

## **Disability Ministry**



Here are a few faith-based nonprofit organizations that are passionate about serving those with disabilities and their families. This list is not exhaustive and will be updated from time to time.

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- Ability Ministry <a href="https://abilityministry.com/">https://abilityministry.com/</a> Ability Ministry seeks to equip and empower disability ministries for churches, families and individuals affected by disabilities. They offer free consulting services for those interested in starting a disability ministry. They also offer curriculum, training videos and books that can be used specifically for a disability ministry.
- Banquet Network <a href="https://www.thebanquetnetwork.com/">https://www.thebanquetnetwork.com/</a> The Banquet Network inspires, equips and resources churches to reach, serve, and include individuals and families affected by disability: joyfully, simply, and cooperatively. They provide 1 on 1 coaching, group workshops of 3-5 churches and provide small grants to churches looking to start disability related projects.
- Faith Inclusion Network- <a href="https://faithinclusionnetwork.org/">https://faithinclusionnetwork.org/</a> Faith Inclusion Network (FIN) seeks to support people with disabilities in faith communities by helping then to find welcoming and accessible faith communities. FIN provides trainings, consultations and network opportunities for faith communities seeking to better include those with disabilities in their congregations. Each year, an annual conference is held in Virginia.



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- **Key Ministry** <a href="https://www.keyministry.org/">https://www.keyministry.org/</a> Key Ministry promotes meaningful connection between churches and families of kids with disabilities for the purpose of making disciples of Jesus Christ. They also serve churches seeking to become more intentional in ministry with those impacted by mental illness and trauma. Key Ministry hosts an annual conference and also provides consultations for churches.
- Mother to Mother <a href="https://mother2mother.info/">https://mother2mother.info/</a> Mother 2 Mother was created to strengthen mothers and caregivers, assisting them to be the best advocates for their loved ones. The organization offers monthly support meetings, trainings for parents and families, and disability awareness training to churches to increase church growth and cohesion.
- Nathaniel's Hope <a href="https://nathanielshope.org/">https://nathanielshope.org/</a> Nathaniel's Hope educates and equips communities and churches to provide FREE respite care and programs to enrich the lives of those with disabilities and their families. This is done through their Buddy Break program, which is a FREE Parent's Day Out/Respite program. They also provide several other programs tht uplift and support special needs families.



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- **Rising Above Ministries** <a href="https://www.risingaboveministries.org/">https://www.risingaboveministries.org/</a> Rising Above seeks to bring the love of God and hope in Christ to special-needs families through support, encouragement, inspiration, and community. The ministry offers several retreats throughout the year, such as customized events for special-needs dads, moms and female caregivers.
- SOAR Special Needs: Transforming Lives <a href="https://soarspecialneeds.org/">https://soarspecialneeds.org/</a> SOAR Special Needs exists to empower families with special needs to SOAR in their local and faith communities. Services offered include respite night events, summer day camps, ministry consultations and mentorship programs. SOAR also hosts an annual leadership conference.
- Together We Care <a href="https://www.togetherwecarega.org/">https://www.togetherwecarega.org/</a> Together We Care Exists to partner with parents, individuals with disabilities and organizations to ensure that there are opportunities for inclusion and independence in all aspects of their community. Several consultation packages are available to meet the need of private schools, businesses and faith communities. Together We Care also hosts an annual ministry training conference.