

Why Celebrate Jesus?

Celebrate Jesus is an all-church event that exists to share the story of Jesus with friends and neighbors in the Copperfield area. Our prayer is that some people will encounter Jesus for the *first* time, while others gain a *deeper* understanding of Jesus' life and mission through their experience of this offering. West Houston provides Celebrate Jesus as an opportunity to focus on the life and ministry of Jesus Christ during a season that can easily be marked with excess and consumerism. We believe Christmas is a special season in which Christ should be central. Toward this end, we Celebrate Jesus with our community!

What is Celebrate Jesus?

Celebrate Jesus is a two-night event hosted on our campus. Twelve scenes provide brief, one-act presentations from different occasions in the life of Jesus. Scenes are constructed around the perimeter of our parking lot, beginning at the front entrance of our building and concluding near our playground area. West Houston participants will dress in first century attire; some playing supporting roles, others acting and speaking to narrate the events of each scene. Guests will either drive through from scene to scene or park their cars and jump on a hayride to be pulled through in small groups. Past years have seen hundreds of cars come through on a given evening, with lines waiting beyond our parking lot!

When is Celebrate Jesus?

This event comes in three stages. First is our build day, scheduled for Saturday, December 1. Scene construction will begin at 9:30 AM. Second is the event itself, on the evenings of Friday and Saturday, December 14 & 15. Celebrate Jesus will run from 6:30-9:30 PM on each of these nights. Third is our cleanup day, planned for Sunday, December 16. Cleanup will take place immediately following our second worship service,

How Can I Help?

There are many moving pieces to this event and several ways to get involved. Past years have required 200 or more people involved on *each* evening to make Celebrate Jesus successful. We need YOUR help! This year we are organizing this project into two primary categories: **Scenes** and **Stations**. Scenes are the one-act sets assembled around our parking lot, each needing costumed workers, some with acting and speaking parts. Stations are everything else, from indoor child-care for our kids to costume shop workers and traffic attendants. There will be 12 Scenes and 7 Stations that need committed workers.

Scenes

1. Census
2. Angel Chorus
3. Manger
4. Carpenter's Shop
5. Temple
6. Sermon on the Mount
7. Jesus and the Children
8. Woman at the Well
9. Last Supper
10. Gethsemane and Crucifixion
11. Tomb
12. Ascension

Stations

1. Traffic
2. Hayride
3. Childcare
4. Kitchen
5. Costumes
6. The Manger Petting Zoo
7. Hospitality & Prayer

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