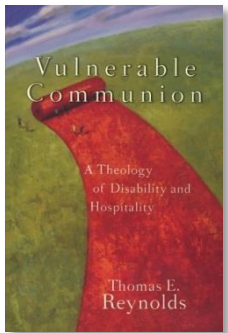
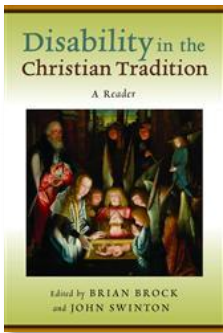
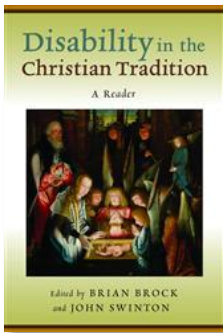
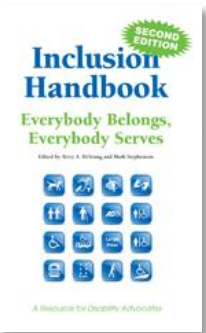
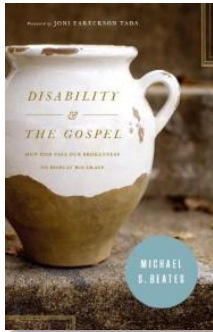


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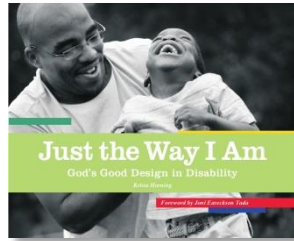
Theology and Disability	Disability Ministry - All
	
<p><u>Vulnerable Communion: A Theology of Disability and Hospitality</u> (Thomas E Reynolds)</p> <p>In Vulnerable Communion, Reynolds draws upon personal experience and a diverse body of literature to empower churches and individuals to foster deeper hospitality toward persons with disabilities.</p>	<p><u>Including People with Disabilities in Faith Communities</u> (Erik W. Carter)</p> <p>To make inclusion work in any faith community, this how-to book gives readers workable strategies and photocopyable forms for identifying indicators of welcome, encouraging community outreach, and gathering important information about the support needs of people with disabilities and their families.</p>
	
<p><u>Disability in the Christian Tradition: A Reader</u> (John Swinton and Brian Brock, eds.)</p> <p>Fourteen contemporary experts in theology and disability studies guide readers through each era or group of thinkers, offering clear commentary and highlighting important themes.</p> <p>Also <u>Dementia: Living in the Memories of God</u> or other works by Swinton</p>	<p><u>Inclusion Handbook: Everybody Belongs, Everybody Serves</u> (Terry DeYoung and Mark Stephenson, Eds.)</p> <p>This handbook emphasizes the importance of developing relationships and encouraging everyone in your congregation to use their gifts for God's glory. It's filled with information about specific disability areas as well as a large number of ideas to try when including adults and children with disabilities in the local congregation.</p>
<p><i>For the latest resources - books, video, and audio - we encourage you to follow the Disability and Faith Forum (www.disabilityandfaith.org) and to visit Christian Horizons' resources for churches (www.christian-horizons.org)</i></p>	

Stories and Experience



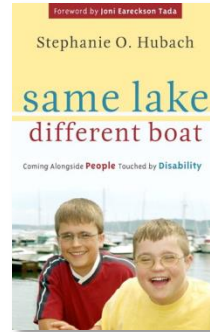
[Disability and the Gospel: How God Uses Our Brokenness to Display His Grace](#)
(Michael S. Beates)

Working through key Bible passages on brokenness and disability while answering hard questions, Michael offers helpful principles for believers and their churches. He shows us how to embrace our own brokenness and then to embrace others, bringing hope and vision to those of us who need it most.



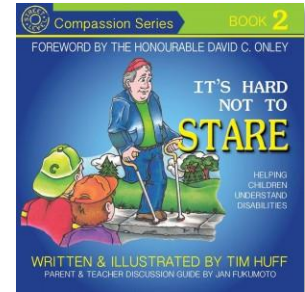
[Just the Way I am: God's Good Design in Disability](#)
(Krista Horning)

Krista's book uses delightful pictures of some of the children of Bethlehem Bible Church with disabilities, Scripture and simple truth-filled statements to highlight the certainty that God is our great designer.



[Same Lake, Different Boat - Coming Alongside People Touched by Disability](#)
(Stephanie O. Hubach)

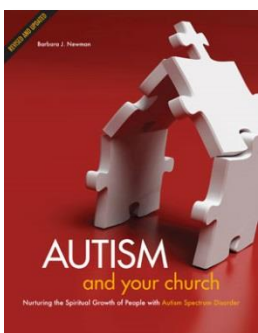
Same Lake, Different Boat is a transformational work--designed to renew our minds to think biblically about disability in order that our lives, our relationships, and our congregations might wholly reflect Christ. In it, Stephanie shares her faith and her life experience as a mom with a child with Down syndrome.



[It's Hard Not to Stare: Helping Children Understand Disabilities](#)
(Tim Huff)

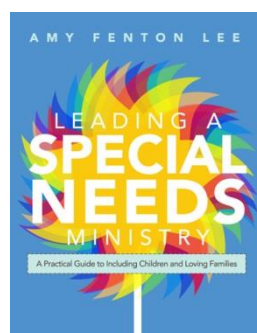
It's Hard Not to Stare is the second book unpacking StreetLevel's children's Compassion Series. The material encourages children to look at their world through the lens of compassion and understanding, rather than assumption, judgment or fear.

Disability Ministry - Children



[Autism and Your Church: Nurturing the Spiritual Growth of People with Autism Spectrum Disorder](#)
(Barbara J. Newman)

Many nurseries and Sunday School classrooms have one or more children with autism. This book helps teachers to find helpful ways to minister to children with autism.



[Leading a Special Needs Ministry: A Practical Guide to Including Children and Loving Families](#)
(Amy Fenton Lee)

This book serves as a practical "how-to" handbook for the family ministry team working to welcome one or 100 children with special needs.

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