

## Christian Family Fun - Faith-Filled Summer Fun

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Take time to enjoy the good weather God grants us. If you are tight on money, look around for free opportunities to strengthen your family.



**Picnic.** Maybe making sandwiches and visiting a park would make your kids' day. Take a few toys and play catch. Or, find a free concert in the park.

**Fish.** Perhaps fishing is something you enjoy, but haven't done since last year. Make it a family event, and teach your children to bait the hook and cast. You may not catch many fish, but your kids will remember the family togetherness.

**Bake.** Bake bread or cookies together; it doesn't take much money if you bake from scratch, yet it's a family activity that will live in your memories for years to come.

**Camp.** Camping is fairly cheap, but it's free when it's in your own backyard or at a relative's place. Going to Grandma and Grandpa's house may become an adventure when you set your tent up in their field.

Summer vacation is a time off from school, not from God. He never takes a vacation from us. He's always there. Sometimes we forget that because we distance ourselves from Him, thinking that we need a vacation from everything. Whether we are camping on the weekend, traveling to a tournament, coming home from a wedding -- whatever causes us to miss a worship service -- we need to remember to worship God. Stay connected. Pray, and have family devotions. If you go on a family vacation, go to a church near your vacation spot (that's fun!) and notice that God is always with you.