

# Religion and People with Disabilities

This factsheet covers topics such as accessibility of religious facilities to people with physical disabilities. It also covers welcoming and including those with disabilities as part of the community and thus in the place of worship.

## Websites

### AAPD: Interfaith Disability Advocacy Collaborative http://www.aapd.com/idac/

Beineinu: Connecting Jewish Parent of Children with Special Needs <a href="http://www.beineinu.org/home">http://www.beineinu.org/home</a>

Christian Reformed Church: Disability Concerns https://www.crcna.org/disability

eHow: ADA Regulations and Churches

http://www.ehow.com/about\_6385337\_ada-regulations-churches.html

### Faith for ALL

http://www.faithforall.org/ P.O. Box 344 Wheaton, IL 60187 Phone: 630-752-5937 Email: <u>Thomas@faithforall.org</u>

Faith for ALL is a not-for-profit, non-denominational organization that starts with the basic premise that all human beings are created in the image of God and designed to be in relationship with Him. Because relationship with God is a matter of faith, people with disabilities should have equal access to both express and explore their faith of choice within the context of a community of their choice. Faith for ALL therefore accelerates congregational accessibility so people with disabilities and their families can have deeper access into the community life of a congregation.

### Joni and Friends

www.joniandfriends.org PO Box 3333 Agoura Hills, CA 91376-3333 Phone: 818-707-5664 Joni and Friends is a Christian ministry formed by quadriplegic Joni Eareckson Tada to evangelize people affected by disability.

### Lift Disability Network

www.liftdisability.net/ 611 Business Park Blvd., Suite 105 P.O. Box 770607 Winter Garden, FL 34787 Phone: (407) 228-8343 Lift Disability Network promotes the spiritual well-being of people with disabilities.

### National Catholic Partnership on Disability (NDPD)

http://ncpd.org/ 415 Michigan Avenue, NE, Suite 95 Washington, DC 20017-4501 Phone: (202) 529-2933 TTY: 202-529-2934 NCPD was established so Catholics with disabilities can fully participate in the celebrations and obligations of their faith.

# Orthodox Union: Directory of Synagogues in the US and Canada with Accommodations for Individuals with Disabilities

http://www.ou.org/resources/disdirectory.htm

### **Presbyterians for Disability Concerns**

https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/phewa/pdc/

### Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations: Disability & Accessibility

http://www.uua.org/accessibility/index.shtml 24 Farnsworth Street Boston, MA 02210-1409 Phone: 617-742-2100 Email: info@uua.org

### **Craig Hospital: Spirituality**

https://craighospital.org/resources/spirituality

### Yachad/ National Jewish Council for Disabilities

#### www.njcd.org

11 Broadway, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10004 Phone: 212-613-8229 NJCD enhances life opportunities and insures participation in the full spectrum of Jewish life.

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