

HOPE CLUB



**Hope Club @
Northside Baptist Church
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**A Social Group for Teens
and Adults with Disabilities**

(age 18+)

MISSION STATEMENT

The Social Group exists to reach out to older teens and adults with disabilities and to invite them to fellowship. We care for them by connecting them with a community, who will support and encourage the growth and development of positive social interaction. Meaningful, age-appropriate recreational and social activities are provided.

GROUP PURPOSE

The group will be organized to provide recreational and social opportunities for people ages 18 and over who are challenged by developmental disabilities. Our aim is to reach individuals still living at home, living with a housemate or out on their own. However, anyone is welcome to join in the social interaction between group members: including, parents relatives, friends and support staff.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES

There is a time for refreshments and getting acquainted , then we talk about a topic related to building social communication skills, and then either a structured activity or participants can choose to socialize naturally.

Some examples of topics we've discussed are: physical appearance, personality, self-esteem, people in our lives and friendship.

Some examples of activities we've participated in are: making iron-on t-shirts, board games, pumpkin decorating, puzzles, mini-spa night, dancing, singing karaoke, playing video games, holding an auction and having popcorn and a movie.

During the summer we schedule community outings like: going to nature parks, eating out, riding bikes, and attending baseball games.

OTHER THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- All individuals must have a support person accompany them! (Except where independent).
- We meet at Northside Baptist Church 7965 Oswego Road in Liverpool - park in the Seneca Mall parking lot towards the Big Kmart side.
- There is no charge for the group. It is FREE!
- Transportation to and from the church will be the responsibility of each individual.
- An application form and participation release form must be completed by your 2nd meeting.
- Meetings are held twice a month on Friday. Please call for the schedule.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Carissa Lago – Hope Club Coordinator

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