INVITE IDEAS

Easter is one of the best opportunities to invite friends, family, or neighbors to join you! It is likely that you have people in your life who would love to join you on Easter but may not ask you about it.

Your invitation may be the only one they receive this year and it could change their life.

- 1. When you grab lunch at a drive-through restaurant, give the person who takes your order an Easter invite card.
- 2. Make a commitment to invite people each week leading up to Easter. Make a checklist of people you often encounter: grocery clerk, boss, teacher, physical therapist, friend, yard guy, nail tech, relative, hairstylist, food server, dentist, mail carrier, employee, neighbor, etc. Choose someone each week to invite and pray for them.
- 3. Walk your dog. Jog. Go for a walk. You'll meet lots of people you can invite to church!
- 4. Your personal social media (Facebook, etc.) offers a great way to invite people. Post a photo, tell a story about how Celebration impacts your life, link to celebrationpeople.org, or use our invite graphics! You never know who will read and respond to your posts!
- 5. Spend time in your front yard. Water the lawn, sit on the porch, plant flowers, or work on some unfinished projects. Visit with neighbors who walk by, get to know them, and invite them to church.
- 6. Plan a neighborhood gathering to get to know your neighbors. It could be a cookout in the yard, a dinner, ice cream, or a watermelon party. Play corn hole or volleyball, or just put out lawn chairs and hang out. Then invite!
- 7. Simply forward the Easter Page info from our church website to invite a friend to a church service, or small group.
- 8. Gather with your small group from church and volunteer to host a water station at a local running event. Wear church T-shirts, cheer for participants, and invite.
- 9. Deliver a welcome gift and an Easter invitation to new move-ins in your community. Subscribe to a service or ask members to call if they see someone moving into their neighborhood. Deliver a welcome packet and homemade goodies or gifts including an Easter invite card.
- 10. Get to know your child's school teacher, coach, or physician. Invite him or her to your home for a casual dinner. If they don't have a church, invite them to ours!

- 11. Create a beautiful basket of apples or a bouquet of pencils for the teacher's lounge at a nearby public school. Deliver it during a teacher's workday. Hang a pretty prayer note and an invitation to church in the basket!
- 12. Tailgate at local sports events. Have fun, serve hot dogs, talk with people, and pass out church invitations. Make it a fun competition by doing this with your small group and keeping a tally of who invited the most people!
- 13. Each time you go to the church building, click "check-in" on your Facebook account. Also, "like" our church's Facebook page, and it will show on your site. Friends notice!
- 14. Adults, teens, or children can handwrite notes of appreciation and prayer to the local fire station, elected official's office, police, or sheriff's department, etc. Deliver them, along with a nice snack basket and Easter invite cards.
- 15. Plan playdates with your children's friends and parents. Invite them to church, and plan to meet for burgers nearby afterward. Get your children involved. They can invite friends to church just as well as you!
- 16. Talk about your church in everyday conversations—on the bus, in the break room, at the beach, riding the subway, in the coffee shop, in your knitting class, in the Uber car, in the grocery line, in the waiting room. Just chat and invite naturally.