A Ministry Whose Time Has Come

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The Mission of Special Needs Ministries

Special Needs Ministries seeks to **inspire, equip, and mobilize** those who are differently-abled to serve God and community as expressed in the mission statement of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.
"I saw that it is in the providence of God that widows and orphans, the blind, the deaf, the lame, and persons afflicted in a variety of ways, have been placed in close Christian relationship to His church; it is to prove His people and develop their true character." 3T:511
Ministry Areas of Concentration

1. Deaf
2. Blind
3. Physically Challenged
4. Mentally/Emotionally Challenged
5. Orphans/Vulnerable Children
6. Caregivers
“As a person with a disability, God has given me abilities too. Right? So if you’re smart as a church, you’ll look at me and say, ‘What are Joan Bova’s abilities?’”
• “I’m not a disability . . .
• I am a person!”
Disability vs Differently-Abled Possibilities
"A Lot Has Happened Since 2015"
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ALL ARE GIFTED, NEEDED & TREASURED

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Camp Meetings in Zimbabwe Burundi

- 34 baptized in Zimbabwe
  - 18 Deaf
  - 10 Confined to Wheelchairs
  - 2 Others

- First Deaf Baptized in Burundi (42)
Historic Meeting of Blind in Brazil!

The 1st Meeting of Ministries for the Visually Impaired South American Division
More Than Awareness at Montemorelos
An Inviting Campus for All
2018 Union Advisories to Reach Local Churches
“Angels of God are watching to see how we treat these persons who need our sympathy, love, and disinterested benevolence.”
3T:511
"Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see"

- Mark Twain