

FCC Family Corner – September 2026

September Family Faith Challenge: “Stay Rooted”

Week 1 — ROOTED IN THE WORD

Activity: Family Tree

Have each family draw a tree together. On the **roots**, write ways your family can grow deeper in God's Word: *Bible reading, church, Sunday School, devotionals, Scripture memory, etc.*

Then choose **one Bible verse** for the family to memorize during the week—Colossians 2:6–7 would be perfect.

Do together: Spend 10 minutes each day reading the verse and talking about what it means.

Family question: *What happens to a tree if it doesn't have strong roots? What happens to us if we don't spend time in God's Word?*

Week 2 — ROOTED IN PRAYER

Activity: Prayer Roots

Give everyone a piece of paper. Draw a tree trunk with several roots coming out of it. On each root, write the name of someone or something your family wants to pray for.

Examples:

- School
- Teachers
- Friends
- Family members
- Church
- Someone who doesn't know Jesus

Put the tree somewhere your family will see it throughout the week.

Do together: Pick one “root” each night and pray for it together.

Family question: *How does prayer help keep us connected to God?*

Week 3 — ROOTED IN COMMUNITY

Activity: Don't Grow Alone

Talk about how a tree doesn't grow in isolation. It is affected by the soil, water, sunlight, and the environment around it.

Then talk about how **we need other believers**.

Have each family member name **one person who helps them grow closer to Jesus**.

Then do something together to encourage that person:

- Write them a note.
- Send a text.
- Bake something.
- Invite them to dinner.
- Pray for them.

Do together: Encourage someone who has helped your family grow.

Family question: *Who helps you grow in your faith? How can we help someone else grow?*

Week 4 — ROOTED THROUGH LIFE'S STORMS

Activity: The Storm Test

This one could be really memorable. Get a small plant, tree seedling, or even use a picture of a tree. Talk about how **storms reveal the strength of the roots**.

Then have the family list some “storms” that families face:

- Fear
- Disappointment
- Arguments
- Failure
- Sickness
- Losing someone
- Peer pressure
- Financial difficulties

For each one, ask: **“How can being rooted in Jesus help us when this happens?”**

Then pray together over the storms your family may be facing.

Family challenge: When something difficult happens this week, instead of immediately asking, *“What are we going to do?”* first ask: **“What does God want us to remember?”**