

## The Journey Begins

Our journey began, similar to many other families, while sitting in the exam room of a child developmental specialist. We received the diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder. The doctor's education on how this would change the direction of treatment would be, "look it up on the internet, but don't apply it to him." Like other parents, we began the journey for answers feeling alone and confused. Through The Eyes of Special Kids was born to connect families with resources and support. I began organizing the first DisAbility Resource Fair in March 2009. By inviting service providers that are located around Indiana to one location, bringing their services, in the effort to connecting these families to these services to encourage a higher quality of care and taking a little off their load that they carry daily. Families have been very appreciative of the opportunity to meet these providers and understand what is available to their child. Through this ministry, the door to introduce these families to know Jesus Christ as their Savior has been opened wide!

## Through The Eyes Of Special Kids

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## Come see through their eyes

### Who are we....

Through this ministry:

~ families are educated on how the disability has become a part of their child and how to help them,

~ a support group for parents with kiddos of disabilities had been created,

~ Sunday School material have been provided to help special parents to become God's special parents,

~ speakers have been invited to Madison County to help parents to look beyond today and plan for their special child for the future,

~ a child was placed in a nurturing fostering home instead of residential placement and is now living at home,

~ Support Breakfasts have brought families together over the summer months to keep new friends connected and supported,

~ a parents support group for teens and children diagnosed with Bipolar Disorder was established.

Another support group for the teens and children with Bipolar Disorder is presently in the works.

~ DisAbility Resource Fair to bring service providers to Madison County to connect with these special families.

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### Save The Date: 2012 DisAbility Resource Fair

**2012 DisAbility Resource Fair**

**Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**New Horizon's United**

**Methodist Church**

**9am to 1 pm.**

**611 East 53rd Street,**

**Anderson, IN 46013**

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