

# NEWSLETTER

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**YOU'RE INVITED TO THE ABLED BRANCH!**



We're excited to announce that ABLED's new location at 1701 Windhoek Dr, Lincoln, NE has officially been approved as a hub for coordinating services. There are no official hours at this time, however.

We're calling it "the branch" — a name rich with meaning. Just as a branch extends from the vine, this new space is an extension of our main headquarters at Upton Grey.

It also reflects our mission and faith, echoing the words of Jesus in John 15:5: "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit."

The branch is more than a building — it's a place for connection, growth, and shared purpose. Here, we:

- Train team members
- Hold ISP meetings and gatherings
- Offer engaging activities for participants
- And our clinician is available for on-site consultation

Our hope is that the branch becomes a life-giving space for all who come through its doors, firmly rooted in Christ and in the heart of ABLED's mission.

Come visit us and see what's taking shape!

With gratitude,  
ABLED Administration

**"Serving Jesus Christ by enabling people with developmental disabilities to creatively explore and live full meaningful lives in their communities"**

*Thank You* for joining us in our mission!

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## FEEDBACK

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## JOIN US AT ABLED EVENTS!

### 2025 Free Passes

Scatter Joy Acres • Bee Me Sensory • Nebraska History Museum  
Air & Space Museum • Hickman Community Center • ABLED Barn

#### Lake Wanhoo Day

Jun 19, Thursday  
1655 County Road 16, Wahoo NE  
11:00 am



#### ABLED Barn Pizza Party

Jun 24, Tuesday  
61032 726.5 Rd, Crab Orchard NE  
11:30 am



#### Robbers Cave Tours

Jun 25, Wednesday at 11:30 am  
Jun 26, Thursday at 12:00 pm  
925 Robbers Cave Rd, Lincoln NE







MAY 8TH EVENT  
OSBORN SPORTS COMPLEX







MAY 16th EVENT  
PIONEER'S PARK PICNIC







MAY 19TH EVENT  
CANOYER GARDEN CENTER







MAY 21st EVENT  
LINCOLN ZOO







Thank you guardian's for completing the waiver form for everyone to join our pickleball event!

JUNE 4th EVENT  
LET'S PICKLE!





Community Integration,  
Graduation & More





## Lord Is My Shepherd: Finding Peace in His Care



In one of the most comforting Bible passages, King David declares, “The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want” (Psalm 23:1). The word *want* in this case means “to have a need” or “to lack”; the psalmist’s confident assurance is that, with the Lord as his shepherd, he would never lack a thing. All his needs would be supplied.

David, who spent his boyhood tending his father’s flocks as written in 1 Samuel, knew something about the heart of a shepherd. He compared his relationship with God to that of sheep and a shepherd. The tender imagery underlines God’s personal care, guidance, and protection. King David trusted wholly in the Lord, knowing he would not lack anything because God was with Him as his shepherd.

As God’s sheep, we are precious to Him. He takes full responsibility for our needs, safety, and protection, even risking His own life for us. Jesus, who is “the great Shepherd of the sheep”, assured His disciples repeatedly that He would care for them, leading, guiding, protecting, and laying down His life for them (John 10:1–16, 26–30). Through His redeeming death on the cross, Jesus Christ paid for our sins and purchased us as His sheep. Even if, in our suffering and pain, we wander away from the Lord, we have a Good Shepherd in Jesus who is “the Guardian of [our] souls”. When we understand this truth, we can put our whole trust in Him and say, “I shall not want”. We discover that we now lack nothing necessary to experience abundant life in Him (2 Peter 1:3).

Jesus told His followers, “Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need” (Matthew 6:33). Our heaven-sent provision will flow from pursuing God’s kingdom first and staying in close fellowship with Him. Only then can we tap into His all-sufficient, unlimited supply of resources. We won’t have to worry about what to eat, drink, or wear because our loving Shepherd knows what we need. He will never abandon us or leave us begging for bread.

When we say, “I shall not want,” we also acknowledge our satisfaction with God and what He has given us. It means we have learned the secret of contentment, like the apostle Paul, who said, “I have learned how to be content with whatever I have. I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength” (Philippians 4:11-13).