

# TAKING CONNECT GROUPS ONLINE

LEADERS' RESOURCE



# PLATFORMS YOU COULD USE



Google Hangouts



Houseparty

# HOW TO USE GOOGLE HANGOUTS

# Step 1: Create your Google account




## Create your Google Account

First name  Last name

Username  @gmail.com

You can use letters, numbers & periods

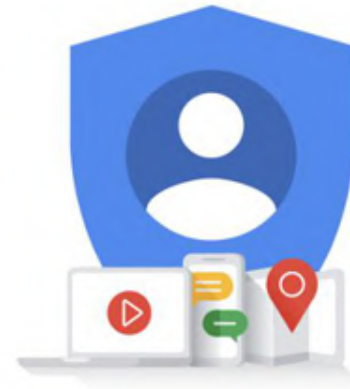
[Use my current email address instead](#)

Password  Confirm  

Use 8 or more characters with a mix of letters, numbers & symbols

[Sign in instead](#)

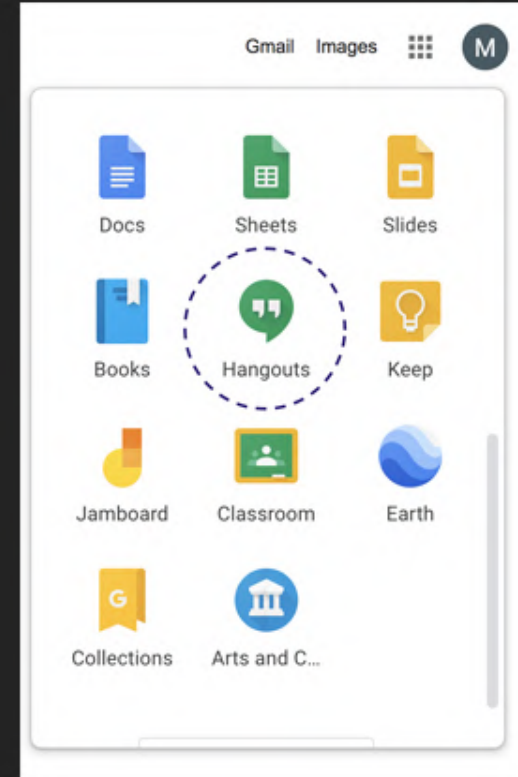
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One account. All of Google working for you.

