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Planning Your Child Sponsorship Dinner

By deciding to host this dinner you have made a commitment to helping the lives of the children living in Sudan. We want this dinner to be as valuable and simple as possible. That's why we have suggested these helpful hints in getting your dinner planned.

Here are a few things to consider!

1. Guests

Who you plan to invite is the most important step in this process. Your party can be smaller and more intimate or larger and more relaxed- whatever you feel is best for you! You might want to invite people from your church, your neighbors, some co-workers, your family members, parents from your children's school or activities, the list goes on. Pray about people that you feel may be ready to make a commitment to a child.

2. Location

Once you decide how big your party is going to be, the next step is the location! Is your house a good place for everyone to meet? If not, is there someone else whose house is more suitable due to size or location? Could you use your church as a meeting place? Where can everyone park?

3. Date and Time

Now you need to decide on a day to have the dinner and what time would be best. Consider your guests and their schedules before you set a date. Perhaps a weekend night would be better, or maybe a Saturday lunch, or perhaps everyone could come over after a church meeting or town event. Try your best to make sure that everyone can come so that your dinner will be the best it can be!

4. Materials

On the MWP website you will find postcards for invitations, name place cards, a dinner check-list, comment cards, Sudanese recipes, a "My Story" starter, and a fast facts sheet with information about Make Way Partners that you can share! Contact MWP in advance to be sent brochures and a DVD to share! It's so easy! All you have to do is print them from your computer! Consider selling or purchasing mugs or "Love You Brother" t-shirts at your party to help share about MWP!

5. Agenda

The last step you may want to take is forming an agenda. Under the Setting Up Dinner- Sudan Style section you will find a possible outline that you might want to follow. If that doesn't fit your needs, be creative and form your own! Perhaps you want to share a Make Way Partners video from the website, or have everyone bring their favorite dish to eat! Remember to share your own Child Sponsorship Story! Sharing about your experience with Make Way Partners can make the biggest impact on the hearts of your guests!