



Hi, friends!

Welcome to THERE{4} Gathering 2021! We've been praying for you and can't wait to see what the Lord has in store.

The past year has been hard for everyone. But we know the Lord is still on His throne! He's got us, and He's in control…even when we don't understand the circumstances. When we can't see the full story, isn't it great that we get to have hope in something so much bigger than any of us?

The theme for our 2021 conference is "Abide," from John 15:5. You'll have the opportunity to learn more about the character of Jesus and what it looks like to abide in Him. Get ready for amazing speakers, powerful worship, and opportunities to foster community! We pray every attendee will rediscover the freedom that comes when we live for Christ.

Our 2021 livestream conference is expected to connect with thousands of high school girls around the world. As a Site Host, you are such an important part of this ministry and this Host Guide will give you some great ideas to make the day special for you and those who attend with you. Please take a few minutes to read each section to design your own T{4} experience.

Thank you for your leadership during this special event. We trust that the Lord uses your investment among teen girls to strengthen a lasting foundation for their spiritual future as they seek to abide in Jesus.

Know that we're cheering for you!

All our best,

Tiffany Daniels
Founder





### **CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

#### Friday, February 19

Welcome and Worship 7:00-8:00 pm

Join us for a special pre-conference evening with live worship and a personal message from Jennie Allen, founder of IF:Gathering. Please note, while we think all attendees will love this special evening, anyone can start the conference on Saturday morning and not feel that they have "missed" anything.

#### Saturday, February 20

2021 Livestream Conference

9:00—11:30 am Session #1 11:30—12:30 pm Lunch 12:30—4:00 pm Session #2

\*Please note that all times are Central Standard Time





## **GET MORE FROM T{4}**

Grab some cool T{4} swag for yourself and invite your girls to visit our online store:

◆ T{4} Signature Box contains a 2021 keepsake vine necklace, a beautiful journal for conference notes, an "Abide" sticker, an air freshener, 2 scrunchies, and a pen. There is a limited availability of these boxes. Once they are sold out, they will be unavailable. (Note: Many of these items may be purchased separately)

 Sweatshirts and T-Shirts are a great way to commemorate the conference long afterward.



## YOU ARE SPECIAL!

Every girl deserves to have someone speak God's affirmation, "You are beautiful, you are talented, you are priceless, you are loved." The mission of T{4} is to "inspire the next generation of high school girls to boldly live out their identity in Christ." A girl's identity is simply what God says is true about her through her relationship with Jesus. She *is* smart, beautiful, valuable, worthy, and a priceless treasure in the eyes of God.

At each year's conference, we deliberately try to help girls feel these truths by blessing them with personal gifts (a commemorative necklace and other goodies each year), providing plenty of snacks, engaging them in conversation and plenty of hugs, and looking them in the eyes. What we tell them, we work to show them.

Go the extra mile to make your girls feel special!

# Make it Exciting!

Simple decorations communicate excitement and the uniqueness of an event. You could:

- Put a "Welcome" poster on your front door
- Get some balloons or put up some streamers.
- Print color copies of the art in this packet and place at a snack table
- Coordinate napkins, plates and cups to make it a party
- If watching from home, rearrange the furniture to make your room cozy and inviting
- Make sure you have plenty of throw pillows and throws for girls to get comfortable









# Make it Tasty!

Food is the language of hospitality and values our guests. Snacks can range from the simple to the elaborate. Why not ask a community of friends to provide a few appetizers or lunch as a way of including them in this important ministry? Here are a few ideas for you to feed girl's stomachs while we feed their souls:

- Your girls will think you're the best if you have donuts or bagels and coffee when they arrive in the morning.
- During the day, put out a few snacks for them to graze. Chips with salsa and a pitcher of lemonade is easy and simple. Consider adding queso, yogurt pretzels, pizza rolls, cheese and crackers, a vegetable tray, popcorn, Chex mix, peanuts (be mindful of allergies), brownies or homemade cookies. A bucket of Topo Chicos or La Croix win the day.
- Plan your lunch. Chick-Fil-A is always a winner. Or, perhaps a friend(s) will prepare something special and bring it by right on time.
- Want to go above and beyond? Offer a "candy table" with 4-5 selections for teens to choose from. A





# Add the Fun Factor!

You can complete the T{4} experience for each girl by adding personalized experiences for the girls who attend. For some, this extra attention will be the most memorable part of the conference.

