



# Restoration Short Term Missions

*France*

*May 15th-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026*

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This trip to Strasbourg, France is primarily focused around giving Restoration members the opportunity to serve our brothers and sisters in France. While there, we will serve the church by hosting outreach events, service projects around the coffee shop, and join along side the language and refugee ministry that is taking place. As with every trip, we seek to be faithful, encouraging Gospel partners for the long term team there.

## *Requirements & Pre-Trip Trainings*

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Must have a passport with at least six months of validity remaining, starting from the day of departure, to be accepted to the trip. Missing pre-trip trainings are not allowed except for extenuating circumstances.

In the Pre-Trip Trainings, we will cover the following:

- Meeting #1 - 1/25/26 - 5:00-7:00 PM
  - Support raising
  - Gospel for all people
  - Team Building
  - Prayer
- Meeting #2 - 3/29/26 - 5:00-6:30 PM
  - How to Share my Testimony
  - Japan Culture Crash Course
  - Team Building
  - Prayer
- Meeting #3 - 5/10/26 - 5:00-6:30 PM
  - Pre Departure Meeting
  - Safety
  - Expectations
  - Logistics
  - Final Questions

# Cultural Norms & Expectations

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Église de la Gare (translation: Church of the Station) is a church that Restoration partners with in Strasbourg, France. Their mission is to see the gospel spread throughout their community through their church.

One of the ways Église de la Gare does this is through Le Quai 67 (pronounced: La K), a coffee shop/community center that serves multiple functions. Its literal meaning is “Platform 67” given their proximity to the train station and the number of nationalities represented in their neighborhood. Through resources such as free French classes, job training, and more, Église de la Gare has used this ministry to bless their neighborhood and bring others in to know Jesus.

## Language

French is the most common and understood. We recommend using Duo Lingo for some language learning in the 1-3 months leading up to our departure.

Below are some phrases that you can expect to hear and use:

- Bonjour! - Hello/Good day!
- Bonsoir! - Good evening!
- Salut! - Hi! (Informal)
- Au revoir! - Goodbye!
- S'il vous plaît - Please (formal)
- Merci - Thank you
- Merci beaucoup - Thank you very much
- Pardon - Pardon me / Excuse me
- Oui - Yes
- Non - No
- Je ne comprends pas - I don't understand
- Parlez-vous anglais ? - Do you speak English?
- Je ne parle pas français - I don't speak French

## Luggage

Everyone will get two bags to bring on the plane. Any combination of below:

- x1 checked bag (Checked bags must be less than 50lbs )
- x1 carry-on
- x1 personal item (i.e. backpack. Must fit under the seat below)

Carry on + personal item must be less than 25lbs . The recommendation is to at least pack one pair of extra clothing in your carry-on as it is common for luggage to get delayed/lost in transit to Japan.

## Packing List

**\*\*Do not bring anything you are worried about getting dirty, dusty, broken, or lost\*\***

- Work clothes (Shorts are not commonly worn. Pack Jeans or dresses. Shorts only able to be worn on hikes)
- Bible & notebook with pen
- Water bottle
- Camera (again, don't bring anything you're worried about losing)
- Electrical Converter (specifically for France, Type E)
- Hat
- Backpack
- Clothes
- PJs
- Rain gear
- Light jacket
- COMFORTABLE shoes for walking long distances
- Toiletries
- Towel

## *General Trip Itinerary*

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Day 1-2

- Travel Days

Day 3-8

- Ministry Days

Day 9

- Return Home

## Trip Cost

Total: \$3,000

Includes airfare, supplies, transportation, lodging, meals, and fees/administrative costs. We recommend you bring some money for souvenirs.

Payment Deadlines:

- \$250 deposit upon registration and acceptance (nonrefundable)
- \$1500 due 60 days prior to departure
- \$1250 due 30 days prior to departure

We will use Managed Mission for payment collection and support raising. You will have your own personalized link to use. Any checks written to the trip must be made out to "Restoration Church Bryan" and have "France Mission Trip:

FirstInitial LastName' written in the memo.