

How to start a Lego/bricks club

TARGET AUDIENCE
CHILDREN AGED 6-12 AND THEIR PARENTS

PREPARATION

1. Talk with your church pastor, church board and of course, Mums At The Table.
2. Get other church members involved to help with the event on that day: registration, food prep, mingling, etc. (It can sometimes help to designate "mingling" as your job while the other church members are in charge of running the event.)
3. Collect as many Lego and/or brick pieces as you can.
 - Ask for donations from church members.
 - Scour Facebook marketplace
4. Decide how often you want to meet. Once a week? Once a month? Just make sure it's regular so parents can plan for it.
5. Advertise, advertise, advertise! (That's where Mums At The Table comes in.)
6. Consider setting up a pre-event registration form as this is a great way to obtain your attendees contact details, get to know them a little (name, age of children, etc.) and to keep in touch.
 - This is especially helpful if you only have limited Lego pieces and are not sure if you have enough for everybody (so you can cap attendance)

NOTE: WE CAN HELP YOU ADVERTISE, AS WELL AS SET UP THE PRE-EVENT REGISTRATION PROCESS AND AUTOMATE REMINDERS AND ONGOING COMMUNICATION.

SUGGESTED PROGRAM

1. Welcome, set challenge. See examples [here](#), [here](#), [here](#) and [here](#) (or search "Lego challenges" or "Lego club activity challenges").
2. Share a short inspirational thought or lesson based on the challenge.
3. Free play.
4. Finish. Next meet-up info?

OPTIONAL: YOU CAN PROVIDE MORNING OR AFTERNOON TEA, ALTHOUGH YOU MIGHT WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR NO DIRTY HANDS TOUCHING THE LEGO PIECES!

DAY BEFORE THE EVENT

1. Send out an event reminder via your communication mode of choice (or contact us to set up an automated system)
2. Do you need to provide directions or parking instructions?
3. Do you need to print out photos of the challenge or provide a physical example for participants?
4. Do you have enough pieces for all participants to complete the challenge?
5. Print out the Mums At The Table event registration QR code (not sure what that is? Ask us!).

DAY OF EVENT

1. Signage: Will new attendees be able to clearly see where to go when they arrive? This is especially important if the event is held in the church hall at the back of the church building or down a maze of hallways, and not immediately visible from the street.
2. Registration: Use the Mums At The Table event registration QR code (not sure what that is? Ask us!).
 - Photo permission. If don't want child's image to be on social media or promotional material, to let you know. (As a rule, Mums At The Table will blur out faces of any children, unless permission has been explicitly requested and given.)
3. Mingle with the parents while the kids are doing the challenge.