

EAGLE MOUNTAIN

Encounter God, Find Your People, Change Your World.



Sunday's With Eagle Mountain!
local gathering host handbook

Welcome & Thank You!

First, let me say this clearly.

Thank you.

By choosing to host a Local Gathering, you are stepping into something far more significant than “having people over.” You are partnering with heaven. You are creating space for God to move. And you are helping steward what the Lord is doing through Eagle Mountain Church—week after week.

My name is Chris Behnke, and I serve as the Pastor of Innovation at Eagle Mountain Church. It’s truly an honor to welcome you into this.

What you are hosting is not just a livestream. It’s church. It’s a consistent rhythm of worship, teaching, prayer, and community—experienced together in your home, with the people God has entrusted to you.

Every Sunday, as Eagle Mountain gathers, your home becomes part of that gathering.

And your space—your hospitality, your intentionality, your yes—is part of how God is choosing to meet people, form community, and build His Church far beyond our walls.

HOST A LOCAL GATHERING

Why Hosting Matters (More Than You Know)

Hospitality has always been sacred in the Kingdom of God.

From the early church gathering in homes, to Jesus breaking bread around tables, to moments where entire households encountered God—space matters. Intention matters.

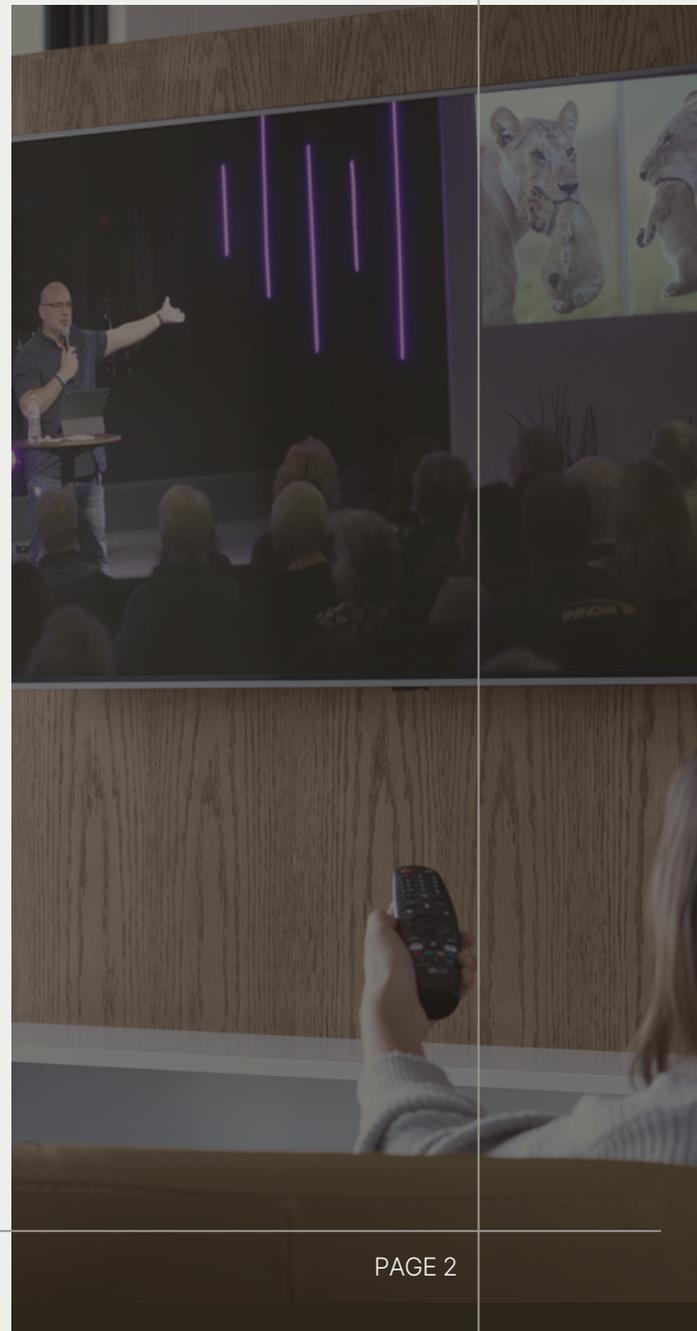
By opening your home or location, you are:

