

ONLINE KICKOFF GUIDE

Welcome and Make Connections (15 minutes)

Hospitality is a crucial part of forming community and planting new ministries. Welcome people as they arrive on the call. Take a few minutes for everyone to introduce themselves and which campus they're from. Invite everyone to go around and share their name, campus, and something interesting about themselves. Then do something fun and simple to get to know each other. Here are a few ideas:

- "Guess who" on Zoom: Each participant private messages the host an interesting facts about themselves. Hosts reads them out and group guesses who. Leads to fun story telling.
- "Exposed" on Zoom: Everyone turns off their camera on zoom. Leader/emcee has a list of things (i.e. Haven't showered in 3 days, watched a lecture in bed, etc.) and reads them one at a time. If that particular thing applies to someone, they turn their camera on and are "exposed".
- Amazon Competition: Find the product with the worst reviews and see who comes up with the funniest item.
- **Ebay search competition:** Find the most expensive thing you can and see who comes up with the best/most random item.

Need more ideas? Check this out: <u>https://intervarsity.org/online-resources/having-fun</u>

Encounter Jesus Together (40 minutes)

Before the Kickoff:

- Make a copy of the the Bible study Google doc: <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/1INqckB92vbReqlivRFRxgVR6uC</u> <u>QwU-6bNuBVhq4othg/edit?usp=sharing</u>
- Make it editable. Explained: <u>How to make an editable copy of your Bible</u> <u>Study Googledoc.</u>
- Get familiar with the flow of the guided Bible study and the discussion questions.
- Watch the embedded video and look over the "response" and "Join the Movement" prompts.

During the Kickoff:

- Post the link to the Google Doc in the chat so everyone can see it, follow along, and add their own comments.
- Help everyone participate the discussion.
- Be directive. If there are long pauses then call on specific people to answer.
- If you have a lot of people (more than 15) use <u>breakout rooms</u> to give space to share in smaller groups.

Pray for Revival (5 minutes)

Take some time to pray for your friends and your campus/campuses. Ask God to fill each of you with love for your campus. Pray for revival!