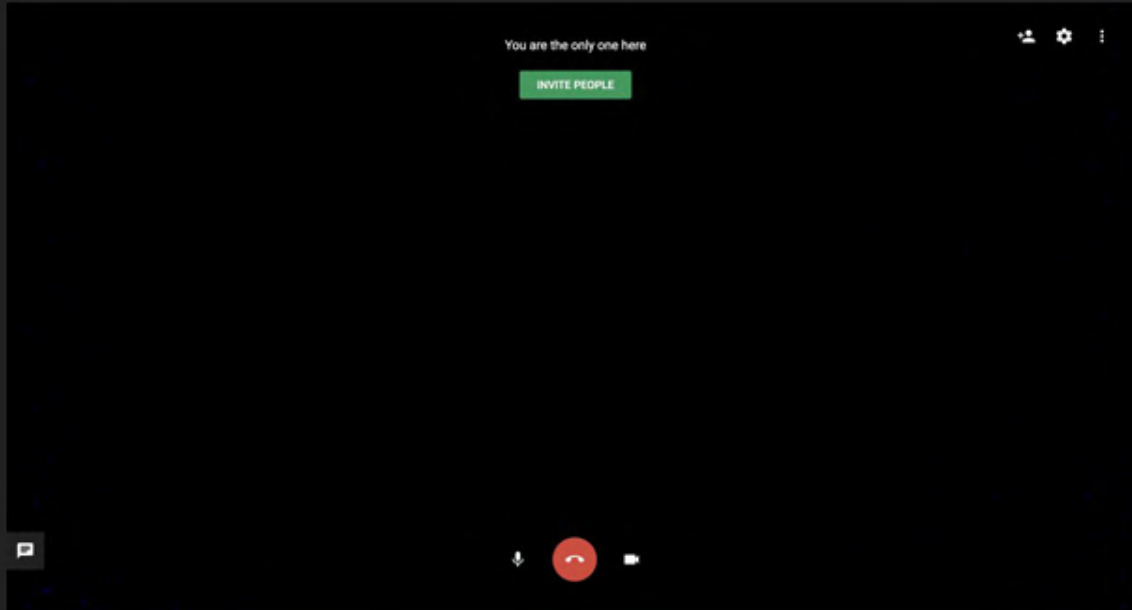
## Step 2: Log into your Google account

Beside the search bar, you'll notice a 9-dot menu icon. Clicking on it will bring up a dropdown list of Google-related platforms. Scroll down to find the "Hangouts" icon.

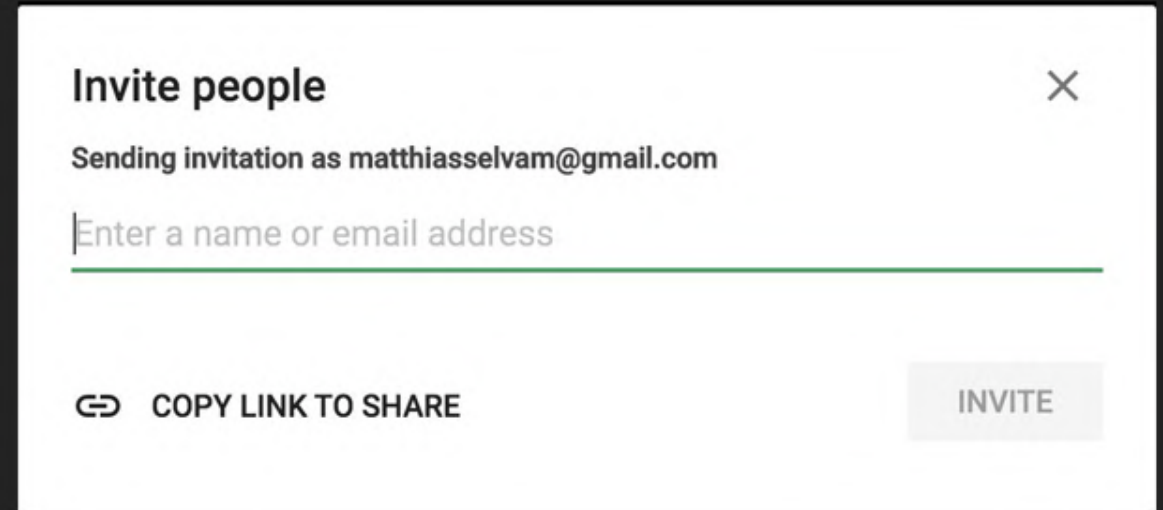


## Step 3: Setup a call and invite your Connect group members to join in!

a. Click the green box,  
"invite people"

