

Host families have a unique window into the lives of Connexions participants who may come from the far reaches of the world, or from around the corner. Participants need a quiet, private space to pray and study. They also need the give and take of life in a real home where real people are ready with an encouraging word, a good meal, and the willingness to share in the struggle. Everyone is enriched in the process. Those who have had the experience of sharing in the life of a participant have known it to be a great privilege to minister to the needs of those who are dedicating themselves to a rigorous pursuit of God's best.

Connexions participants come from all over the world, and will go all over the world. For a brief while, they will live in our midst. They are being transformed, preparing to be used to transform the Church. Host families have a vital part.

Host family homes are the backbone of the Connexions experience. Those who are giving themselves to the rigors of the transformational experience need the community and haven of a supportive home for shelter, sustenance and friendship.

Host families may be the participant's personal family. This is a special challenge as everyone is stretched by the demands of the required studies and the different schedule.

Host families may be those who open their homes to take in a local or international participant for the nearly year-long adventure.

Host families also may be those who will provide a month of financial support for international participants who are here with their own family.

**Please consider if this
is right for you.**

(see reverse for information on how to be a part)

The Basics

Schedule The participants will need the support and fellowship of a family, but their lifestyle is different! They will be in attendance for studies Tuesday through Saturday. Monday is for personal business. Sunday morning and Wednesday evening church participation is required. Holidays will be similar to the local community school system.

Study Space While studying the Word of God, and completing the rigorous Connexions curriculum, a quiet place to study and access to a computer, where they will not be disturbed, is essential. (Web access is not necessary.)

Meals The host family is expected to provide meals for those who are living with them. Sometimes Connexions will take short trips away. Money will sometimes be required for those meals also.

Clothing Some participants are unprepared for our northern Indiana climate. To be certain that basic needs are met, communicate openly with the Connexions administrators to obtain what is necessary.

Transportation If your family schedule does not fit the Connexions schedule, work with us to find alternatives. Sometimes a ride can be obtained with a brother/sister already coming to church or going by church.

What kind of family is a Host family?

Host families are active people, dedicated to the Lord and to His church. They are generous according to the way God has gifted them to share. They may **continue to support a son or daughter**, they may **open their home to another** or they may **share in the financial support** of a participant who lives independently.

Is your family one of these?

Son or Daughter - Your family member might seem like a stranger in your midst because of the radical change in lifestyle. Please continue to hold him up in prayer and encouragement.

Open Home - We work actively with you to overcome any hindrances. The church has many willing people who help in creative and surprising ways.

Financial Support - Some participants have families of their own and need to live independently. You can volunteer to pay housing and utility costs for a month or more.

Host Family Homes

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