

HOMEWORK



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Ideas to reconnect while being socially distant:



MOVIE PARTY

A great and fun way to watch TV or a favorite movie together while still miles away! Teleparty, previously Netflixparty.com, is a chrome browser extension that has worked out the synchronization problems for playback. It allows you to stream from Netflix, Disney+ (The Mandalorian anyone?!), Hulu, and HBO. Plus, it has a chat feature where you can express your feelings about what your watching! Just install Teleparty chrome extension from Chrome web store or Teleparty for more information and download.



BOOK CLUB

Free books and audiobooks available via Hoopla or Libby Apps (connect to your local library). Free public domain audiobooks available via LibriVox.org.

Whether you are an avid reader or would love to read but do not know where to begin, joining a book club is a great way to connect with others. As a group, you can choose books to read by genre (pick one genre or do different ones), or by favorites. If you are a foodie, then a fun book that includes recipes as part of the story would work great! Check out Mystery with Recipes Books list from Goodreads (can create a free account), or 10 Scrumptious Culinary Cozy Mysteries list from bookriot.com.



EXERCISE CLUB

If you are not ready to venture into a gym just yet, but want to get back in shape, then Zoom with a friend and share screen with your favorite exercise video. YouTube can provide plenty of options for exercise routines that do not need equipment. In addition, you can start with a devotional every day you meet, so not only your body will become healthier but your spirit will be enlightened as well.

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BREATHING ROOM

For Women – 28 Day Devotions and Activity Pages, 4 Sets of Group Discussion Questions, and 4 videos

For Moms – 6-week devotional with activity pages, weekly group discussion questions, and 6 videos

“Do you ever feel like you don't enjoy anything because you're trying to do everything? You're efficient . . . but exhausted. You could use a little bit of breathing room. With one surprisingly simple invitation, God offers a way to trade your overwhelming pace for one that will finally bring you peace. These devotionals will show you how.” Breathingroom.org



VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR

Any mixologists on the house? Gather to unwind from the day with a good soda or a mixed drink and friends. Get to know new people or create deeper bonds with your family and friends as you discuss the day, the week, or just the delicious drinks and how to make them. Share recipes for a good cocktail while resolving those troublesome moments of life.



VIRTUAL MURDER MYSTERY

Murder Mystery Zoom Parties by murdermysteryco.com

One of YOU will be the criminal!

Host your own private murder mystery party. You and your guests can pick from our many party themes and even get in character by dressing to the theme or era. Our professional “murder-pros” will help advance the plot as you uncover clues and solve the mystery of whodunnit. By the party's end you and your team will discover who committed the crime from your pool of suspects, including your fellow guests!”

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MARQUESINA PARTY

'Marquesina' is the word Puerto Ricans use for 'garage', and many parties are held in them. Reconnect with your neighbors or friends and gather around the 'marquesina' (your driveway and sidewalk). Everyone sits 6 ft apart, wears their masks, and brings their own food and drink.

SKRIBBL.IO NIGHT

Curious to see how a drawing using the computer mouse will look like? Get a few laughs trying to play Pictionary with Skribbl.io and guess the drawing. This is a free multi-player drawing and guessing game. Go to the website, enter your name, create a private room and invite your friends.

VIRTUAL DINNER PARTY

Make it a culinary experience or just a pizza night. All you need to do is set up Zoom or Google Meet and place your computer where everyone can see you. Then, just sit and enjoy the meal with awesome company. Everyone can eat something different and share recipes, or everyone prepares the same meal and compares notes. But, if there is no time to be a culinary chef, just order out.

SMALL GROUP

Any time you gather, you do so as a small group, whether it is to play golf regularly or study a book of the Bible. What you end up doing depends on what the group wants. However, a traditional small group study setting is still a perfect way to get to know Jesus and people at a deeper level. It provides more of a learning and social structure for your spiritual growth to flourish in safety and love. It is not always a study that you gather for, but also a way to do life together in fellowship. If you are interested in facilitating a group like this, we will train you and prepare you so you can facilitate the discussion in your own group.

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