Save the Dates

Enable Faith: Honoring Our Disabilities, Finding a Spiritual Community
April 19 and 20, 2010

Join us at the inclusive ministries conference to be held in Lawrenceville, New Jersey, at Adath Israel Congregation. Attendees will include clergy, lay persons from faith communities, persons with disabilities and family members, and staff who work to support persons with disabilities.

Confirmed Speakers:

**Dr. Dan Gottlieb** – Practicing psychology and family therapist since 1969; host of “Voices in the Family,” an award-winning radio show on WHYY 91 FM; author of several books including *Letters to Sam*; after a near fatal car accident in 1979, Dr. Gottlieb has maintained his devotion to family and career as well as become an outspoken advocate for all “observing life from the level of a wheelchair.”

**Ginny Thornburgh** – nationally re-known advocate helping faith congregations become more accessible; co-author of *That All May Worship*; current Director of the American Assoc. of People with Disabilities Interfaith Initiative; past Director of Religion and Disability Program of the National Organization on Disability; Member of Board of Trustees of Princeton Theological Seminary; recipient of numerous awards and degrees; mother of a son with disabilities.

Monday, April 19 – Film “Praying with Lior” and special panel discussion, 7 pm
Tuesday, April 20 – Full Day Conference with Registration Open at 8 am

Two sessions of workshops will offer many options to learn more about how to create welcoming congregations, resources for addressing physical and attitudinal barriers to be a more accessible place of worship, religious education issues, ministering through life’s transitions, and how to engage everyone’s gifts in your faith community. This conference will open conversation among the attendees so that all participants can inform and empower one another regarding inclusive ministry models and practices.

The Interfaith Advisory Board of Enable, Inc., is spearheading the planning for the conference. Partners for this conference include: Adath Israel Congregation, Allies, Elizabeth M. Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities, Jewish Family and Children’s Services of Mercer County, NJ Council on Developmental Disabilities (*partial list as of November 1, 2009*).

After Nov. 30, see [www.enablenj.org](http://www.enablenj.org) for more information. Or contact Megan Acedo at [macedo@enablenj.org](mailto:macedo@enablenj.org). Registrations will be available February 1, 2010.