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Dear Readers,

When I was a little girl, permission to walk somewhere by myself marked a huge, longed-for milestone. It meant independence. It meant freedom. It meant the chance to explore the world. The first place I was allowed to visit alone? The local public library.

A grey stone building at the corner of a sleepy intersection, the library proved itself to be a magical place: safe enough for a young girl on her own, yet containing the promise of almost-infinite possibility. The towering fiction shelves held the weight of an endless parade of complex and vivid characters inside thrilling stories. The rows upon rows of nonfiction were best navigated through a mystifying set of tiny paper cards in long wooden boxes. Carefully penciled call numbers led me to books that helped answer my many newly emerging questions about the world and myself. Meanwhile, a randomly pulled hardcover from here and there invited me beyond the bounds of the questions I'd thought to ask, introducing me to new information and ideas that showed me how wide and wonderful the world really was. Inside the library doors, my then-shy childhood self found a vast world to wander safely at her leisure.

Thirty years later, I have added other means of exploration to my repertoire, and now I take my own toddler to the public library whenever I can, because the world of books wows me still. I have known the wonderful sensation of a writer articulating something I've always felt somewhere in my spirit, but had never been able to name before seeing it on the page. I have found, too, an invitation into deep engagement with perspectives and experiences far different from my own, challenging my assumptions about other people, and giving me not just new information but new insight. Both of these reading experiences can be a great gift, vitally needed in times such as these. This is the power of the Reading Program.

As you engage with this year's reading list, I invite you to open your mind and your heart to experiences of both profound resonance and deep difference. Learn from our authors. Stop and wonder, lingering with perspectives and experiences outside your usual go-to list. Pause and journal on what moves your soul. Read the books that seem right up your alley – and perhaps one or two that are beyond your comfort zone. Are you a regular reader of adult nonfiction? Add a YA novel to your list and see what you make of it. Are you all-in for social action? Try a bit of spiritual growth, as well. If you want to go deeper, read together, sharing this book list with a family member, friend, or colleague. You may create a formal book group or it may be something more casual – whatever works for you. Consider intergenerational options. Children and youth love the wonder of reading, and the Reading Program is proud to feature a selection of books curated for all ages. Please consider sharing some of the enclosed book selections with children and youth in your life and then talk together about what you read. Adults, youth, and children can all benefit from the experience.

Finally, as you join the Reading Program journey this year, know that we are praying for you along the way. May this Reading Program nourish your soul, strengthen your understanding, and equip each of you for the work the Spirit has placed in your heart.

Peace and blessings,

Emily A Jones

Emily Jones
Executive for Racial Justice



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OVERVIEW

The Reading Program is a cherished United Women in Faith tradition that brings together members in mission as they explore, share, and discuss the written word.

To participate, select one of the four plans on page 4—and start reading! From captivating mysteries and heartfelt biographies to urgent messages about issues like immigration, racism, and mental healthcare, there's something for everyone.

Reading Program books are divided into five categories: **Education for Mission, Leadership Development, Nurturing for Community, Social Action**, and **Spiritual Growth**. Books are available for people of all ages and reading levels. Books that are suitable for children or youth will be listed among the five categories; look for “Suitable for children” or “Suitable for youth” following book descriptions. As you read, track your progress using the reporting form on page 26. When you complete a plan, you will be acknowledged with a Certificate of Recognition, available on page 28.

