



Family Project: The New York Institute for Special Education (NYISE)

God made Fanny Crosby with some really amazing talents and abilities. He also made her without the ability to see, which is called "blind." Fanny attended school at the New York Institution for the Blind, now known as The New York Institute for Special Education (NYISE). Read Psalm 139 v 13 together and talk about how God makes us in his image. Then, read 1 Corinthians 15 v 35-44 and discuss how Christians will receive new bodies in the new creation.

Day 1: Overview

- Locate NYISE on a map.
- How many students attend NYISE?

- What is the NYISE mission?

Day 2: NYISE History

- When was the NYISE founded?

- When did the name of the school change from the New York Institution for the Blind to The New York Institute for Special Education?

- When did the NYISE rowing program begin?

Day 3: Education

- What is Braille?

- When is Braille Literacy Month?

- What is the Braille Challenge competition?

- If you can, find Braille around your community.

Day 4: Accomplishments

- Who invented Braille?

- Who was the first deaf and blind person to graduate from college?

- Look up Blessing Offor. In what ways is his story similar to and different from Fanny's?

Day 5: Ministries

- How does Special Touch Ministries serve people who are blind or have limited eyesight?

- How does Christian Blind Mission International (CBM) serve people who are blind or have limited eyesight?

- How can you help to serve those in your church and community who are blind or have limited eyesight?