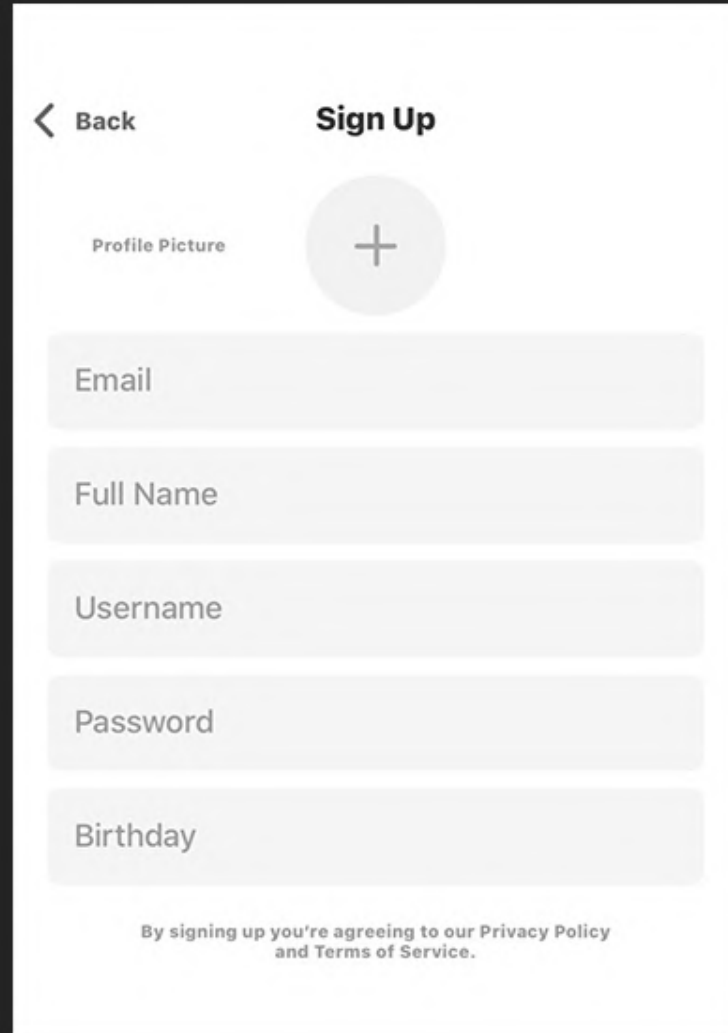


b. Enter in their email address  
or send a link to them  
via yourwhatsapp/telegram  
group chats!




# HOW TO USE HOUSEPARTY

# Step 1: Create your Houseparty account



[← Back](#) **Sign Up**

Profile Picture 

Email

Full Name

Username

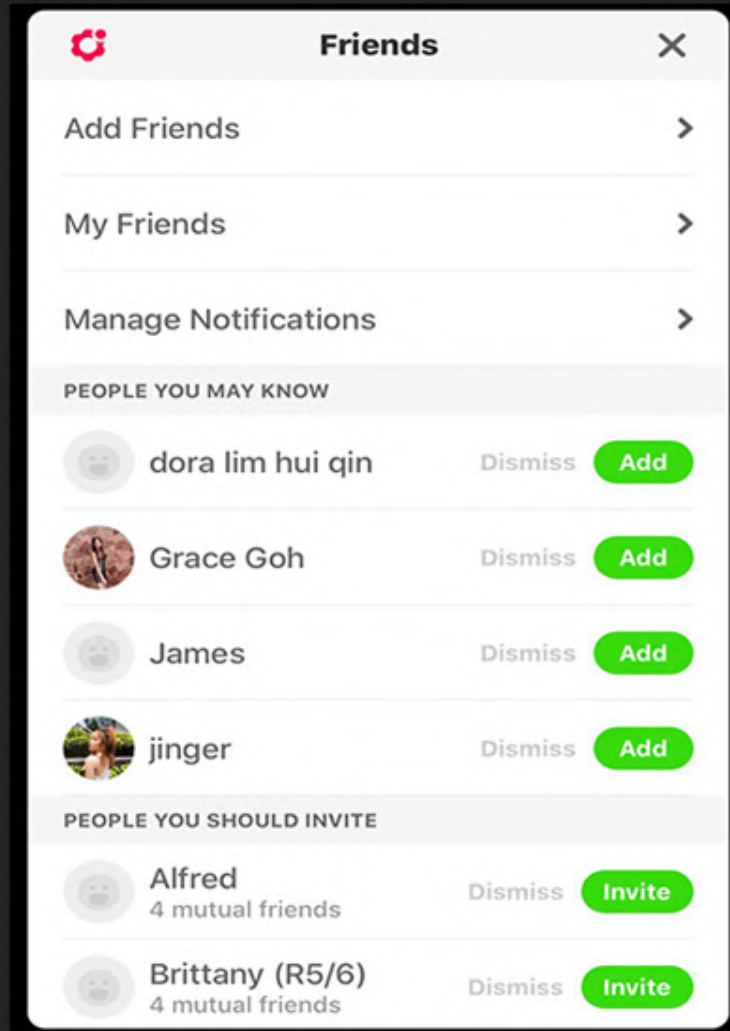
Password

Birthday

By signing up you're agreeing to our [Privacy Policy](#) and [Terms of Service](#).