- Stewarding the presence of God
- Stewarding hope for those you host
- Stewarding connection and community
- Stewarding prophetic words that shape futures

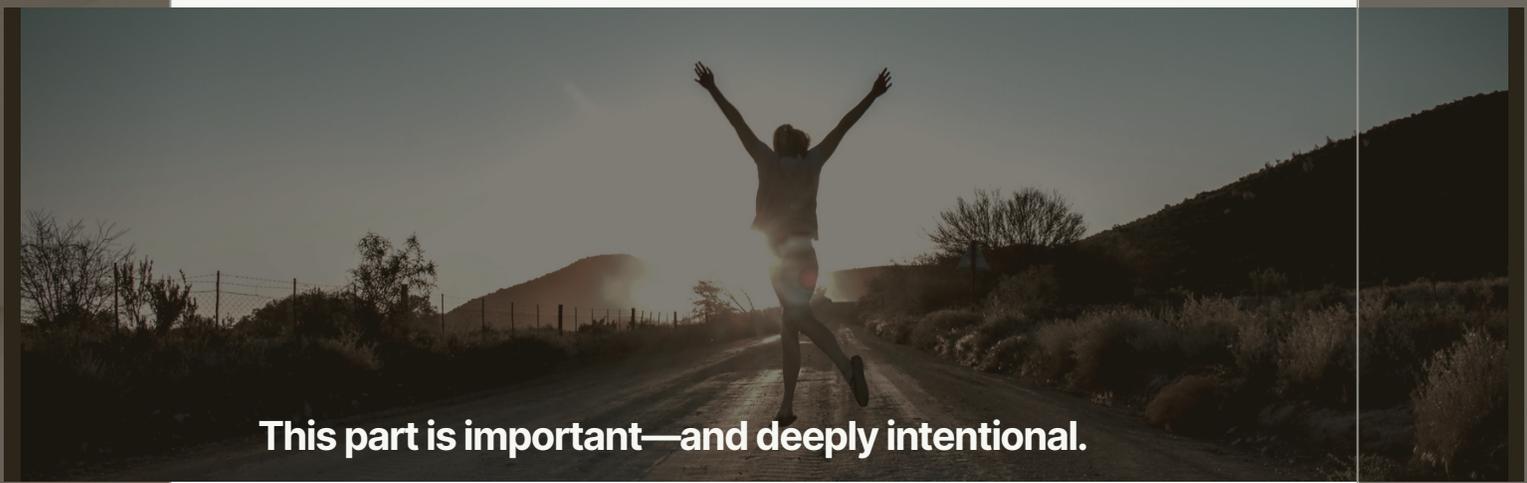
Scripture tells us that when we open our homes with faith and love, we often entertain far more than we realize. Throughout the Bible, God repeatedly uses homes, tables, and ordinary spaces to accomplish extraordinary things.

Moments of healing, revelation, repentance, and calling have often unfolded not in grand buildings, but in living rooms, around meals, and among people who simply made room for God and for one another.

When you open your home with intention, you are doing more than creating a comfortable environment. You are creating space for the presence of God to rest, move, and meet people where they are.



We're Praying for YOU

A person is captured in a moment of joy, jumping with their arms raised high in the air. They are silhouetted against a bright, hazy sunset or sunrise over a desert landscape. The scene is framed by a dark border, and the overall mood is one of hope and celebration.

This part is important—and deeply intentional.

You are not doing this alone.

Our Eagle Mountain prayer team is actively covering our Local Gatherings—praying for the people, the homes, and the moments where God meets us week after week.

