

Hospitality Ideas

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Random Acts of Kindness - Pay It Forward - Kindness Matters

We have all heard these phrases used before. Now, let's add the phrase **Spontaneous Hospitality**. That means to do something on the spur of the moment, off the cuff, just because. All of us like surprises that bring us pleasure. But doesn't it bring even more pleasure to do something nice for someone without expecting anything in return? That's **Spontaneous Hospitality!** And it can happen every day. Try some of these suggestions (none of these are new, but all are worth repeating) and see if it doesn't bring you some unexpected pleasure.

✧ Going through a toll booth?
Pay for the car behind you.

✧ Allow someone to go in front of you in the grocery store line.

✧ Call a younger/older woman from church that you might not know very well and invite her to go through the Dairy Queen or McDonalds drive-thru for lunch. Then take the lunch to a park where you can enjoy each other's company in the great outdoors.

✧ Send a "thinking of you" card to a friend or someone in your church just because.

✧ Invite a widow or widower to go to lunch with you after church some Sunday.

✧ Offer to take the children of one of your church families to the library to give Mom or Dad a bit of a break.

✧ Going to the grocery store? Call one of your church's homebound to see if there is something you could pick up for them.

✧ Invite a child to your home to help you make cookies. And be sure to have a tea party to enjoy the cookies!

✧ Do you have a favorite household chore that you enjoy doing? Cleaning windows, dusting, vacuuming, laundry, rearranging furniture? Offer to help someone else with one of those chores who might not have time to do it.

**Each day we can find one thing we can do to practice
Spontaneous Hospitality.**

Give it a try!

You might just be the one who receives the most pleasure!



*Do not forget to show
hospitality to strangers,
for by so doing some
people have shown
hospitality to angels
without knowing it.*

Hebrews 13:2



**SPONTANEOUS
HOSPITALITY**

