

How To Host A Successful Watch Party

Before You Get Started (Before The Day Arrives)

Pray about it! Ask God to bring the right people, to open the hearts of those who will attend, and to fill your viewing location with His presence.

Figure out which service(s) you will be watching.

1. Will you host Sunday 9am, Sunday 11am, Sunday 1pm or Wednesday 7pm?
You can do all four if you like!

Invite your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc.

1. You can say something like - "We will be watching our church's livestream on Sunday at 11am. Would you like to join us? We'll do breakfast right before we start at 10am. My wife makes the best pancakes. Please come!"
1. For those who agree to come, make sure to send them a reminder the night before! People usually like to know that you're thinking of them and looking forward to seeing them. You can say something like, "Hey! I'm really looking forward to our watch party tomorrow morning at 11am! Don't forget to come early for some pancakes!"

Getting Started (The Day of Your Watch Party)

1. Set up your watch party location - a room in your home, at your workplace, in your car, or really anywhere! Take a moment to consider your space:
2. Do you have a way to make sure everyone can see the screen? A tripod for your phone? Is your Smart TV set up in the right part of the room?
3. Would a Bluetooth speaker help people to hear more clearly? Even small groups can make more noise than you might think!
4. How is the seating? Are there adequate chairs for the people you've invited?
5. Are you providing snacks, drinks, a meal? Maybe some hand sanitizer? Make sure all your hospitality items are set out and ready to be consumed!

TESTING... 1, 2, 3!

1. Don't forget to test your internet connection to make sure you won't hit any snags. (If a Way World Outreach livestream isn't already going, you can test your connection by streaming one of your favorite worship songs or another YouTube clip.
2. Now is a good time to test out your speakers too! Are the levels coming through okay? Will everyone be able to hear?
3. **PRO-TIP** - It's always a good idea to have a back-up device handy. If your Smart TV starts acting up, you'll want to have your phone or laptop available to fill in the gap.

CHECK-IN

1. Around 30 minutes before the service starts, you should go on the Way's app and check in.
2. Click the "Watch Party Check-In" banner and let us know how many people you are expecting in attendance.

Starting Your Watch Party!

1. THE BIG DAY HAS ARRIVED! It's always a good idea to warmly welcome people as they come in the door. If you've got kids, make them the designated greeters!
2. Once everyone has arrived, take a picture! Post it to Facebook or Instagram and tag The Way World Outreach!
3. Pray! Take a moment to pray with everyone prior to the start of the livestream.
4. Start watching!

Option 1:

1. Grab your phone or tablet!
2. Open The Way World Outreach App!
3. Click the "Watch Live" banner!
4. Start watching!

Option 2:

1. Grab your internet-connected device (SmartTV, Roku, Laptop, etc.) - you can use anything that allows you to access the internet!
2. Open up YouTube on your web browser (Google Chrome, Firefox, Safari, etc.) - you can also just open up the YouTube app if you have it.
3. Search YouTube for "The Way World Outreach"
4. Click on the "The Way World Outreach" channel
5. During the livestream, it will be the first video you see, right at the top of the page!
6. Start watching!

During Your Watch Party!

1. During the worship service, encourage everyone to sing along and be a part of the service.
2. During the message, encourage everyone to take notes and to open their Bibles to the passage Pastor Marco is sharing from.
3. During the offering, encourage everyone to open the Way app on their phone so that they can give. There is a special fund designation just for watch parties called "WayFam - Watch Parties."
4. At the end of the livestream, take a moment to ask if anyone would like to commit their lives to Christ. Pray with those who do and ask for any other prayer requests people may have.

5. What happened? Did you experience something special? Did someone get saved? Any prayer requests or praise reports you'd like to share? Take a moment to report them!
6. YOU DID IT!!! You just hosted your first amazing Way World Outreach Watch Party! Congratulations!