



RACIAL RECONCILIATION PLAN AND RESOURCE GUIDE

During this time of social unrest and call for racial justice, many have asked, "What can I do?" As many of us are novices to this, perhaps a better question is, "Where do I start?" Below is a guide with necessary elements to begin developing a DNA (individually and as a church) that seeks to "love mercy, do justice, and walk humbly with our God" (Micah 6:8).

PRAY DILIGENTLY AND WITHOUT CEASING

- For your own heart—that God may reveal "if there is any offensive way in me." And that the Lord may break your heart for the evil that racism is and for our friends of color who know it too well.
- For victims' families—that they may find justice and be comforted.
- For the police officers of our communities—that they may be God's instruments of peace and justice and mercy.
- For our extremely divided nation—that we may find peace and unity as we try to move toward "liberty and justice for all."
- For churches (Trinity included)—that they not become complacent but be instruments of peace seeking to be vessels of racial reconciliation.

READ/LEARN

Books for Adults

- White Awake* (Daniel Hill)
- Be the Bridge* (Latasha Morrison)
- Divided by Faith* (Michael O. Emerson/Christian Smith)
- The Color of Compromise* (Jemar Tisby)
- Woke Church* (Eric Mason)
- Between the World and Me* (Ta-Nehisi Coates)

Historical Books

- Harriet Tubman* (Sarah H. Bradford)
- Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass* (Frederick Douglass)
- Letter From Birmingham Jail* (Martin Luther King, Jr.)
- Let Justice Roll Down* (John M. Perkins)

Books for Kids

- The Skin You Live In* (Michael J. Tyler)
- God's Very Good Idea* (Trillia Newbell)
- The Colors of Us* (Karen Katz)
- Martin's Big Words* (Doreen Rappaport)

WATCH

Films that help make us more aware of racial justice issues

- Just Mercy*
- Best of Enemies*
- Selma*
- 13th* (Netflix)
- When They See Us* (Netflix)

DO AND GO

Follow these organizations and People of Color (and faith) on social media

- Jemar Tisby (*Pass the Mic*) / @jemartisby
- Bryan Stevenson / @bryanstevensonofficial
- Equal Justice Initiative / @eji_org
- Dr. Eric M. Mason / @pastoremase
- Latasha Morrison (*Be the Bridge*) / @latashamorrison
- Mika Edmondson / @mika_edmondson
- Christina Edmonson / @joypeacecbe
- Kyle Howard / @kylejhoward_
- Rich Villodas / @richvillodas
- Austin Channing Brown / @austinchanning
- Jackie Hill Perry / @jackiehillperry
- Ekemini Uwan / @sistatheology
- Dr. Bryan Loritts / @loritts

Join a Facebook group dedicated to racial reconciliation

- Be the Bridge
- OneRace

Take a trip to these historically significant places

- The National Civil Rights Museum (Memphis, TN)
- The National Memorial for Peace and Justice (Montgomery, AL)
- The African-American Museum (Washington, D.C.)
- The Underground Railroad Museum (Cincinnati, OH)