

Building God's Kingdom through Disability Ministries

**Saturday, March 29, 2014, 8:30 am-3:00 pm
at Hope Community Church in Hudson OH 44236**

Registration deadline: March 21

(necessary to plan lunch)

Cost: \$10* (includes lunch and materials)

Mail form below to the Zanesville C&MA Church
at 545 Richey Road, Zanesville, OH 43701.

*Please include payment by cash or check made out
to ZCMA. For further information, contact Denise
Phelps at 740-454-3210 or dkp.ycity@yahoo.com.

If a **group** from your church wishes to register together, please list
the information of all participants on one attached sheet and pay total
for group.



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Name _____

Address _____

Phone(s) _____

E-mail _____

*Any dietary restrictions? _____

*Need ASL interpreter? _____

*Reason for interest in this seminar:

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**Featuring Emily Colson,
keynote speaker**

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Purpose

People with disabilities form an often hidden and forgotten unreached people group in our communities. We pray that through this training event, we can encourage and equip our local C&MA churches to find ways to reach out to people with disabilities and their loved ones and help to meet their spiritual needs.

Program

- 8:30-9:00 am Registration
- 9:00 Welcome/Opening featuring Emily Colson
- 10:30 Session 1 - "Beginning Steps to Disability Ministry"
- 10:50 Session 2 - "Adult and Bus Ministry"
- 11:10 Session 3 - "Friendship Parties and Caregiver Support"
- 11:45 Lunch hour - Visit booths, Q&A panel
- 12:50 Session 4 - "Training Volunteers/Completing Family Profiles"
- 1:10 Session 5 - "Buddy System"
- 1:45 Session 6 - "Sensory Room/Joni and Friends Services"
- 2:30 Q&A/Closing featuring Emily Colson

Plenty of time will be given to answering any questions you may have about your own church's needs in developing a Disability Ministry. There will also be networking opportunities where you can exchange ideas and discover resources available to help begin such a ministry in your church.

Speakers and Presenters

Emily Colson

Emily Colson is an author and speaker. She speaks to churches and organizations nationwide, and has appeared on numerous media outlets including Focus on the Family and the Huckabee show.

In her book *Dancing with Max*, Emily and her father, Chuck Colson, share the struggle and beauty of life with Max, Emily's 22-year-old son with autism. The book has recently been awarded "Book of the Year" by the Autism Society. Through her message, Emily has inspired many to persevere through their own challenges and see the gifts. Emily has been a single mother for most of Max's 22 years, with hard fought lessons in life, faith, love and a whole lot of laughter. Emily & Max live on the New England coast where they can often be found dancing. www.emilycolson.com



Zanesville C&MA Caring Hearts Ministries

Laura Davis and Annette Newcome founded the disability ministry of this local Alliance church over 16 years ago, filling a need that both women saw in the community and in Annette's own family. They began with a Bible study for adults with intellectual challenges and then monthly Friendship Parties for children with disabilities and it has grown from there into a ministry the whole church is actively supporting. www.caringheartsdisabilityministries.org

Debra Petermann

Deb is the Church Outreach Facilitator/Church Relations Program Manager at the Ohio area office of Joni and Friends. In addition to annual family retreats, Joni and Friends staff conduct practical disability training and promote community connection for people affected by disability and those who want to serve them. www.joniandfriends.org



CHOSEN Ministry - Hope Community Church of the C&MA

CHOSEN stands for "Christians Helping Others with Special

Educational Needs." This younger disability ministry (2 years) started with months of prayer and training before stepping out in faith to reach families in their community affected by disabilities, through quarterly respite and implementation of a buddy system for Sunday services and the Awana program. www.hopecma.com

Our thanks to Hope Community Church for hosting this event!

