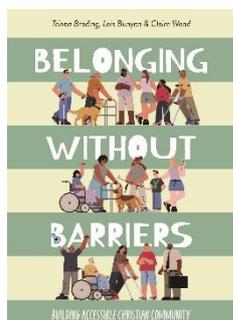


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## Belonging without Barriers

### Building accessible Christian communities

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‘This is a book we have been waiting for! A book the UK church needs, to reduce the fear around talking about disability and help people catch the vision for disability inclusion... It challenges us to see accessibility not as charity, but justice.’ So says Tim Wood, CEO of the Christian disability charity Through the Roof, in his Foreword. *Belonging without Barriers* casts a vision of inclusion and full belonging within our churches and other Christian communities for those with additional needs. It begins by exploring the theological basis for this vision, and continues with a practical section, outlining a range of different experiences we are likely to encounter, including autism, learning disabilities, and physical disabilities. Each chapter contains up-to-date research, personal accounts, interviews, and a range of specific, actionable ideas for churches and individuals.

#### Praise for *Belonging without Barriers*

‘Every church needs spiritual and practical help on how to serve those with disabilities in their congregations – and this book is the answer! The theology is rich, the advice practical, the tone gracious, and the content encyclopedic. I cannot recommend it highly enough.’ – *Andy Mason, Mission Director, Co-Mission*

‘This beautifully written book invites everyone to reflect on what it truly means to belong in church. As an adoptive and birth parent of two neurodivergent children, for whom church has often been a struggle, I was grateful to find a book that gently weaves biblical principles with real-life stories, helping us to consider and understand what it looks like to create church communities where no barriers exist.’ – *Louise MacDiarmid, Therapeutic Parenting Coach*

‘Grounded in scripture and shaped by the pattern of the cross, this book shows that accessibility is not an act of charity but a faithful response to the gospel itself.’ – *Graham Miller, CEO, London City Mission*

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