

# Hosting Guide: Gathering with Students

## **Before the gathering:**

Get to your host's home (or invite people over – following restrictions) before 8pm so you can catch up with each other and still be on time

We love hospitality - why not do dinner together? Jacket potatoes are the way to go!

If you've been around for a while, think about who you can invite that is on the fringes of church

Set a nice atmosphere in your room/living space – fairy lights are recommended. Expect to encounter God, if you're in a communal space with non-Christians that might not be the most open or comfortable environment

## **During the gathering:**

Join the zoom gathering at 8pm together

Have your cuppa and snacks at the ready

There's time for mingling at the beginning so make sure to say hi to anyone you don't know, if you've been to Central more than once, you're part of the welcome team too!

You can watch the sermon from zoom or YouTube! Some easy hacks are: plugging your laptop in to a TV with a HDMI cable if you have one, and make sure your laptop is charged!

You can sing in your rooms during worship – you'll be on mute! We're sure your flatmates won't mind.

## **After the gathering:**

Finish at 9pm by chatting about how you found the gathering and what God was doing (accountability is great), or praying for each other

If you've been invited to someone else's, clean your mugs! We don't want upset flatmates

Feel free to leave shortly after (without needing to say "I've got an essay due in the morning!")