

What Does A Host Do?

In the last session, we talked about what is a HotSpot Host, so in this video, I will explain what a HotSpot Host does. To explain what a HotSpot Host does, we have an acrostic to help you remember – H.O.S.T.

The H represents “Help.” As a HotSpot Host, you help people become intentional in following Christ. Based on the Great Commandment and Great Commission, you model intentionality for your HotSpot in three areas: loving God, loving others, and sharing faith. We call these three areas, Study, Serve and Share.

We will delve into more detail in later videos, but here is a quick summary. We “Study” the Bible weekly to learn Who God is and how He wants us to love Him. And several times a year, we do both “Serve” and “Share” events. Serve events are opportunities to bless the community by serving those in need, and Share events are occasions where we do something fun and invite people who are not following Christ to join us.

Remember you are not introducing people to a disciple-maker or a pastor, you are the disciple-maker! Each week, we help you by providing an internet video Bible message; however, you are the one who facilitates the weekly discussion, and model’s intentionality to your HotSpot on how to follow the Great Commandment and the Great Commission.

The O represents “Open.” At Cross Waves Church, we do not use church buildings. We don’t own any church buildings, so we meet in our HotSpot Host’s homes. This is a family atmosphere where people can open up about their views on God. People feel more comfortable within a family setting versus an institutional church. And as we’ll discuss in later videos,

it allows us to put so much more money into community and mission to help others find Christ. Cross Waves HotSpots are environments that are never combative, abusive, or judgmental, but instead are loving, gentle, and kind. Everyone is treated as family and everyone is considered equal.

The S represents “Supper.” When we eat together, there is a bonding process that happens. Having dinner together sets up a comfortable atmosphere for dialogue and fellowship. Please remember that the meal is not a big deal. Our HotSpots Hosts serve hot dogs, lasagna, spaghetti, pizza, hamburgers, and a variety of all other types of easy meals. Most of our HotSpots suppers are potlucks. Even if the HotSpot Host is providing the main dish, others in the HotSpot bring the sides.

The T represents “TV.” Many have joked that this may be the hardest part of what a HotSpot Host does, since many of us are technologically challenged. However, with a little bit of investigation, you will find someone you know that can help you hook up your TV to the Internet.

It really is that simple! People meet in your home each week at a certain time on a certain day. You spend about 40 minutes eating together; 15 to 20 minutes in prayer for each other; 10 minutes in singing, and 30 minutes listening to the weekly Bible message. Add about 20 minutes for discussion at the end of the message, and you are done in about two hours.

So, there you have it - the answer to “What does a HotSpot Host do?”

A very simple and doable plan that all of us who take the Great Commission seriously can do. We promise you that whenever you're intentionally helping others follow Christ, you will feel peace and

contentment. Therefore, ask yourself, am I ready for this? We believe you are!