The following resources are a limited sampling of the many wonderful books and Bible studies written to encourage families affected by disability in their faith.

**Support Group Material**
- **A Different Dream for My Child:**
  Meditations for Parents of Critically or Chronically Ill Children
  *by Jolene Philo*

- **Another Kind of Courage:**
  God’s Design for Fathers of Families Affected by Disability
  *by Doug Mazza and Steve Bundy*

- **Creating the Moms Group You’ve Been Looking For:**
  Your How-To Manual for Connecting with Other Moms
  *by Jill Savage*

- **Held: Learning to Live in God’s Grip**
  *by Sandra Peoples and Lee Peoples*

- **Special Needs Parenting: From Coping to Thriving**
  *by Lorna Bradley*

- **Special Strength for Special Parents:**
  31 Days of Spiritual Therapy for Parents of Children with Special Needs
  *by Nina Fuller*

- **Unlocking the Treasure:**
  A Bible Study for Moms Entrusted with Special-Needs Children
  *by Bev Roozeboom*

**Caregiving**
- **A Caregiver’s Survival Guide:**
  How to Stay Healthy When Your Loved One is Sick
  *by Kay M. Strom*

- **Because You Care: Spiritual Encouragement for Caregivers**
  *by Cecil Murphey and Twila Belk*

- **Compassionate Caregiving:**
  Practical Help and Spiritual Encouragement
  *by Lois D. Knutson*

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God’s Encouragement for Caregivers (DVD and guide)
by John Ankerberg, Joni Eareckson Tada, and Dr. Michael Easley

Hope for the Caregiver: Encouraging Words to Strengthen Your Spirit
by Peter Rosenberger

The Caregivers Notebook:
An Organizational Tool and Support to Help You Care for Others
by Jolene Philo

We Are: A Caregiving Manefesto
by Dana Brown Ritter

Friendships
Growing Friendships:
Connecting More Deeply With Those Who Matter Most
by Tracy Klehn

Tools for General Family Support
After We're Gone: A Christian perspective on estate and life planning for families that include a dependent member with disability
by Dr. Duane Ruth-Heffelbower

The Art of Helping:
What to Say and Do When Someone is Hurting
by Lauran Littauer Briggs

Just Show Up: The Dance of Walking through Suffering Together
by Kara Tippets and Jill Lynn Buteyn

Marriage
Joni and Ken: An Untold Love Story
by Ken Tada and Joni Eareckson Tada with Larry Libby

Married with Special-Needs Children: A Couples’ Guide to Keeping Connected
by Laura E. Marshak and Fran P. Prezant

When God Doesn’t Fix It:
Lessons You Never Want to Learn, Truths You Can’t Live Without
by Laura Story and Jennifer Schuchmann

Written by and About Families Affected by Disability
Real Families, Real Needs:
A Compassionate Guide for Families Living with Disability
by Joni and Friends

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• **Breakthrough Parenting for Children with Special Needs: Raising the Bar of Expectations**  
  *by Judy Winter*

• **Dancing with Max: A Mother and Son Who Broke Free**  
  *by Emily Colson*

• **Different Dream Parenting: A Practical Guide to Raising a Child with Special Needs**  
  *by Jolene Philo*

• **Empowering Your Child Who Has Special Needs**  
  *by Debbie Salter Goodwin*

• **His Majesty in Brokenness**  
  *by Judy Squier*

• **Light from Lucas: Lessons in Faith From a Fragile Life**  
  *by Bob Vander Plaats*

• **No More Peanut Butter Sandwiches**  
  *by Jeff Davidson*

• **Too Wise to be Mistaken, Too Good to be Unkind: Christian Parents Contend with Autism**  
  *by Cathy Steere*

• **Unexpected Journey: When Special Needs Change Our Course**  
  *by Joe Ferrini and Cindi Ferrini*

• **Wrestling with an Angel: A Story of Love, Disability and the Lessons of Grace**  
  *by Greg Lucas*

**Sibling Support**

• **Fasten your Seatbelt: A Crash Course on Down Syndrome for Brothers and Sisters**  
  *by Brian G. Skotko and Susan P. Levine*

• **Living with a Brother or Sister with Special Needs: A Book for Sibs**  
  *by Donald J. Meyer and Patricia F. Vadasy*

• **Sibshops: Workshops for Siblings of Children with Special Needs**  
  *by Donald J. Meyer and Patricia F. Vadasy*

• **Special Brothers and Sisters: Stories and Tips for Siblings of Children with Special Needs, Disability or Serious Illness**  
  *by Monica McCaffrey and Annette Hames*

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• **The Sibling Slam Book:**
  *What It's Really Like To Have A Brother Or Sister With Special Needs*
  *by Don Meyer and David Gallagher*

• **Thicker than Water: Essays by Adult Siblings of People with Disabilities**
  *edited by Don Meyer*

• **Views from our Shoes: Growing Up with a Brother or Sister with Special Needs**
  *by Donald Meyer*

**Picture Books**

• **All Cats Have Asperger Syndrome**
  *by Kathy Hoopmann*

• **All Kinds of Friends, Even Green!** (spina bifida)
  *by Ellen B. Senisi*

• **Inside Asperger’s Looking Out**
  *by Kathy Hoopmann*

• **Don’t Call Me Special: A First Look at Disability** (physical disabilities)
  *by Pat Thomas*

• **Enriqué Speaks with His Hands** (hearing impairment)
  *by Benjamin Fudge*

• **God Gave Us You**
  *by Lisa Tawn Bergren*

• **If Only I Had a Green Nose**
  *by Max Lucado*

• **In Jesse’s Shoes**
  *by Beverly Lewis*

• **Just the Way I Am: God’s Good Design in Disability**
  *by Krista Horning*

• **Let’s Talk about It Series**
  *by Jennifer Moore-Mallinos*

• **Live and Learn Series**
  *by Barron’s Educational Books*

• **My Brother Charlie** (autism)
  *by Holly Robinson Peete*

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• My Brother, Matthew  
  by Mary Thompson

• My Friend Has Autism (Friends with Disabilities)  
  by Amanda Doering Tourville

• My Friend Isabelle (Down syndrome)  
  by Eliza Woloson

• Shelley, the Hyperactive Turtle (ADHD)  
  by Deborah M. Moss

• Since We’re Friends: An Autism Picture Book  
  by Celeste Shally and David Harrington

• Special People, Special Ways (physical limitation)  
  by Arlene Maguire

• The Prince Who Was Just Himself (Down syndrome)  
  by Silke Schnee

• You Are Special  
  by Max Lucado

• You Are Mine  
  by Max Lucado

• You’ve Got a Friend (accident-induced paralysis)  
  by Joni Eareckson Tada

• We’ll Paint the Octopus Red (Down syndrome)  
  by Stephanie Stuwe-Bodeen

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