



THE OLMSTEAD CASE

The Olmstead Case centered on two women, Lois Curtis and Elaine Wilson. Both had disabilities and experienced going in and out of state run hospitals. Their doctors believed they could safely live in the community. Every time they left the hospital, they would go home without support and end up back in a hospital. They asked the State of Georgia to give them the help they needed to integrate into their communities and stop going into hospitals.

The Supreme Court agreed with Lois and Elaine. The Court ruled they should have the supports needed to live in their homes and communities. The court required states to provide services in the community to people with disabilities when:

The services are appropriate;

The person does not oppose community-based services; and

The community-based services can be reasonably accommodated, taking into account the resources available and the needs of others receiving services.

NEBRASKA OLMSTEAD PLAN: GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Self Determination and Choice
- Independence and Least Restrictive
- Use of Respectful Language
- Evidence-Based Strategies
- Services Across the Life Span
- Safety
- Diversity
- Inclusion
- Integration
- Accountability

Thank You for joining us in our mission!

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

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*ABLED Cookout
July 2022*



NEBRASKA HAPPENINGS



ANNUAL BALLOON & WINE FESTIVAL

See hot air balloons launch at 7pm and glow at 9pm. Paramotor gliders and sky-diving, food, wine crafts and live music. Ta-Ha-Zouka Park in Elkhorn, just north of 204th & Dodge St.

- Friday, August 19
- Saturday, August 20
- General Admission \$15

MOVIES IN THE PARK

Bring lawn chairs or a blanket. No RSVP. No tickets. Movies will begin around 8:45-9:00 depending on sunset.

- Friday, September 9 | *American Underdog* | Antelope Park Bandshell | 1650 Memorial Dr | Rating: PG | 112 min
- Saturday, October 22 | *Space Jam: A New Legacy* | F St Community Center Gym | 1225 F St | Rating: PG | 115 min

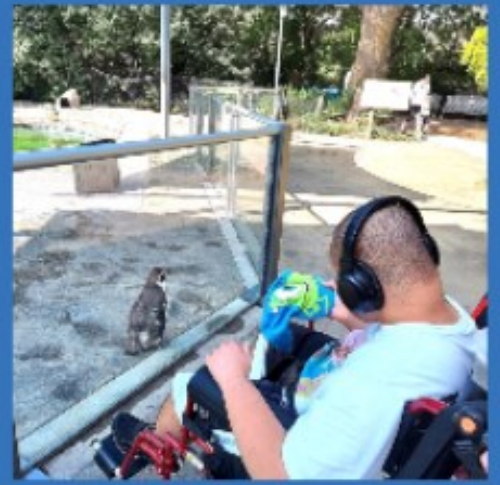


FABULOUS FINDS FLEA MARKET

It's a craft show, antique show, farmer's market and flea market!

- Admission: \$7 at the door
- Friday, Sep 9: 2-7 pm
- Saturday, Sep 10, 9am-4pm

Visit lincoln.org and visitnebraska.com to discover more events taking place in and around the city of Lincoln.





How can I have a closer relationship with God?

Developing a closer relationship with God is an admirable goal and reflects a heart that is truly reborn, for only those who are in Christ desire a closer relationship with God. We must also understand that in this life we will never be as close to God as we ought to be or desire to be. The reason for this is lingering sin in our lives. This is not a deficiency on God's part, but on ours; our sin remains a barrier to the full and complete fellowship with God which will be realized once we're in glory.

There are five basic things we can do to have a closer relationship with God.

1. The first thing we can do to have a closer relationship with God is to make a daily habit of confessing our sin to Him. It is more than saying sorry. It's the confession of one who realizes that his sin is what nailed Jesus Christ to the cross.
2. The second thing we can do to have a closer relationship with God is to listen when God speaks. If we want to grow closer to God, we should read His Word regularly. In reading His Word, we are "listening" to God speak through it by his Spirit who illuminates the Word to us.
3. The third thing we can do to have a closer relationship with God is to speak to Him through prayer. If reading the Bible is listening to God speak to us, speaking to God is accomplished through prayer.
4. The fourth thing we can do to have a closer relationship with God is to find a body of believers with whom we can regularly worship. This is such a vital component of spiritual growth. Have you felt the power of indwelt believers joining in worship, song and praise to the glory of God?
5. Finally, a closer relationship with God is built upon a life of obedience. We don't earn salvation through our obedience; rather, it is the way we show our love and gratitude toward God.

How do we develop a closer relationship with other human beings? We spend time with them in conversation, opening our hearts to them and listening to them at the same time. We acknowledge when we've done wrong and seek forgiveness. We seek to treat them well and sacrifice our own needs to fulfill theirs. It's not really that different with our relationship to our Heavenly Father.