

Our 2021 vision at The Summit Church is to rise up as children of God in an uncertain world. One way we plan to walk this spiritual journey is by having conversations on topics that relate to equality for all humans, especially the oppressed. We hope to bring awareness and education on social topics and make connections to faith and the Bible.

Our first conversation will happen on Sunday, February 28th, at 7 p.m. online. Our Outreach Coordinator has prepared a list of recommended readings, movies, or podcasts for you to choose from. During the month of February, we encourage you to choose something to study, or choose a related item you've heard of elsewhere, and bring your thoughts on what you've learned to the conversation. This will be a sort of Show-and-Tell on how the material you chose has impacted the way you view racial justice as a calling for Jesus-followers. Also, this is a learning experience, so it's okay if you're new to this topic and have questions. We all hope to learn from the dialogue.

NOTE FROM AMANDA: These are primarily recommendations that relate to Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Black History Month, the Civil Rights and Black Lives Matter movements, and issues facing Black Americans. I would highly recommend seeking additional content that may deal with issues in other communities of color, especially indigenous communities given our location and history. I have read/viewed/listened to much of this content, but not everything. These are all resources which have been recommended on multiple anti-racist/racial justice forums, but you may want to screen for appropriateness, especially when sharing with children.

Consider tracking your journey using this <u>21-Day Racial Equity Challenge resource</u> to diversify the content you consume and encourage anti-racist habit-building.

# NONFICTION BOOKS

- How to be an Anti-Racist by Dr. Ibram X. Kendi
- <u>"Stamped from the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America"</u> by Dr. Ibram X. Kendi
- Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates
- <u>I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness</u> by Austin Channing Brown
- White Fragility: Why It's so Hard for White People to Talk about Racism by Robin DiAngelo

## FICTION BOOKS

- The Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead
- An American Marriage by Tayari Jones
- Sing, Unburied, Sing by Jesmyn Ward
- <u>Counting Descent</u> by Clint Smith

## YOUNG ADULT FICTION BOOKS

- The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas
- The Bluest Eye by Toni Morrison

# YOUNG ADULT NONFICTION

- <u>Stamped: Racism, Antiracism and You: A Remix of the National Book</u>
  <u>Award-winning "Stamped from the Beginning"</u> by Jason Reynolds and Dr.
  Ibram X. Kendi
- This Book is Anti-Racist: 20 Lessons on How to Wake Up, Take Action, and Do the Work by Tiffany Jewell

#### KIDS BOOKS

- <u>Let's Talk About Race</u> by Julius Lester
- <u>All Are Welcome</u> by Alexandra Penfold, Suzanne Kaufman
- <u>Freedom on the Menu: The Greensboro Sit-Ins</u> by Carole Boston Weatherford
- <u>A Kids Book About...</u> series includes books on racism, white supremacy, privilege and other topics beyond racial justice

### **PODCAST SERIES**

- 1619 (The New York Times)
- <u>Nice White Parents</u> (Serial & the New York Times)
- White Lies (NPR)
- Dreams of Black Wall Street
- Code Switch (NPR)
  - "The Code Switch Guide to Race and Policing" Spotify playlist
  - "Code Switch for Kids" Spotify playlist
- <u>"For the love of Black Lives"</u> series (Series 29) of For the Love with Jen Hatmaker
- <u>Uncivil</u> (Gimlet)

# SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS

- Black OurstoryHere Wee Read

# FILM

- 13th (Netflix)

- Dear White People (Netflix)
  Just Mercy (HBO Now)
  The Hate U Give (Amazon)
  Zootopia (Disney+)