

WOUNDED WARRIORS FAMILY GETAWAY

The main objective of The Joni and Friends International Disability Center *Wounded Warriors Family Getaway* is to create a safe and Christ-centered environment that allows soldiers, who have been disabled in service to their country, to freely discuss issues that deeply affect their personal lives. Understandably, many of their marriages and families are now in crisis due to the physical, emotional and financial consequences of a sudden disability.

Joni and Friends International Disability Center is committed to building stronger families by providing a safe place for military families to receive Christian counsel, encouragement, information and resources to help with the daily challenges of life with a disability.

The benefits from the *Wounded Warriors Family Getaway* are healed marriages and soldiers with a new-found hope in Christ that helps them along with their families to press forward in their new life situations.

With the success of the first two *Wounded Warriors Family Getaways* in 2008, the U.S. Army requested that Joni and Friends hold four more *Wounded Warriors Family Getaways*, two in 2009 and two in 2010. The first three *Wounded Warriors Family Getaways* have served more than 70 soldiers and their families; a total of more than 235 individuals.