- Make it a sleepover. Invite girls to crash your place on Friday night or cook out after the conference ends and host a sleepover on Saturday night.
- Offer a nail bar during one of the breaks.
- ◆ Add a few giveaways of your own (giftcard to Amazon, Sonic, Starbucks, or Chick-Fil-A; a book; a candle; makeup). NOTE: For each girl to be eligible to win our T{4} giveaways, they must be individually registered. Have each participant register at watch.there4gathering.com.
- Create your own "selfie station" for girls to take photos and post during the conference. Remind them to tag #t42021.

# Get your Space

It's important that you create a space that will be comfortable for each girl attending. We believe that all of our speakers will be amazing and engaging. But, there are a few things you should do (test everything beforehand) to ensure the best experience.

- Use the biggest screen possible. The 2021 Conference will be best viewed on your smart TV screen or via projector. Don't be afraid to ask a friend if you can borrow their TV for the event.
- Make it loud. If possible, use a sound bar or external speakers to make sure the volume is full.
- Rearrange the furniture if necessary to make sure each girl can see easily.
- Consider a different "space" for lunch and breaks.
   Sit around a table or go outside if the weather is pleasant.









# AG You Begin

As girls arrive, make them feel at home and set their expectation of the day together.

- Send a reminder the day before to let them know when to arrive.
- Make introductions if girls don't know one another.
- Make sure girls know where your restroom is.
- Encourage them to put their phones on "silent" but to keep them available for interactive experiences.
   Encourage them to limit distractions (texts, etc.) so that they can hear the Lord speak to them today.
- Make sure that each girl has personally registered for the livestream at watch.there4gathering.com. This will enable them to receive information during and after the event as well as register them for great giveaways.
- Have them download the T{4} mobile app.
- Let them know the general schedule: speakers, break, speaker, lunch, etc.
- Pray over your girls before the first session. You
  might pray for open hearts, healing, life-direction,
  and for each girl to learn what it means for them to
  ABIDE in Jesus Christ.

## Jo Deeper

During a few times in our conference, we will break for girls to connect with each other through some Conversation Cards. This time can be some of the most valuable moments for girls to go deeper with lessons they are learning.

- Encourage them to really take the discussion time seriously. Offer to get them a snack so they don't waste valuable time grazing at the table.
- Throw out questions that might keep them talking:
  - → What's the most memorable thing you heard from the last speaker?
  - → What's God teaching you today?
  - → How is your view of God changing?
  - → What did you think about when (speaker) said (quote)?









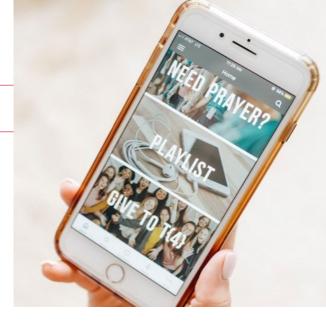
## **CONNECT WITH US**

Connect with T{4} through our mobile app and social media accounts:

- Download the T{4} mobile app for conference schedule, speaker bios and a 6-week daily devotional.
- Follow T{4} on our socials!

Instagram: @there4gathering

Facebook: facebook.com/there4gathering



## **CONNECT WITH OUR SPEAKERS AND ARTISTS**

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Book: Live: Remain Alive, Be Alive at a Specified Time,

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Book: Finding Freedom: An 8 Week Journey Recapturing Your Identity, Faith and Body Image

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Podcast: The Happy Hour with Jamie Ivey

Book: If You Only Knew: My Unlikely, Unavoidable Story

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Book: How to Have Your Life Not Suck

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