

Roots Support Group 2023-2024

Seeking God's Vision for Your Family

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths." Proverbs 3:5-6

Meeting Locations	Sept	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May
Fairview Baptist Church 3311 Centre Street N, Calgary Mondays 1:30-3:30pm	11 th	16 th	13 th	4 th	15 th	12 th	11 th	8 th	13 th
Shepard Community Hall 10800-84 Street SE Calgary Tuesdays 10:30am-12:30pm	12 th	17 th	14 th	5 th	16 th	13 th	12 th	9 th	14 th
Cornerstone United Reformed Church 11610-95A Street Edmonton, Thursdays 1-3pm	21 st	19 th	16 th	7 th	18 th	15 th	21 st	18 th	23 rd

Support Group Topics

September - Creating a Lasting Vision Statement for Your Homeschool

How do you create a lasting vision statement for your homeschool? What does that look like, what questions can you and your spouse ask to create a vision statement for your family?

October – A Day in the Life....

Come hear from a panel of Roots moms as they give you some insight into their homeschooling approach, vision and their daily homeschool life.

November – Keeping the Vision

"...henceforth be no longer children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine by the sleight of men and their cunning and craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;" Ephesians 4:14

December – Fellowship & Crafts

This is a relaxed gathering for parents to come and chat as we wind down for the holiday season. Bring a plate of goodies to share.

January – Hope

"So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal." 2 Corinthians 4:18

January can be a hard month for moms, come and be encouraged to stay the course!

February – Practical Living

Have you asked yourself, how do other moms get things done? Some days the basics of cleaning the house or planning a meal feel like more than you can handle. Let's glean from one another the tips and tricks that help keep your home running.

March – Student Challenges: Facilitator Panel

A facilitator panel is always highly anticipated by parents. This year the facilitators will come to discuss challenges that students may be having, such as mental, learning, or academic.

April – Curriculum Share

With AHEA around the corner, it is great timing for families to share their favourite curriculums, apps, novels, or programs that they used this year. Remember to bring the item you want others to see.

May - Moms Continuing Education

Psalm 34:8 “Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; Blessed is the man who trusts in Him!”
What have you been learning this year? Have you taken up a hobby, learnt a new skill, or taken a course to further your education? Let’s share the giftings God has given each other and maybe even be encouraged to try something new ourselves!

The topic schedule was put together by the support group leadership team:

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Common Questions about Support Group Meetings

What happens at support group meetings?

This is a time for Roots parents and children to come together to enjoy one another’s company while supporting each other on our homeschooling journey. Our meetings follow a basic format of announcements, testimonies, main topic/ discussion and end with small group prayer time. Coffee, tea, and snacks are provided for the parents only. Bring a snack for your child to eat in your vehicle on the way home.

Can I bring my children?

Absolutely, bring your children!

Crawlers – Age 3 will go in the “nursery”

Ages 4 & up Children will be split into age specific groups to participate in activities/games appropriate for their age. Note that the age groups may be split differently at each venue due to space availability at each venue.

Parents keep their tiny ones with them since we’re not set up to provide that level of care.

Parents Please Note:

- 1) Registration for each meeting is not required but it is recommended, so we can have your name tags printed and signing in children can be expedited upon arrival. It also helps us to ensure we have the proper number of workers to kids’ ratio in each class.
- 2) Make sure kids come dressed in proper clean indoor footwear for running (no flip flops or winter boots)
- 3) Put all coats backpacks and extra shoes against the walls in designated classrooms to keep the hallways clear in case of an emergency.
- 4) Bring labelled water bottles for children (due to allergies, please save snacks for the children for the drive home).
- 5) Remind children to be respectful of the leaders and listen to the instructions being given. It is a more enjoyable experience when everyone listens!
- 6) Take everyone to the washroom before signing them in at the check in table.