Suggested Books for topic of Racial Justice updated January 17, 2024

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This is, by no means, an exhaustive list of all books addressing the issues of Racial Justice. This list has been compiled by members of the United Women in Faith, Northwest Texas Conference Racial Justice Committee. Many of these books are from the Reading Program. Those eligible for credit in this program are indicated by year and category.

It's important to remember that Racial Justice is more than a black/white issue. With that in mind, books are included that address the issues facing many minority populations.

One of our Mission Today guidelines is to Implement the Charter for Racial Justice. Another Mission Today guideline is to Use one or more Reading Program books as a resource for local or district programs at meetings. Record what you have done on your Mission Today report.

Books from the Reading Program

First White Frost 2018 EM

The Amazing Age of John Roy Lynch 2018 LD

An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States 2018 NC

Detained and Deported 2018 NC

America's Original Sin 2018 SA

Pushout 2018 SA

All the Colors We Are 2019 NC

Deep Denial 2019 NC

Do All Lives Matter 2019 SA

Where do we go from Here? 2019 SA

Who is My Neighbor? (children) 2020 NC

Immigration and Justice for Our Neighbors 2020 SA

Who Lynched Willie Earle 2020 SA

So You Want to Talk About Race 2020 SA

Gum Moon 2021 EM

Unstoppable Garrett Morgan (youth) 2021 EM

Anxious to Talk About it 2021 LD

Not Your Princess 2021 LD

Rise! (youth) 2021 LD

Ferguson and Faith 2021 SA

For Such a Time as This 2021 SA

Indian No More 2021 NC

Small Great Things 2021 SA

Finding Jesus at the Border 2021 EM

First and Only 2021 EM

How to Be an Antiracist 2021 EM

Vanguard 2021 EFM

Becoming 2021 LD

Hidden Figures 2021 LD

Stamped 2021 LD

Grit in Juarez 2021 NC

She Came to Stay, Harriett Tubman 2021 NC

Ferguson and Faith 2021 SA

For Such a Time as This 2021 SA

Separated by the Border 2021 SA

They Call Me Guero 2021 SG

Being Sheela EM/2023

I am a Man EM/2023

Stamped EM/2023

Susan Angeline Collins EM/2023 Bonus

Ida B The Queen LD/2023

Knock at Midnight LD/2023

On the Come Up LD/2023

Pioneer Black Clergywomen LD/2023

White Fragility: Why It’s So Hard for White NC/2023

Black was the Ink SA/2023

Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents 2023 SA Bonus

Cousins SA/2023

The New American SA/2023

I’m Still Here Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness SA/2023

Eyes That Kiss in the Corners by Ho NC/2023 children’s book

The Book of Rosy by Cruz EM/2024

They Called Us Enemy by Takei EM/2024

Who is Florence Price by Music Students LD/2024

Lead from the Outside by Abrams LD/2024

Recommended Books not currently in the UMW Reading Program

Confronting Hate by Deborah Hart Strober and Gerald S. Strober

Dear White America by Tim Wise

Dear White Christians: For Those Still Longing for Racial Reconciliation by Jennifer Harvey

Dying of Whiteness: How the Politics of Racial Resentment Is Killing America's Heartland by Jonathan M. Metzl

His Truth is marching on: John Lewis and the Power of Hope, by Jon Mecham.

How To be an Antiracist by Ibram X. Kendi

I’m Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness by Austin Channing Brown

Racial Justice and the Catholic Church by Bryan N. Massingale

Sing a Rhythm, Dance a Blues by Monique W. Morris

So You Want to Talk About Race by Ijeoma Oluo

Stamped from the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racial Ideas in America by Ibram X. Kendi

The New Jim Crow Mass Incarceration by Michelle Alexander

The Warmth of Other Suns by Isabel Wilkerson

Uprooting Racism How White People Can Work for Racial Justice by Paul Kivel

Yours for Justice, Ida B. Wells: The Daring Life of a Crusading Journalist by Philip Dray and Stephen Alcorn (Children)

Just Mercy 2016 SA

Dreamers 2016 NC

Dreaming in Indian 2016 NC

Liberating Black Church History 2017 EM

Called to the Fire 2017 LD

Pre-Post-Racial America: Spiritual Stories from the Front Lines 2017 SA

Understanding and Dismantling Racism 2017 SA