

**Persons with Disabilities: Resources on Pastoral Care and Counseling
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DIMENSIONS OF FAITH AND CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRIES WITH PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND THEIR FAMILIES: A Bibliography and Address Listing of Resources. (2005). Edited by William C. Gaventa, MDV, Robyn Carroll, Phil Helsel, Dorothy Chou, Virginia Thornburgh, Lorraine Thal and Tom Heuer. Produced in collaboration with the Religion and Spirituality Division of the AAMR, now known as AAIDD, and the New Jersey Coalition for Inclusive Ministries. Order (prepaid orders only) from: Religion and Spirituality Division, AAIDD, c/o The Boggs Center, P.O. Box 2688, New Brunswick, NJ 08903-2688. Website: www.aaidreligion.org

A 180 page bibliography of resources from all faith groups, resource offices and publishers. This comprehensive bibliography has 17 sections representing different areas of ministry and service, a major one (Section VI) of which is entitled: "Pastoral Care and Counseling." Included in that section, in addition to three pages on pastoral care and counseling with persons with disabilities, are additional topics such as "Resources in Pastoral Care and Genetics Issues," "Audio-Visual Resources Particularly Useful for Clergy Groups and Pastoral Education Programs," and "Special Issues in Pastoral Care: Grief, Death and Dying."

MENTAL ILLNESS AND PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT: A GUIDE FOR PASTORAL COUNSELORS. By Gregory B. Collins, M.D., and Thomas Culbertson, Ph.D. (2003). Published by The Hayworth Press, 10 Alice Street, Binghamton NY 13904-1580. Cost is \$39.95.

Provides those giving counseling/or and pastoral care with basic information about the classic categories of mental disorders, and includes guidelines as to how to counsel and support persons who have a mental illness. Contains numerous case studies. Written in clear language, the book emphasizes skills and knowledge needed for pastoral counselors to be effective in working with these individuals.

PASTORAL CARE NEWSLETTER. Volume 12, Number 1. (September 2004). Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends; PYM, 1515 Cherry St., Philadelphia PA 19102-1479. Phone 1-800-220-0796, ext. 7068. Cost is \$1.75. This special edition of the pastoral care quarterly newsletter for Quakers/Religious Friends focuses on pastoral care and people with disabilities. Its six pages include materials on creating access, offering hospitality, and sharing gifts, increasing accessibility, a useful book list and a list of groups and online resources. One finds a variety of engaging articles, with titles such as "Questions for Reflection," and "A Friend with Speech Impairments Gives Vocal Ministry" and "With Divine Assistance."

THE PASTORAL VOICE OF ROBERT PERSKE. (2003). Edited by William C. Gaventa, MDV, and David Coulter, MD. Published by the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AAIDD), formerly known as the American Association on Mental Retardation. Cost is \$19.95. To order: Call: 1-301-604-1340. Website: bookstore.aaid.org

This book is a collection of essays written by Robert Perske, and contains some of the early classic material on theology and ministries with persons with developmental disabilities. The 184 page volume also features the responders Steve Eidelman, Executive Director of The Arc, Quincy Abbot, former president of The Arc, and Robert Voorhees.

REFLECTIONS FROM A DIFFERENT JOURNEY: What Adults with Disabilities Wish All Parents Knew. (2004). Edited by Stanley D. Klein, Ph.D., and John D. Kemp. Publisher: McGraw-Hill, Two Penn Plaza, New York NY 19121-2298. Cost is \$18.95.

While not directly about pastoral counseling, this book is quite helpful for persons working in various kinds of counseling positions related to individuals with disabilities and their families, as well as for parents of persons with disabilities. The forty essays contained in the book's 205 pages were written by people, in the US and other countries, who themselves grew up with a disability and serve as successful adult role models. Some of the different kinds of disabilities represented here are Autism, Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, Cerebral Palsy, Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis, Down Syndrome, blindness, deafness, Spina Bifida, Epilepsy, Muscular Dystrophy, Dyslexia, and more. The authors were asked to write about what they wished their own parents had read or been told while they were growing up. A five-page section of "Resources for Parents and Family members can also be found at the end of the book.
