:

To equip our school communities to engage with people all over the world in mutually redemptive and God-honouring ways.

Servanthood:

To learn to serve one another as an attitude of the heart, a decisive responsibility of the mind and an engagement in relational action.

Prayer and Action:

Our common prayerful desire is that this humble engagement in serving will involve each family and our school communities, reaching to our regional communities, our nations and the world.

To learn more about the GCSN principles, click here: [Global Christian Schools Network – About us](#)

SCGSN 2023 Project Outlines as of February 2023

Quartier Libre (https://porte-ouverte.com/jaime-mon-prochain/quartier-libre/) (Image 1) Located in Mulhouse. Reaching out to the community.		
Project Code	Project Information	Number of groups and students
Q1	Engaging the local community - going out into neighbourhoods and doing work with children (games, art, stories)	4/32
Q2	Helping on site with the food bank and second-hand store	1/8

Le Rimlishof (www.rimli.com) (Images 2) Located in Buhl and is the Student Gathering accommodation site. In 1542, Le Rimlishof was named by its original owner Pierre Rimely or Rimlin. Le Rimlishof is a leisure centre with comfortable accommodation and caters for many activities, including housing and caring for asylum-seeking families. The centre is run by a wonderful team of dedicated staff and volunteers.		
Project Code	Project Information	Number of groups and students
R1	Doing practical work such as renovations, painting, etc	1/8
R2	Helping on site with refugees	1/8

I Love Mulhouse (https://ilovemulhouse.fr/) (Images 3) Humbly established in 2011 by a discreet lady named Marianne Moerlen. 'I Love Mulhouse' provides opportunities for Christians to serve and to show God's love to the people living in the city of Mulhouse.		
Project Code	Project Information	Number of groups and students
M1	Doing work within communities in Mulhouse (cleaning up as well as organizing events in parks / streets; reaching out into communities)	4/32

War Memorials (https://www.memorial-hwk.eu) (Images 4) Located in Hartmannswillerkopf. Honouring those we lost.		
Project Code	Project Information	Number of groups and students
W1	Working together on renovation of War Memorials	2/16

College Daniel (https://www.etab-daniel.org/) (Image 5) Located in Guebwiller. College Daniel is a Christian school founded in 1986. The college includes a kindergarten, an elementary school, a middle school and a high school. It operates through the dedication and commitment of a team of parents, qualified teachers, volunteers/employees.		
Project Code	Project Information	Number of groups and students
D1	Doing practical work within the college	1/8



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Adult Gathering

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SGCSN 2023 DRAFT Program Framework, October 16 – 28, 2023

Date	Day Time			Evening	
Monday 16/10	Arrive at Le Rimlishof		Meet and Share stories together	Evening Meal	
Tuesday 17/10	Breakfast and Prayer	Share Song or creative presentation about sending school and mission/service	Orientation to local culture and the purpose of Mission and Service	Gathering in Mission/Service Groups – understanding expectations; plans and ideas	Evening meal
Wednesday 18/10	Breakfast and Prayer	Mission and Service Projects			Prepare summary to send home Evening meal
Thursday 19/10	Breakfast and Prayer	Mission and Service Projects			Prepare summary to send home Evening meal
Friday 20/10	Breakfast and Prayer	Mission and Service Projects			Prepare summary to send home Evening meal
Saturday 21/10	Breakfast and Prayer	Mission and Service Projects		See the sights/shop	Evening meal
Sunday 22/10	Breakfast and Prayer	Service of Worship in Word and Song	Colmar History and Culture	Getting to know Colmar Walking Tour	Evening meal
Monday 23/10	Breakfast and Prayer	Mission and Service Projects			Evening meal
Tuesday 24/10	Breakfast and Prayer	Mission and Service Projects			Prepare summary to send home Evening meal
Wednesday 25/10	Breakfast and Prayer	Mission and Service Projects		Fellowship with Mentor	Evening meal
Thursday 26/10	Breakfast and Prayer	Mission and Service Projects Farewell to hosts		Prepare reports and reflections for combined Adult Gathering	Evening Meal
Friday 27/10	Breakfast and Prayer	Reports from project groups – Q and A Students' Creative items; songs, videos from sending school Lunch and Prayer		What are we taking away? What are we leaving in Buhl – a message of encouragement, hope and gratitude	Final Dinner Adults and Students Together Pack up and prepare to depart in the morning
Saturday 28/10	Breakfast and Prayer	Expressions of gratitude; Self-initiated conversations and farewells			

Image 1. Quartier Libre



Images 2. Le Rimlishof (www.rimli.com)



Image 3. I Love Mulhouse (<https://ilovemulhouse.fr/>)



Images 4. War Memorials (<https://www.memorial-hwk.eu>)



Image 5. College Daniel (<https://www.etab-daniel.org/>)