They are praying:

- For peace in your home
- For clarity and genuine connection
- For protection from distraction and discouragement
- For hearts to be open and receptive
- For the presence of God to be tangible and unmistakable

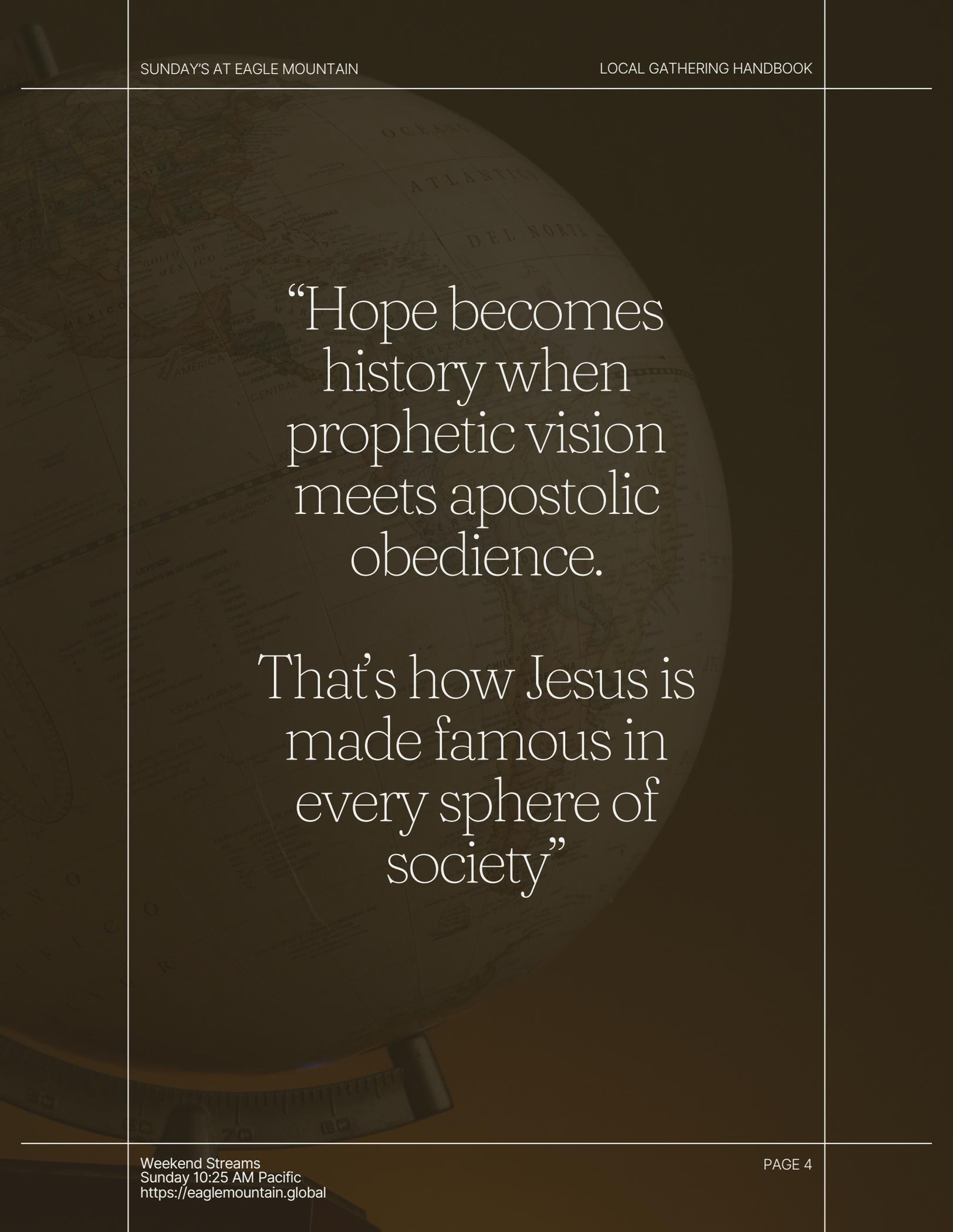
We also want to pray with you.

If there are specific needs, situations, or prayer requests related to your Local Gathering—or the people you are hosting—we invite you to reach out and let us know. You can email any prayer requests to:

connect@eaglemountain.global

Our team reads these, prays intentionally, and stands with you in faith.

This simple act of sharing and covering your gathering in prayer is a powerful way to align hearts, strengthen community, and posture your group for what God wants to do—both on Sundays and beyond.



“Hope becomes
history when
prophetic vision
meets apostolic
obedience.

