

New  
Members  
Welcome

***Come join fellow members of the  
Individualized Funding Coalition for Ontario  
and spend an eventful day with John O'Brien at. . .***

## **Walking Out, Walking On**

If you want to walk fast, walk alone.  
If you want to walk far, walk together."

African proverb

**Monday, Jan. 23, 2012**

9:00 am arrival; starts **9:30 am sharp**  
Event ends at 5:00 pm (approximately)

**Church of the Christian Community**

901 Rutherford Rd., Vaughan, Ontario L64 1S2  
(near the corner of Bathurst and Rutherford,  
just west of Bathurst)



John O'Brien learns about building more just and inclusive communities from people with disabilities, their families, and their allies. He uses what he learns to advise people with disabilities and their families, advocacy groups, service providers, and governments and to spread the news among people interested in change by writing and through workshops. He works in partnership with Connie Lyle O'Brien and a group of friends from 12 countries.

John has a gift for provoking thought and action in individuals and families about what really matters. He will share some stories; he will listen and he will inspire us to think about **walking out of beliefs and challenges that will hold us back**. John will share with us the latest and greatest information he has from around the world. He will help people get focused individually, collectively and provide us with a foundation to work from. *Note: IFCO members will be reflecting on what was shared and learned at the event as they set priorities and actions for the future at a later date.*

***"Walking out is an act of bravery, one that requires companions, compassion, determination and perseverance. Yet if we're brave enough to take that leap, we are richly rewarded. We walk out of confining ideas and places, we remove the limits and barriers and our world becomes wide open to possibilities. We feel creative again, sometimes outrageously so."***

*Quote from the book 'Walk Out Walk On: A Learning Journey into Communities Daring to Live the Future Now' by Margaret Wheatley and Deborah Frieze*

### **RSVP**

by emailing your name, address, and phone to Selena Blake at: [sb@extendafamily.ca](mailto:sb@extendafamily.ca)  
Please include any special dietary considerations

Deadline to RSVP: January 19, 2012

**Cost for the Event is \$15.00**

Payable at the door between 9 and 9:30 am

IFCO Memberships for 2012 can also be paid at the door!

**RSVP by  
Jan. 19th**