

Celebrate Together

SLIDE 1: URC 50th anniversary logo – faith hope love since 1972

SLIDE2: Celebrate together! (front cover of book) and invitation:

you are invited to join our celebration

point to different people of different ages and say 'you are invited... and you... and you'

SLIDE 3: 2022 is the URC's Jubilee Year – it will be 50 years old.

You are invited to our Jubilee party. Join the fun and find out more about the URC.
Let's share our stories and celebrate together.

SLIDE 4: [getting ready for a party]

We're going to have the

SLIDE 6 [people greeting each other]

Everyone's dressed for a party
with sparkles and colours galore.
We hug and we smile as we greet all our guests
as they skip, walk and wheel through the door.

We place our gifts on the table,
and find a place to sit down.
It's so good to be all together again
to share the best party in town.





SLIDE 11: [someone reading the Jubilee story from the Bible]

Let me tell you of a great celebration -
every fifty years a JUBILEE!

Debts are forgiven, homes are returned,
prisoners and slaves are set free.

Let's join in the jubilation:
shouts of joy and trumpet blast.

The land and the people can rest
for God's justice and mercy will last.

[ask one or more of these questions – encourage people of all ages to share their answers]

- < Did you know Jubilee is from the Bible – what do you like best about it?
- < What wrongs would you want to put right in this Jubilee year?
- < What is this group / church doing to celebrate the URC's Jubilee?

SLIDE 12: [people getting ready to leave]

Soon the party is over -
but nobody's ready to go.
We beg for one more party game
but the answer is definitely 'No!'

Nobody leaves empty handed,
there's gift bags for me and for you.
It comes with a slice of the fabulous cake,
and other surprises too.

[ask one or more of these questions – encourage people of all ages to share their answers]

- < How do you feel when it's time to leave a party?
- < What is the best thing you have had in a goodie bag?
- < What do you take away from this group / church?

SLIDE 13: [clearing up]

There's one last job to be sorted -
it's time to tidy away:
wash up and recycle the rubbish,
saving bits for the next special day.



SLIDE 14: [everyone waving goodbye]

Now the party is over -
it's been such a fabulous day!
We're tired, and happy, our tummies are full,
but it's time to be on our way.

We leave with lots of new memories.
We'll be talking about it for days.
We look forward to when we can gather again
and celebrate in old and new ways.

[ask one or more of these questions – encourage people of all ages to share their answers]

- ◁ Do you find it hard to say goodbye?
- ◁ What celebrations have you missed over the

