





## THE BIG IDEA

The Party is a simple, fun way to spend time with your friends and neighbors and to tell them about Jesus.

## THE VISION

Because people come to Jesus best on the arm of a trusted friend, we are throwing parties to:

- Take the message of Jesus to front yards, parks, living rooms, baseball fields, or anywhere else that you's like
- Start and strengthen relationships within your community, workplace, or friendship circles
- Equip families to reach families with the Gospel





# IT'S TIME TO PARTY!

We are throwing parties throughout the Crossroads so that we can introduce people to Jesus, the life of the party. To do this, we will quip your family to reach families.

Think about who you could reach with a fun party that points people to Jesus:

- Neighbors
- Sports Teams
- Friends from School
- Family Members
- Coworkers Famiilies
- Apartment Complexes
- Under-served Areas in Our Communities

You create the connections. You pick the location, date, and for your party. We provide the resources (Bible stories, skits, games, and crafts). We also provide the coaching you need to successfully build a team, reach your friends, and lead people to say yes to Jesus.



# **READY TO THROW A PARTY?**



## **CHOOSE A LOCATION**

Choose a safe, easily accessible location to throw your party. Your front yard, backyard or community park are all great options. Have a swimming pool? Feel free to use it with appropriate supervision.

## PICK DATES AND TIMES

Pick the day and time that works best for you, your family, and the people that you are inviting. You can throw one, two, three or more parties. It's up to you.

## **BUILD YOUR TEAM**

Reaching people requires a team, so invite others to serve with you. Consider people who live near you. Think about people in your small group. A team of 3 to 4 people can throw a great party for 12 kids and their parents.

## SPREAD THE WORD

2 weeks before your party, send out invitations. Need help creating something? We have easily customizable invitations. 1 week before your party, connect with your team so that everyone knows their role and the plan. Spend time praying together, too.





## WHAT'S YOUR PLAN?

#### TEAM PRAYER

Before guests arrive, lead your team in prayer.

#### MAKE THE CONNECTION (15 MINUTES)

Use this time to interact with kids and parents while people are still arriving. Feel free to add your ideas to these:

- 1. Bubbles
- 2. Frisbee Toss
- 3. Football Throw
- 4. Sidewalk Chalk
- 5. Hula Hoop Competition

#### LARGE GROUP GAME (10 MINUTES)

Play the large group games that tie into lesson. Feel free to create your own.

#### LARGE GROUP LESSON (10 MINUTESO

Teach kids and parents about Jesus using the provided Bible lessons.

#### SKIT (10 MINUTES)

Use the skit to reinforce the big idea from the Bible story. If you use the provided skit, teammates are welcome to read off of the script.

#### **CRAFT (10 MINUTES)**

Use the craft, if you expect to have younger kids at your party. Encourage kids and parents to work together.

#### **CRAZY PARENT GAME (5 MINUTES)**

Get families laughing with a crazy parent game.

#### **CLOSING CONNECTIONS**

During this time, focus on building relationships with kids and parents.



# WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

Throwing a party for Jesus can seem a bit overwhelming, but you can do it and we are here to help! Our church will be praying for you and our team is here to support and encourage you.



## **BIBLE LESSON OPTIONS**

We have created Bible lessons with large group games, teaching notes, a skit and discussion questions. Each of these is designed to help you engage kids in fun, activity-based learning.

## **PROMOTION PIECES**

Ready to spread the word about your party? Let us know the details of your event and we will produce flyers, posters, and even a sign for your yard. Your party can also be added to our website so others can join you.

### **ONE-ON-ON COACHING**

Aside from resources and promotional materials, the most important thing we have to share is personal coaching so that you party is a huge success.

