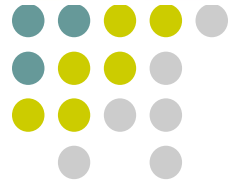


# FAMILIES EXPECTING CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

## *Providing Support*



### **STATEMENTS THAT MAY PROVIDE COMFORT**

- \* We are going to learn a lot*
- \* We will be here for you*
- \* We will love to babysit*
- Children are a blessing*
- This child will be loved*
- What can we do for you*
- Trust God, God is with you, we are with you*
- Everything is going to be alright*
- \* He /she looks like you*
- \* Congratulations!*

### **STATEMENTS THAT MAY NOT PROVIDE COMFORT**

- \* I am sorry*
- \* You are better to deal with this than I am*
- I couldn't do what you do*
- God only gives you what you can handle*
- \* Any statement that conveys a stereotype*  
*e.g. They are such loving kids*
- \* Statements conveying pity*