

OUR MISSION

Through advocacy, education and empowerment, the DisAbility Ministries Committee of the United Methodist Church will lead the denomination in creating a culture where people with disabilities are fully included in all aspects of worship, leadership and ministry.

"Nice to know that you are out there as a resource."

Greg Forrester

"LOVE what you all are doing! GREAT stuff!"

Amy Fenton Lee

Support our work through
**The Advance #3021054—
Disability Ministry.**

Your gifts help provide start up grants for churches expanding their ministry with people with disabilities.

We also offer small grants for congregational accessibility improvements.



WE OFFER

- A website
- A quarterly email newsletter
- News sent out through Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest
- Disability Awareness Sunday materials
- Accessibility audit tools; accessibility visits to camps, churches, and agencies
- New models of ministry
- Workshop collaboration
- Networking and advocacy
- Connections within your jurisdiction
- Resource people available to meet with you
- Inspiration and encouragement
- Prayer for your ministry
- Simple, practical ideas that you can put to use immediately!



The DisAbility Ministries Committee of the United Methodist Church consists of two persons per jurisdiction and liaison members from related organizations.



"I'm encouraged by the creation of this committee and pray for its ability to make a difference for persons with disabilities."

Berta Dickerson

Also check out

United Methodist Committee on Deaf and Hard of Hearing Ministries at www.umcdhm.org

United Methodist Association of Ministers with Disabilities at www.umdisministers.org

Your Conference Disability Concerns Committee at www.umdisministryministries.org/links/acgroup.html

MAKING PATHS STRAIGHT— REMOVING BARRIERS

Is your church facing challenges that make it hard to keep doing things the old way? Maybe you have Sunday School members who have autism, wounded veterans returning home, or people with Alzheimer's or low vision in your congregation.

We are here to help you navigate the joyful path of providing inclusive and accessible ministry with people with disabilities as you grow your church by reaching out to people with disabilities and their families.

Isaiah 40: 3-4

³ A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

⁴ Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.

"It is exciting and heartwarming to experience the great work that you and the committee are doing to benefit so many who have longed for this inclusion. Bravo!"
Kathy Reeves

CONTACT US

- To locate your jurisdictional representatives
- To let us celebrate and publicize your ministry, workshop, or program
- To request resources, ideas, or consultation
- To share your gifts and strengths to assist with the work of the Committee
- To find the tools you need to move forward with your ministry
- To help you grow an effective conference disability committee per ¶653 of the *Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church 2012*

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