# Make Room Christmas 2021

## **Key Scripture**

<sup>7</sup> and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them. <sup>8</sup> And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. 9 An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. <sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup> This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."<sup>13</sup> Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

<sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

<sup>15</sup> When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."16 So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup> When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, 18 and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. <sup>19</sup> But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup> The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told

Luke 2:7-19

# Start Talking: Find a conversation starter for your group. (15 Min)

TALK IT OVER

- When was the last time you moved? What did you end up throwing out or leaving behind?
- What is there more room for in your life? Or is there any room?

### Head: Start Thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking. (10 Min)

- Read Luke 2:7-19. What are somethings that stick out in those verse for you?
- Who made room for Jesus?
- What effect did this night have on Mary? Why?

### Heart: Start Sharing. Choose a question to create openness. (10 Min)

- How have you made room for Jesus this Christmas?
- What would it look like to make more room for Him every day, and not just Christmas?
- What are the things that you treasure up and ponder in your heart?

### Hands: Start Doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week. (10 Min)

- Freeze a memory in your mind that gave you Joy, and then give then share that Joy with someone else.
- What is one way you can make more room in your life? Give it a try for 2022!

#### Start Praying. Be bold and pray with power. (15 Min)

• For suggestions on structuring prayer time, see the *Group Prayer Ideas* page in this packet.

#### Trios: Split into same-gender groups of three. (15 Min)

- 1. What's a passage of scripture that has impacted you this week? Read it to the group and explain why.
- 2. Is there anything God is leading you to repent of?
- 3. How's your weekly 3-2-1 challenge going? (3 Conversations with New People, Learn 2 Names, Make 1 Meaningful Connection)
- 4. Who is one non-believer that you need to reach out to this week?
- 5. What's something you'd like someone else to check in with you about this week?
- 6. Pray for one another.