# **LGBTQ Spiritual Resources**

# **Atheist/Humanist**

Gay and Lesbian Humanists and Atheists (GALHA): <a href="http://www.galha.org/">http://www.galha.org/</a> Educational information, activism and support for LGBT Atheists and Humanists (London, England).

## **Baha'i Faith**

**Gay Baha'i:** <a href="http://www.gaybahai.net/">http://www.gaybahai.net/</a> Support, discussion, and information for the LGBT Baha'i community.

## **Buddhist Faith**

**Gay Buddhist Fellowship:** <a href="http://www.gaybuddhist.org/">http://www.gaybuddhist.org/</a> Buddhist resource for gay men.

## **Christian Faith**

**Gay Christian Network:** <a href="http://www.gaychristian.net/">http://www.gaychristian.net/</a> Membership of LGBTQ Christians and message board for LGBTQs affirming God's acceptance and love for all people regardless of their sexual orientation.

**Inspiritus:** <a href="http://www.inspiritus.myweb.nl/">http://www.inspiritus.myweb.nl/</a> Inspirational page with a focus on those who are seeking to reconcile Christian faith and homosexuality. It also includes excellent coming out stories from Christian LGBTQs.

**Soulforce:** <a href="http://www.soulforce.org/">http://www.soulforce.org/</a> Challenges the Religious Right through relentless nonviolent resistance to end the political and religious oppression of LGBTQI people.

**Christian Lesbians:** <a href="http://lesbepure.com/">http://lesbepure.com/</a> Information, resources and support for Christian lesbians feeling isolated.

# Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies in Religion and Ministry:

http://www.clgs.org/ Pacific School of Religion, research and resources, promoting leadership through education, serving, academics, faith and the LGBT community.

**Metropolitan Community Church:** <a href="http://mccchurch.org/">http://mccchurch.org/</a> The first openly affirming Christian religion in the United States.

# **Christian Denomination Specific**

**Baptist (Southern):** <a href="http://www.rainbowbaptists.org/">http://www.rainbowbaptists.org/</a> Rainbow Baptists: support, information and advocacy for LGBT Baptists and their families.

**Baptist (American):** <a href="http://www.awab.org/">http://www.awab.org/</a> Association of Welcoming and Affirming Baptists.

**Catholic:** <a href="https://www.dignityusa.org/">https://www.dignityusa.org/</a> The largest and most progressive organization of LGBTQ Catholics.

**GLAD Alliance:** <a href="http://gladalliance.org/">http://gladalliance.org/</a> Gay, Lesbian, and Affirming Disciples of GLAD. Sage and faithful place for LGBTQ and Affirming community.

**Episcopal:** <a href="http://www.integrityusa.org/">http://www.integrityusa.org/</a> Worship, fellowship, education, communication, outreach, and service to the church.

**Evangelicals Concerned, Inc.:** <a href="http://ecinc.org/">http://ecinc.org/</a> National network of gay and lesbian Evangelical Christians and friends.

**Jehovah's Witnesses:** <a href="http://gayxjw.org/">http://gayxjw.org/</a> LGBT support group for former and current Jehovah's Witnesses.

**Lutheran:** <a href="https://www.reconcilingworks.org/">https://www.reconcilingworks.org/</a> Lutherans Concerned of North America: Lutherans for Full Participation advocates for the full inclusion of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Lutherans in all aspects of the life of their Church and congregations.

**Methodist:** <a href="http://www.umaffirm.org/">http://www.umaffirm.org/</a> Affirmation: United Methodists for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered Concerns.

**Mormon:** <a href="http://www.affirmation.org/">http://www.affirmation.org/</a> Affirmation: An association of LGBTQ Mormons. The association offers its members strength and support in solving personal problems through mutual acceptance and fellowship.

**Presbyterian:** <a href="http://www.mlp.org/">http://www.mlp.org/</a> More Light Presbyterians.

**Quaker:** <a href="http://www.quaker.org/flgbtqc/">http://www.quaker.org/flgbtqc/</a> A Quaker LGBT faith community within the Religious Society of Friends.

**Seventh-Day Adventist:** <a href="http://www.sdakinship.org/">http://www.sdakinship.org/</a> Support organization devoted to the spiritual, emotional, social and physical well-being of SDAs.

**Unitarian Universalists:** <a href="http://www.uua.org/lgbtq">http://www.uua.org/lgbtq</a> We create inclusive religious communities and work for LGBTQ justice and equity as a core part of who we are.

Metropolitan Community Churches: <a href="http://www.mccchurch.org/">http://www.mccchurch.org/</a> The first LGBTQ affirming Christian church in the United States.

## **Jewish Faith**

**Nehirim:** <a href="http://www.nehirim.org/">http://www.nehirim.org/</a> A national community of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) Jews, families, and allies, committed to a more just and inclusive world.

**Orthodox Jews:** <a href="http://www.orthogays.org/">http://www.orthogays.org/</a> Message board, frequently asked questions, and other links.

Twice Blessed: http://www.usc.edu/isd/archives/oneigla/tb. Jewish LGBT archives of different media sources.

### **Muslim Faith**

**LGBT Muslim Retreat:** <a href="http://www.lgbtmuslimretreat.com/">http://www.lgbtmuslimretreat.com/</a> Their goal is to gather together an LGBTQ community of individuals who identify as Muslim culturally, religiously, ideologically and/or politically.

Muslims for Progressive Values: <a href="http://www.mpvusa.org/">http://www.mpvusa.org/</a> A place where LGBTQ Muslims can be an effective voice of the traditional Qur'anic ideals of human dignity, egalitarianism, compassion and social justice.

**Queer Jihad:** <a href="http://www.well.com/user/queerjhd/">http://www.well.com/user/queerjhd/</a> Articles, links, essays and message groups.

#### **Pagan Faith**

**Pagan Space:** <a href="http://www.paganspace.net/group/gaypagans">http://www.paganspace.net/group/gaypagans</a> Network of Pagans offering resources, friendship, and support to all Pagans of LGBTQ orientations.

#### **General Faith Resources**

Frontline's "Assault on Gay America, the Life and Death of Billy Jack Gaither," <a href="http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/shows/assault">http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/shows/assault</a> Bible scholars and religious leaders interpret and debate scripture references to homosexuality. Also: homophobic questionnaire, discussion, video ordering options.

**Gay Spirituality:** Amazon link to book by Toby Johnson. The author explores how the rise of gay identity has become an important part of contemporary religious development.

**Is God Anti-Gay?** Amazon link to book by Samuel Allberry. This book offers a positive and liberating way forward through the LGBTQ Christian debate.

**Soulful Power:** <a href="http://www.soulfulpower.com/category/blog/">http://www.soulfulpower.com/category/blog/</a> An LGBTQ affirming blog written to help those discover meaning and spirituality in their lives.

Steps to Recovery from Bible Abuse: <u>Amazon link to book by Dr. Rembert Truluck</u>. For those LGBTQs and all others oppressed and alienated by religion.

Torn: Rescuing the Gospel from the Gays-vs-Christians Debate

Amazon link to book by Justin Lee. More than just a memoir, TORN provides insightful, practical guidance for all committed Christians who wonder how to relate to gay friends or family members—or who struggle with their own sexuality.

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