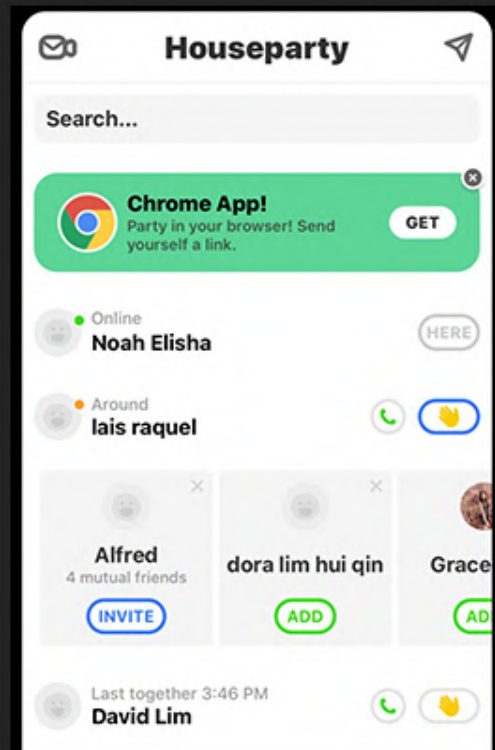


# Step 2: Log into your Houseparty account

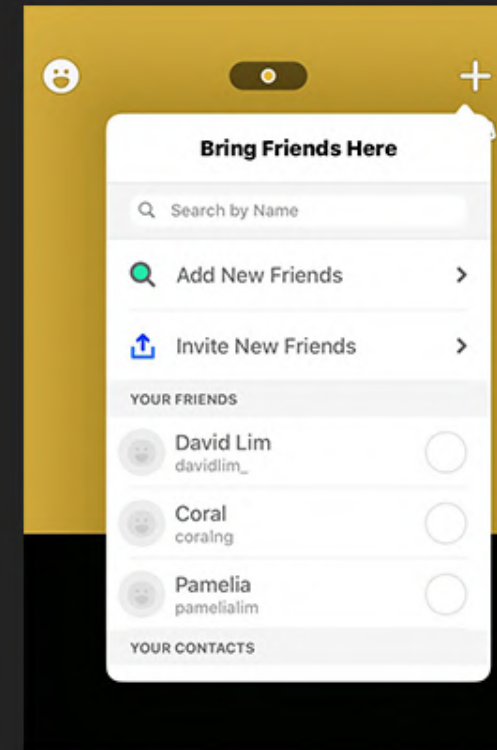


# Step 3: Setup a call and invite your Connect group members to join in!

a. Click the phone icon



b. Click "Invite New Friends" and send URL link to your members



# HOW TO RUN CG

# CG FORMAT

Testimonies and Fellowship - 15 minutes

Lesson - 15 minutes

Prayer - 10 minutes

Check-In and Announcements - 5 minutes

# HOW TO RUN CG

## 1. FOCUS ON CONNECTION

- a. Facilitate interaction, ask questions!
- b. As much as possible, have everyone show their face.
- c. Respond during the lesson via actions and chat functions.

## 2. GIVE CLEAR DIRECTIONS

- a. Use a mic to ensure your speech is clear  
(Apple earphone mics will do).
- b. Call on specific people to answer questions.
- c. For prayer needs, assign people to pray in a specific order.

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## 3. KEEP IT SHORT

- a. This keeps it engaging. Videos aren't naturally as engaging as face-to-face interactions.
- b. Set up and prepare beforehand so CG time isn't spent troubleshooting.

## 4. KEEP IT CONSISTENT

- a. Meet at the same time each week.

## 5. SPEAK LIFE AND ENCOURAGEMENT

- a. Build people up
- b. Lead conversations that inspires hope
- c. If a sensitive issue or problem comes up, follow up individually

**ANNEX**

# ICEBREAKER/CONNECTION QUESTIONS

- If you could pick up a new skill instantly, what would it be?
- What was your first job?
- What's the best thing that has happened this week?
- Tell us about a hidden talent.
- Which is your favourite machine in the office?
- What's the weirdest food you've eaten?
- Would you rather be able to fly, or breathe underwater?



# ICEBREAKER/CONNECTION QUESTIONS

- If you could have an unlimited supply of one thing for the rest of your life, what would it be?
- What's the best piece of advice you've been given?
- If you could live anywhere for a year, where would it be?
- Would you rather be the funniest or smartest person in the room?