

25 FALL BUCKET IDEAS



- Binge on Hallmark Fall Movies (currently showing on most nights and weekends.)
- Wait! Did I lose you at #1? Try this instead: **Pack for a day trip.** Find every back road possible, roll down the windows, (take your Benadryl), stick out your arm and let it "ride" the wind, and see where the roads take you!
- · Hike in your nearest National Park.
- **Invite friends to pack picnics and join you at the park.** It's the perfect way to practice social distancing while enjoying good food and friendships.
- Get a family picture made.
- **Go to the pumpkin patch** and fetch a few pumpkins for you and a neighbor. This year has been one of distance, so simple acts of cheer mean even more.
- **Invite a friend over** to <u>bake these Pumpkin Chocolate Chip muffins.</u> Divvy 'em up and both families will have a yummy treat to enjoy.
- Purchase bags of individually wrapped candy and donate them to local churches who are holding fall festivals.
- Start a new book. It's the perfect weather to curl up, which leads to...
- Try a harvest-flavored tea! Grab the book, slip under a chunky blanket, and pour a cup of tea. Wait. Is that an "ahhhh!" I hear? (Hope so!) Scoot over, I'm in!
- Throw a "BYOM" (Bring Your Own Mug filled with your favorite tea, coffee, or cocoa!) gathering with friends in your backyard.
- · Visit a working farm.
- Bake fresh apple turnovers! Here's an easy recipe.
- Host a bonfire. #bringyourownsmores
- **Stargaze.** Bundle up, pour cups of cocoa for the kids, and head outside. If you're not sure what to look for, <u>this might help.</u>
- Enjoy a craft day with the kids. Fall crafts + a meaningful message can be found over at Meaningful Mama.
- Collect larger, whole leaves. Write the name of one person you would like to pray for on a leaf. Place a candle in the middle of your dining table and surround it with your "prayer leaves." Light the candle before dinner (representing the Light of the World John 8:12), choose a leaf, and pray for a different person each night.
- Feed the birds. Lots of easy and fun ideas can be found @ The Homeschool Scientist.
- Find a Fall Prayer Partner. I'll blog more about this in a couple of weeks, but in the meantime, find a partner, set guidelines (how often to touch base), and share simple ways to pray for one another.
- Go camping or glamping! Even if it's in your own backyard.
- Purchase canned goods and deliver them to your local food bank as a family.
- Play "The Monster Mash" and dance like Frank.
- Change to flannel sheets.
- Read a different section of Psalm 119 every night. <u>Tammy Mashburn of Redefining the Wilderness, is taking readers through a journey of this Psalm.</u>
- Encourage-a-person-a-day through Thanksgiving. Handwritten notes, sweet treats, scripture, praise music, a book, written prayers, voiced prayers, and yellow mums on a front stoop. Just some ideas to get those creative juices flowing!