

## Ambition 21 Watch Parties

First, we want to acknowledge that communities around the country have been affected very differently by COVID-19. Some communities have been significantly impacted while others have had very little impact. You will therefore need to determine what is feasible, advisable, and legal for each situation. When questions arise do not hesitate to reach out to your Staff Worker, Area Director, or Regional Director for guidance.

## Follow University, County/City, State, National, and CDC Guidelines

It is extremely important in this context to adhere to university policies, guidance, and recommendations as well as those of the local, state, and national authorities for all student/faculty and IV staff events. When the guidance is varied either because of covering multiple locations (campuses, areas, regions, cities and/or states) or because of conflicting regulations, base your decision off the strictest relevant campus/city/state/CDC guideline.

## Tips for Small Groups

- Decide who can host (or if there's a school building you can meet in)
- Start by sharing how you're doing and open your time in prayer
- Make sure everyone brings their laptops so you can work on your *Greenhouse* plans
- There is Worship during Ambition but you can choose to incorporate more worship if you want to!
  - Bring instruments and have a jam session
  - Break out the art supplies and worship through creativity
  - Dance it out!
- Connect a laptop to a TV or Projector and watch the main session together
- Using your individual laptops, join different workshops during the *Greenhouse* time, and share highlights when you gather the next morning!

## Tips for Chapters

- Campus Staff Member: plan the local Watch Party activities
- Ask if a local church can offer its facility and invite some members to help host.
- Connect a laptop to a TV or Projector and watch the main session together
- Area Director: look at which campuses have no ongoing ministry yet and lead a network mapping exercise.
- Students work at round tables with their laptops out during *Greenhouse* time to work on their plans
- Ask if there are any donors in the area who can provide lunch or dinner on Saturday
- On Sunday, the chapter stays home, but joins various Fireside Chats online and the final Ambition session.

## Misc. Ideas

- Come up with a fun distanced greeting instead of a hug- something like a silly signal or a dance you do when you see each other.
- Having food? Pre-portion it out beforehand so everyone isn't touching the utensils. OR designate *one* person to hand out the food.
- Go on a campus prayer walk with a buddy. If you can't be distanced, don't forget your mask!

## What if we can't meet in person?

You can still gather people in groups virtually and host a virtual watch party!

- Set up Zoom check-ins, debriefs, and prayer times together during the weekend.
- Have a pre-meeting party with games! This helps connect you with people "face to face" before the program starts
- Set up a group chat to talk during the program about what's impacting you
  - A few options could be Facebook, Slack, and WhatsApp.
- Chat with other people from your chapter who are attending Ambition and plan to get the same snacks! Then chow down together.
  - Or you can pick a buddy in your chapter and send each other Ambition Care Packages with snacks and goodies.