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				August 1 st to 3 rd is Virginia's Tax Free Shopping time for back to school. While shopping for your family buy some extras to share with a less fortunate family, so their children are ready for the new School Year.	1 Remember that Fridays are FAMILY FUN NIGHT ... Make a special dinner, play games together, and/or watch a movie. Share your blessings of being a family.	2 Bake your families favorite cookies and make ice cream sandwiches with them. National Ice Cream Sandwich Day
3 Read Matthew 14:13-21 Friendship Day - invite a friend to come to Church	4 Learn about the Coastguard and the importance of it to our Country. U.S. Coastguard Day	5 If you have any summer homework or reading to do...this would be a perfect time to get it done.	6 Take a walk in the grass, and wiggle your toes. See how it feels. Do you think Jesus did this as a little boy? Wiggle Your Toes Day	7 Learn and sing the song "This Little Light of Mine". Talk about the importance of Lighthouses to ship Captains and how God lights our path. National Lighthouse Day	8 FRIDAY FAMILY FUN NIGHT	9 Read a favorite book together or a favorite Bible Story. Draw a picture to remember the story and post it on your refrigerator. Book Lover's Day
10 Read Matthew 14:22-33 National S'mores Day ...make S'mores as a Family	11 Talk to your Mom and/or Dad about their life as a son and/or daughter. How do you think Jesus felt as God's only Son? Son and Daughter Day	12 If you have been keeping a family journal of activities for the summer or a prayer journal, make sure it is up to date. If you have not, there is still time to start one.	13 Do everything today with your left hand...if you are left handed, try doing everything right handed. Left Handers Day	14 Visit your local park. Take a trash bag with you and help clean up the area.	15 FRIDAY FAMILY FUN NIGHT Relaxation Day	16 Have a family joke night. You might want to go to the Library and check out some books on telling jokes. National Tell A Joke Day
17 Read Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28	18 Decorate the sidewalks with chalk art. Make some homemade chalk. babyparenting.about.com/od/summerfun/a/summer8.htm	19 Learn something about the Wright Brother's and what they have to do with aviation. Make a paper airplane with a friend. See which airplane flies the farthest. Aviation Day	20 Learn about the History of the Radio. Tell a story about Jesus like you are a radio announcer. Find a favorite radio station to listen to today. National Radio Day	21 Make a card for an older adult who might be shut-in or at a Nursing Home. Bake some cookies or take some flowers to them too. Senior Citizen Day	22 FRIDAY FAMILY FUN NIGHT Be an Angel Day	23 Pack a picnic. And plop down to eat it just about anywhere, at a free concert, in a state park or in your own backyard.
24 Read Matthew 16:13-20	25 It is getting close to the end of the summer. Start getting your summer pictures together, and work on completing your scrapbook.	26 Have a cool water day. Go to the pool or play in the sprinkler at home. Make homemade popsicles for a snack and share them.	27 Learn about Global Forgiveness Day. Discuss the portion of the Lord's Prayer that talks about forgiveness. Global Forgiveness Day	28 It is getting closer to the end of the summer. Take time to talk about family plans and ideas for the fall.	29 FRIDAY FAMILY FUN NIGHT	30 Have a camp out in your backyard with your family and friends. Toast marshmallows Toasted Marshmallow Day
31 Read Matthew 16:21-28 National Trail Mix Day ... Make a healthy Trail Mix that your family would like.	Notes: The FAITH 5 connects church to home, faith to life, and parents to kids in a powerful way. The five steps of the FAITH5 <i>Step one: Share highs and lows</i> <i>Step two: Read a verse from your Bible</i> <i>Step three: Talk about how the verse relates to your highs and lows</i> <i>Step four: Pray for one another's highs and lows</i> <i>Step five: Bless one another</i>					