

Everyone Welcome

Description

Explores ways to build radically inclusive, hospitable communities—especially for those who often feel marginalized or left out.

Annotated Books & Readings

Vanier, J. (1998). *Becoming human*. Paulist Press.

A vision of dignity, belonging, and shared life shaped by L'Arche communities.

URL: <https://www.paulistpress.com/Products/3-185-3/becoming-human.aspx>

Soerens, M., Yang, J., & Anderson, L. (2018). *Welcoming the stranger: Justice, compassion & truth in the immigration debate*. Revised and Expanded. IVP.

Puts a human face on the issue and offers concrete ways for churches to welcome immigrants.

URL: <https://a.co/d/b0qcAku>

Swinton, J. (2012). *Becoming friends of time: Disability, timefullness, and gentle discipleship*. Baylor University Press.

Reimagines discipleship through disability theology and practices of gentleness.

URL: <https://www.baylorpress.com/9781481309356/becoming-friends-of-time/>

Movies / Documentaries

Welcome to Shelbyville (2011).

Depicts a small town grappling with immigration and belonging; great discussion starter for churches.

URL: <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt1578846/>

Crip Camp (2020).

Powerful disability rights documentary; highlights the importance of accessibility and inclusion.

URL: <https://www.netflix.com/title/81001496>

Best Practices / Toolkits

- Religious Entities Under the Americans With Disabilities Act (from ADA National Network)

URL:

[https://adata.org/sites/adata.org/files/files/Religious%20Entities%20Under%20the%20ADA_final_2018\(1\).pdf](https://adata.org/sites/adata.org/files/files/Religious%20Entities%20Under%20the%20ADA_final_2018(1).pdf)

- Neurodiversity Hub (practical inclusion)

URL: <https://www.neurodiversityhub.org/>

- Reentry Partnerships: A Guide for States & Faith-Based and Community Organizations (DOJ)

URL: <https://www.justice.gov/archive/fbci/docs/reentry-partnership.pdf>

Nazarene Resources

- Nurturing Care (Nazarene Theological Seminary)
URL: <https://www.nts.edu/nurturing-care/>
- Nazarene Disability Ministries / Support Resources
URL: <https://www.usacanadaregion.org/kids/support-resources>
- Wonderful Works Ministry (adapted discipleship)
URL: <https://www.wonderfulworksministry.org>
- Practicing Hospitality: Practical Ways to Support Displaced People in Your Community
URL: <https://ncm.org/sites/default/files/2021-09/How%20to%20Help%20Toolkit%20for%20displaced%20people.pdf>

Regional Resources (New England)

- MA: Disability Law Center
URL: <https://www.dlc-ma.org>
- RI: Dorcas International Institute (immigration/refugee)
URL: <https://www.diiri.org>
- CT: IRIS – Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services
URL: <https://www.irisct.org>
- NH: Disability Rights Center NH
URL: <https://drcnh.org>
- VT: USCRI Vermont (refugee services)
URL: <https://refugees.org/field-office/uscri-vermont>

National / Equity & Justice Resources

- National Disability Rights Network
URL: <https://www.ndrn.org>
- Q Christian Fellowship
URL: <https://www.qchristian.org>
- Prison Fellowship (reentry)
URL: <https://www.prisonfellowship.org>