



# *Hosting a Hub at your Home*

Here are a few things you may find useful when hosting a Gathering at your house:

1. **Gather your essentials!** Plan ahead - the day before ensure you have something easy to contribute for dinner; crackers, juice and port for communion; fresh milk, tea bags and coffee for supper; plastic plates, cups, cutlery and serviettes.
2. **Clean!** You don't need to have your house immaculate but make sure your toilet is cleaned, with spare toilet paper, soap and a towel put out. Wash any dirty dishes and empty your bins so clean away is easy.
3. **Make your space ready!** Clear away any clutter from your lounge room and put out enough chairs for everyone, plus have a few on hand for any extras who may turn up (cushions on the ground are great too!)
4. **Food preparation!** Clear a table and put out some heat mats ready for the food along with the cutlery and plates. A few extra serving spoons or tongs are always handy to have.
5. **Govern the mood!** Put some worship music on softly in the background, dim the lights and burn a candle to create a relaxed mood. Even if you can't do all these things at least put some worship music on, and ensure the TV is off.
6. **Communion!** Pour the communion cups and break the crackers so they are ready when needed.
7. **Tea & coffee!** Put out the cups, teaspoons, tea, coffee and milk next to the kettle so people can help themselves. Have a spare cup or dish for used teaspoons and teabags.
8. **Hello!** Put the porch light on and make sure you listen out for any knocks, so no one is left in the cold or heat. Make people welcome by showing them where to put their food and to help themselves to a tea or coffee.
9. **Enjoy!** Eat together, clear away used plates, put the food away so no leftovers are spoiled (leave any big dishes until the end)
10. **Ascend together!**