



**AFFIRMING CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
"AFFIRMING OUR LGBTQ+ FAMILY WITH CHRIST-CENTERED FELLOWSHIP, RECONCILIATION AND EDUCATION"

# HIV/AIDS RESOURCES

## Getting Started Developing an HIV/AIDS Ministry in your Church:

[Samaritan Ministries](#) provides what is called The Samaritan Model for reaching out to people with HIV/AIDS in our community. Many of their points indicated here can be useful to our churches. The first step in changing the relationship between the HIV/AIDS community and the church is to provide opportunities for church members to learn about HIV/AIDS. They can be done through educational programs that should include the following:

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- A message of compassion from the pulpit
- HIV lessons directed at every age level
- Special programs targeting the youth
- Development of a church policy or statement concerning HIV/AIDS  
Use the words "We need to talk about sex if we are going to talk about HIV"

[AIDS - Finding Hope and Compassion](#) – this brochure by Bill Crowder, seeks to open our hearts and minds to the history of crisis, the human toll it is exacting, and Christian response that mirrors the spirit of Christ. You can obtain this brochure through the [Discovery Series](#).

ACF offers a resource kit that we have put together to help you prepare your church, ministry, and website for HIV/AIDS Awareness Sunday.

**People Living with HIV/AIDS - PLWHA Conference**

**Scholarships** are offered for those living with HIV/AIDS and that meet qualifications. For more information contact [fsampley@acf.lgbt](mailto:fsampley@acf.lgbt).

**Other websites to review:**

Center for Disease Control

(CDC) [www.cdc.gov/nineandahalfminutes/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/nineandahalfminutes/index.html)

CDC HIV/AIDS Resource – [www.cdc.gov/hiv](http://www.cdc.gov/hiv)

Complete HIV/AIDS Resource [www.TheBody.com](http://www.TheBody.com)

Rick and Kay Warren's HIV/AIDS

Newsletter [www.hivandthechurch.com](http://www.hivandthechurch.com)

Comprehensive Resource for HIV Information – [www.stophiv.org](http://www.stophiv.org)

He Intends Victory - <http://heintendsvictory.org/>

Act Against AIDS - <http://www.actagainstaids.org/>

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