

How to Host an Evening Gathering During 10 Day

While 10 Days is about an extended season of consecration for the people of God, often the evening meeting is the high point of each day, a gathering moment amid sustained worship and prayer.

Here are some ideas on how to host an evening gathering:

- Worship, Prayer, and Communion: We encourage three elements at every evening gathering: worship, prayer, and communion. If your group practices "closed communion," this element can be left out.
- Hosting Together with Different Leaders: This is a gathering for the Body of Christ hosted by the Body of Christ so make sure that many different leaders are utilized! It is ideal if evening gatherings can be co-hosted by several (3 or more) different congregations or ministries.
- Share about the Vision each night: It is good to have the planning team or a local pastor share about the vision of 10 Days to help newcomers catch up on what has been happening and connect to the global movement.

Optional Elements: The Evening Gatherings may include personal prayer ministry, exhortation, preaching, evangelism, Scripture reading, baptisms, foot washing or other symbolic actions, and many other forms of worship! *Be free and sensitive to the leading of the Lord—just keep the focus on Jesus and keep loving each other!*

- Training: We recommend one or more gatherings prior to 10 Days with those who will be playing a leadership role to plan and get on the same page regarding vision and implementation.
- Tone: Through concerted fasting and prayer together we are expressing a deep longing for God to draw near, for love, purity, and power in the Church, as well as intentionally "longing for and hastening the day" of Christ's return (2 Pet. 3:12).
 - 10 Days is a time of repentance, mourning, seeking God's face, humbling ourselves, and longing for Christ's return. This is not to say that there can't be joy or even celebration during 10 Days – in fact the reality is that as we humble ourselves before God, invariably He exults us and we exult in Him. However, our starting place during this time is humility, repentance, and mourning.
- Style: We encourage every hosting group to "be themselves". As a global body, we all have different ways of worshipping. Each part of the body of Christ is unique and has something to bring to the whole. In planning, think about what you can to help those who may not be familiar with your style or manner of worship to engage.