

FESTIVE IDEAS

- Have some festive party snacks like hot chocolate and cookies, Chex mix or peppermint bark.
- Have simple Christmas décor like lights, garland and a trimmed tree.
- Play Christmas music in the background as people mingle.
- Play a fun icebreaker game (see below).

THINGS TO CONSIDER

- Be mindful of pets and kids.
- Be mindful of where everyone will park.
- Inform and invite your neighbors.
- Get a cohost to divide responsibilities.
- Plan and test your technology.
- Provide name tags to help people get to know one another.
- Give someone the fun task of opening the door and welcoming people!

SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH US

- Use the hashtag #weare22 and tag some pics of your Christmas in a Box experience!
- If you host anyone who wants more info about The Church of Eleven22 or surrenders their life to Jesus at your gathering please email us at Christmas@coe22.com.

ICEBREAKERS**Name that carol.**

Make a list of lyrics from Christmas carols but only provide 3-4 words from each song. The person who names all or the most songs in a certain amount of time wins.

Ornament guess.

Have guests guess the total number of ornaments on the tree as they come into the party. The closest guess wins.

Christmas memory game.

Put Christmas items on a tray and give people one minute to memorize the items. Take the tray away and have them write as many down as they can remember in 30 seconds.

Please see reverse for a guide to leading worship

**CHRISTMAS
IN A BOX**



STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO LEADING WORSHIP

1. GATHER TOGETHER

We encourage you to begin with prayer as a group. Ask God to open your hearts and minds to the reading and hearing of His Word. Thank Him for the opportunity to gather together to celebrate the birth of Jesus!

2. START THE PROGRAM

There are two way of accessing the program: DVD & Online.

Both ways have the same menu options: **Full Experience**, **Message**, **Hosts**, **Bonus Song** and **ASL**.

- The **Full Experience** features a welcome from Pastor Joby, two worship songs (with lyrics), a short film, a message from Pastor Joby and a closing song.
- The **Message Only** includes the short film and message from Pastor Joby. (We suggest playing the Full Experience unless you or someone in your group wants to lead the music separately.)
- The **Hosts** option plays a short "how-to" on hosting your event. We recommend watching this first!
- **Bonus Song** can be used however you want.
- **ASL** options are provided for the Full Experience and Message.

ONLINE Events:

Visit coe22.com/Christmas to stream the program via RightNow Media.

Be sure to test your technology before your event! **NOTE: If you've not already created a RightNow Media account, you'll need to sign up for one first via coe22.com/rightnowmedia.**

3. DISCUSSION

Following the video program, discuss these questions:

What is your relationship with Jesus like? Do you want to get to know Him better?
Based on what we just watched, what does Christmas really mean?
What next step is God calling you to in light of the restoration He offers us through His Son, Jesus?

4. READING

Read Luke 2:1-21

5. CLOSING

Close in prayer, admitting that we are aware that we ALL fall short of the glory of God, that we are not mistakers in need of a life coach, but sinners in need of a Savior. Thank Him, as we are eternally grateful that God sent Jesus to restore everything we cannot.

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