That’s how Jesus is
made famous in
every sphere of
society”



SUNDAY'S AT EAGLE MOUNTAIN

LOCAL GATHERING HANDBOOK

Everyone Should Register

Even though people may be physically with you, we ask that everyone attending your Local Gathering should connect with us individually and, if possible, download the Eagle Mountain app.

Why does this matter?

Because registration and app access help ensure:

- Easy access to full replays of Sunday services
- Ongoing communication, updates, and resources
- A consistent connection to Eagle Mountain Church

No one misses what God is doing—inside or outside your gathering

The Eagle Mountain app is the best way to stay connected, watch services, and engage with church life throughout the week. You can learn more about the app and how to install it here:

👉 <https://eaglemountain.global/app>

For those who are unable to attend your Local Gathering on a given Sunday, services can always be watched online at:

👉 <https://eaglemountain.global/watch>

We encourage you to help your group take this simple step. It allows us to serve them well, stay connected beyond Sundays, and continue building together as one church—no matter where people live.

Preparing the Space (This Matters)

The Environment Is Your Opportunity To Steward The Experience Of Your Gathering

Before guests arrive—before the livestream begins—take time to prepare intentionally.

Pray Over the Space

We encourage you to:

- Walk through your space in prayer
- Invite the Holy Spirit to fill every room
- Declare peace, clarity, and expectation
- Ask God to remove distractions—internal and external

This doesn't need to be complicated. It just needs to be sincere.

Create an Environment of Focus

- Choose a room where distractions are minimal
- Silence unnecessary notifications
- Ask guests to arrive early, not right at start time
- Consider light worship music playing as people arrive

The goal is simple:

When each Sunday service begins, everyone is present—heart, mind, and spirit.



Technology & Audio Check

Nothing pulls people out of a moment faster than technical issues.

Before the each Sunday:

- Test your internet connection
- Test video and audio levels
- Make sure sound is clear and loud enough for the group
- Check lighting so people can see comfortably

If you're using a TV, projector, or computer—test everything ahead of time.

A smooth experience helps everyone stay engaged with what God is doing.

How to Watch & Connect

Best Option: Eagle Mountain App

We strongly recommend watching through the Eagle Mountain app on a Smart TV.

You can find it by searching: "Eagle Mountain Bend" (3 separate words)

The app is available on:

- Roku
- Apple TV
- Amazon Fire TV

This provides the most stable and immersive experience for Local Gatherings.

You can find a link and more info about our apps here:

<https://eaglemountain.global/app>

Create Space for Community

A Local Gathering is about more than watching a service together.

It's about connection, conversation, and shared life.

Consider:

- Light snacks or simple refreshments
- Coffee, tea, or drinks
- Comfortable seating that invites people to stay
- Encouraging conversation before the service begins

Simple hospitality goes a long way.

These moments—before and after the service—often become the places where relationships deepen, encouragement happens, and people feel truly seen and known.

Church doesn't begin when the stream starts.

It begins when people gather—together, with expectation.

What you can expect each Sunday

Each Sunday, your Local Gathering will participate in the same service happening at Eagle Mountain Church—sharing in worship, teaching, prayer, and the presence of God together.

You'll hear biblical teaching, prophetic encouragement, and practical insight from Eagle Mountain's pastoral leadership and teaching team.

These are not casual moments.

They are intentional, Spirit-led, and designed to bring clarity, alignment, and encouragement for real life.

We believe God speaks—personally and corporately—through His Church. And week after week, many will leave your Local Gathering strengthened in faith, renewed in hope, and more confident in who God has called them to be.

What you are doing matters.

Let me say this again, clearly and personally:

What you are doing matters.

Hosting a Local Gathering is one of the most powerful ways to:

- Step into Kingdom leadership
- Serve others meaningfully
- Create space for God to move
- Start the year aligned, encouraged, and connected

Thank you for **saying yes**.

Thank you for **opening your home**.

Thank you for **stewarding each Sunday with us**.

We are honored to stand with you.

With gratitude and expectation,

Chris Behnke
Pastor of Innovation
Eagle Mountain Church