

Summit Home Gatherings

Be the movement where you live.

Starter Kit

We're thankful that you've decided to host a Summit home gathering! While we're not gathering together at our campuses on the weekend, we want to gather together in Summit homes all around RDU to **reach**, **disciple**, and **send** everyone at our church. We're grateful for your hospitality and excited to see how God will use this opportunity to bless and disciple others.

A Summit home gathering has three elements—invite, show hospitality, and worship. Here are a few tips as you prepare to host.

- 1. Invite** | This could be people from your small group, campus, neighborhood, or anyone you know. Invitations open the door for us to see God move.
 - **The “Win” Is in the Invite** | When you invite someone to your Summit home gathering, you're opening a new door of relationship with them. Even if they say “no” this time, you're showing that you care about them.
 - **Set Expectations** | As you invite people, let them know what to expect (i.e., that you'll be watching The Summit Church sermon, etc.).
 - **Invite Guests to Return** | Invite everyone who attends to come back next week.
 - **Multiply the Ministry** | If your Summit home gathering grows over time, invite others in the group to begin hosting another Summit home gathering and multiply the ministry you've started in your home.
- 2. Show Hospitality** | This is done primarily through opening your home.
 - **Know the Guidelines** | Familiarize yourself with both our state orders and CDC guidelines, including the exemptions and allowances for religious gatherings, and communicate your plans clearly with those in attendance. Different individuals and groups will have different comfort levels.

- Inside Your Kit | In your kit, we've provided a gift card for you to purchase things like hand sanitizer, disinfectant spray, paper towels, and bottled water so you can provide a safe and clean space to worship.
- Read the Space | Do your best to create a welcoming, clean, and engaging environment. Make sure the volume, lighting, and seating options are comfortable for everyone present. Since many of our Summit home gatherings will include kids and families, consider kid-proofing your viewing area as necessary.
- Prevent Sexual Abuse | All Summit home gathering hosts will be trained on how to prevent sexual abuse in the home, and every person over the age of 18 who lives in a Summit home gathering host home will be background checked.

3. Worship | This is done through participating in the Summit worship service online and discussing the sermon together.

- Stream the Service | Starting on Saturdays at noon, you can stream the service on demand on our YouTube channel. You can also join the livestream on Sundays at 9 and 11 a.m. on Facebook and live.summitchurch.com.
- Engage the Whole Family | Read our “Best Ideas for Worshiping at Home With Your Family” at summitchurch.com/kids as a resource.
- Discussion | Each week, we'll send you a simple question that could help you discuss the sermon after you view it. This is optional and merely to help you engage with those you welcome into your home.
- Prayer | Conclude your time by praying together.

After your Summit home gathering, answer these questions:

1. Did you invite someone to your home to worship?
2. Did you practice hospitality in the way you welcomed your guest(s) into your home?
3. Did you worship together with the Summit Online service?

If you answered “yes” to all three questions, then you successfully hosted a Summit home gathering!

Have questions? We're here to help.

Your campus teams will be contacting you.

Thank you for being part of reaching, discipling, and sending at the Summit.

