

## **Local Resources for Grief and Loss**

### **1.Grief Share (Adults)**

Website: [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org)

a) Concord Baptist Church  
6905 Concord Rd. (off Bannister Road on Dawson Co. line)  
Cumming, GA 30028  
Contact: Sadie Johnson  
770-205-8017  
Email: [glennsadie@bellsouth.net](mailto:glennsadie@bellsouth.net)  
Group starts 8/23/2010

b) Oak Grove Baptist Church  
5640 Oak Grove Circle  
Cumming, GA 30028  
Contact: Daphne Bagley Moore  
770-781-2866  
Group: meets Wednesdays, 6:00-8:00pm from 9/8/2010—12/1/2010

c) North Lanier Baptist Church  
829 Atlanta Highway,  
Cumming, GA 30040  
770-887-5581  
Group: meets Wednesday, 6:30-8:00pm from 8/25/2010-11/17/2010

### **2.CIRCLE OF HOPE (ADULTS)**

Cumming First United Methodist Church  
770 Canton Hwy.  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Contact: Pastor Ron Preuss  
770-887-2900 ext 212  
[rpreuss@cfumcga.com](mailto:rpreuss@cfumcga.com)  
3 sessions -Fall/Winter/Spring for 8 weeks

### **3. Rainbows (Children):**

Cumming First United Methodist Church  
770 Canton Highway  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Contact: Kristy Thompson,  
(770) 887-2900 ext. 220  
[kthompson@cfumcga.com](mailto:kthompson@cfumcga.com)

## Additional Resources for Grief/Loss—Greater Atlanta Area

### **1.The Link (Adults/Children)**

Website: <http://www.thelink.org>

404-256-9797

Survivors of Suicide Groups (Adults):

#### **SANDY SPRINGS DAY GROUP**

1st Tuesday, 12 noon - 1:30 p.m.

#### **SANDY SPRINGS EVENING GROUP**

4th Tuesday 7:15 p.m.

#### **SANDY SPRINGS EVENING GROUP**

2nd Wednesday, 7:15 p.m.

All located at:

The Link Counseling Center

348 Mt. Vernon Highway, NE

Contact: Karen Opp 404-256-2919

### **2. The House Next Door (part of The Link—for Children/Teens):**

Website: [http://www.thelink.org/house\\_next\\_door.htm](http://www.thelink.org/house_next_door.htm)

404-256-9797

#### **THERAPEUTIC ACTIVITY SUPPORT GROUP FOR YOUNG CHILDREN**

Who: Children ages 4, 5, and 6

When: Mondays

Time: 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Leaders: Maxine Cooper, LMFT, LPC, MS

Renie Halperin, BEd

- Or -

Who: Children ages 7 - 8 years

When: Wednesdays

Time: 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Leaders: Maxine Cooper, LMFT,LPC, MS

Marty Platzner, LMFT, D Min

Barbara Greenblatt, BS

**\*No fee for either group\***

These ongoing children's groups are for children who have lost a family member, friend or caregiver. The activities will be similar to the ones described in the Children's Group, but modified to meet the different developmental levels of younger children. The children will experience the support and encouragement of others in similar situations. Please call Maxine Cooper at 404-256-9797 to register your child.

### **CHILDREN'S GROUPS**

Who: Children ages 7 - 8  
When: Wednesdays - call for starting date  
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Leader: Janet Mainor, LPC, MS  
Director, The House Next Door  
Fee: None

Who: Children ages 9 - 12  
When: Wednesdays - call for starting date  
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Leader: Janet Mainor, LPC, MS  
Director, The House Next Door  
Fee: None

These groups are a 9-week program, including therapeutic activities such as storytelling, art, music and play, for children who have experienced the death of a family member, friend or caregiver. The House Next Door offers support and acceptance through listening and sharing... children talking with other children who have also experienced loss, sharing concerns, feelings and experiences. Please call Janet Mainor at 404-256-9797 to register your child for the group.

### **TEEN BEREAVEMENT GROUP**

Who: Youth ages 13 and over  
When: Wednesdays  
Time: 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
Leaders: Karen McCarty, LMFT,  
LPC, MS  
Pat Falvey, Volunteer  
Fee: None

An ongoing support group for adolescents who have experienced the death of a loved one, such as a friend, sibling, parent or caregiver. Our group has been meeting weekly since April, 1993. New members are welcome at any time.

### **3. KATE'S CLUB**

<http://www.katesclub.org/>

1330 West Peachtree Street, Suite 520, Atlanta, GA 30309

Kate's Club is open to all children and teens living in the Metro-Atlanta area and surrounding counties who have experienced a death of a parent, sibling, or caregiver at some point in their lifetime. All programs at Kate's Club are free of charge to our participants and their families.

#### **How do I get my child/teen started?**

The Steps for participating in Kate's Club are as follows:

1. You'll need to complete an application - click [here](#) to download an application now. Send an email to [evyn@katesclub.org](mailto:evyn@katesclub.org) or call 404-347-7619 to have an application sent to you.
2. Mail/fax the completed and signed application back to Kate's Club when you and your child/teen feel comfortable to move forward. Our mailing address is: Kate's Club: PO Box 11805, Atlanta, GA 30355  
Our fax number is (404) 347-7621
- 3 . Attend the next scheduled New Family Orientation, open house program held monthly at the Clubhouse.

### **4. "CAMP STARS"**

Contact Barbara Moore: 404-869-3000

Children's camp: November

Family Camp: March

\*serves about 30 families. Each family gets their own cabin which can sleep up to 11 people, and other family members, such a grandparents, uncles, aunts, cousins, godparents, etc, are allowed. There is a \$40 registration fee, but that is the only cost. And, this fee can be waived if needed. The camp is located in Rutledge, GA, and applications may be found on the Visiting Nurse Health system website: [www.vnhs.org](http://www.vnhs.org)