

# **Community Christmas Party**

#### VISION

The community Christmas party gathers non-Christians around the story of Jesus and an invitation to know him more.

#### PARTY CHECKLIST

- Pick time and location
  - o Lunch in a workplace
  - o Evening in a home
- Invite 2-5 disciples-making leaders
- Invite 15 to 20 non-Christians [model]
- Invite non-Christian and ask them to invite a friend
- Buy food

#### PRE-PARTY

- Pray for those coming (by name if you know names)
- Set up the food
- Review the 3-Circle Christmas Story

### **PARTY PLAN**

- (2 min) Gather everyone together and thank them for coming
- (3 min) Sing one Christmas carol (optional)
- (8 min) **3-Circle Christmas Story (see example)** 
  - God's Story
  - Our Story
  - Christmas Story

# (1 min) **Invitation for follow-up (see example)**

- If you want to know more about this, contact us
- Would you be willing to ask yourself who Jesus could be to you ...?

## (1 min) Pray

- Thank Jesus for what he did
- Give thanks for the food

#### (30+ min) Eat & Connect

- Disciples make effort to connect with all non-Christians
- Get phone numbers and names for follow up
- Have fun!

#### **POST-PARTY (FOLLOW-UP)**

Follow up on new connections:

- Make a prayer list of everyone that came
  - Begin praying for each of these people daily
  - o If hosting many parties, keep collecting names until the end of the season
- Begin reaching out for coffee or times to talk with contacts beginning early January

#### Train new decisions:

- Train S.O.A.P.S.
  - o Matthew 5-7
  - o Matthew 28:18-20
- Train CHAT (Confess, Honor, Ask, Thanks)
- Train to make a prayer list of friends and relatives
- Train to share testimony and gospel (3 Circles)
- Share Zume Training (https://zume.training)

#### **EXAMPLES**

# "Invitation to the Party"

"Please, come, eat, and celebrate Christmas with us. We're going to talk about the Christmas story and how it matters. Don't bring anything, we'll cover all the food and drinks. Meet us ... [in the break room on the second floor at 12 during lunch break]."

## "Invitation for follow-up"

"If you want to know more or want to respond to this message, come talk to me or my friends while we're eating or in the future."

## "3-Circle Christmas Script"

Has everyone heard the Christmas sentiment "peace on earth, good will to men"? In songs? On Christmas decorations? It comes from Luke 2:14 (KJV), "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

The Christmas version of the 3-Circles follows the same 3-Circles gospel presentation, but uses the well-known Christmas sentiment "peace on earth" to frame the gospel story.

Simply, connect the state of the world and our hearts (first circle) with no "peace on earth"; connect God's heart for the world (second circle) with true "peace on earth"; and God's solution in the sending Jesus (third circle, i.e. Christmas and Easter) with making "peace on earth" among the people who please God by believing in his Son Jesus.

(3-Circle training video on www.communitychristmas.party)