Earning your Certificate of Recognition is just one way to show what you've gained from the Reading Program. The Reading Program is not meant to be completed alone, even when social distancing. As you read, consider taking one or more of the following actions:

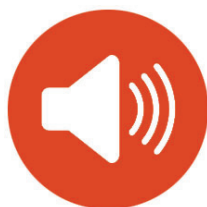
Take Action

- **Promote the Reading Program.** Share the program with United Women in Faith members and members of the community on LISTSERVs, online message boards, or on social media. Help people obtain books and distribute this guide.
- **Connect with local and district groups.** Start a virtual book club over Zoom, Google Hangouts, or another videoconferencing platform. Download books and present book reviews at virtual meetings, share a spreadsheet tracking progress (through Google Docs, for example), and post information in online groups.
- **Pray.** Books often raise concerns about people, countries, and issues. Bring these concerns to God during your prayer time.
- **Advocate for tangible change.** Many Reading Program books address important social issues. And many address racism.
- If you're not able to engage in demonstrations or other in-person activities, organize a remote task force to discuss ways to impact your community virtually.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION



Where to get books: We encourage you to get books at your public library, from your favorite local bookstore or through an online retailer. United Women in Faith does not stock nor sell most of the books directly.



Audio access: You are always welcome to use audiobooks, if that's an easier way for you to access the material.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

This certifies that _____

has completed plan _____ of the Reading Program of United Methodist Women and is hereby awarded this certificate by _____

Presented on the _____ day of _____, 20____

United Women in Faith

Secretary of Region Resources _____ President _____

Reporting and recognition: Recognition of Reading Program participation is handled at the district and/or conference level of United Women in Faith. Please reach out to your district/conference leadership team for the relevant details about where and when to submit your reporting form in order to receive recognition for completing one of the reading plans.

REPORT OF COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS
(Read completion requirements carefully and complete this form for each reading plan.)

NAME: _____ PLAN CHOSEN: I II III IV CURRENT YEAR: _____

MISSION EMPHASES

Education for Mission	<input type="checkbox"/> I have completed the required reading for PLAN I. The books I have read are listed on this form. LOCAL UNIT _____ DISTRICT _____ CONFERENCE _____ FIRST NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP _____ <input type="checkbox"/> I have also read response regularly.
Leadership Development	
Nurturing for Community	
Social Action	
Spiritual Growth	

Eligible years: For 2023, books from the 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021-2022, and 2023 Reading Program lists are all eligible for Reading Program reporting credit, if you have not previously read them.



Bonus Books: Bonus Books are credited towards the reading plan as the equivalent of two books.

See Bonus Book section starting on page 22.

Note: For the Spiritual Growth Bonus Books, you must participate in or lead one of the studies in order to receive Reading Program credit. You may attend or lead the 8-part Mission u study either in a conference/district Mission u context or in your own local context (church, unit, otherwise) to receive Bonus Book credit. If you read the study but do not lead/participate in a group, it counts as only one credit.



Faith Talks: You can also receive Reading Program credit for listening to the *Faith Talks* podcast. Listening to at least two episodes of *Faith Talks* counts as the equivalent of one book in the spiritual growth category.



Movies: Several movies are also available for Reading Program credit, including:

 *Hidden Figures*  *Pushout*  *The Hate U Give*

In determining the category for credit, identify the category of the original book and apply credit for the film to the same category.



Book recommendations: If you would like to suggest a book for consideration for a future Reading Program catalog, you can do so using the Reading Program page of uwfaith.org



Reading Enthusiasts group: We invite you to join us for a virtual chat group about books we love on the Mighty Networks platform.

For people who are new to Mighty Networks:

<https://bit.ly/reading-enthusiasts>

For people who are already on Mighty Networks:

<https://bit.ly/reading-enthusiasts-MN>

READING PROGRAM PLANS



Eligible years: For 2023, books from the 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021-2022 and 2023 Reading Program lists are all eligible for Reading Program reporting credit, if you have not previously read them.

PLAN 1

- 5 books each year.
- 1 book from each category.
- Selections from the current reading lists if not included in previous reports.
- Regular reading of **response** magazine.

PLAN II

- 10 books each year.
- 2 books from each category.
- Selections from the current reading lists if not included in previous reports.
- Regular reading of **response** magazine.

PLAN III

- 15 books each year.
- 2 books from each category.
- PLUS 5 additional books from any category.
- Selections from the current reading lists if not included in previous reports.
- Regular reading of **response** magazine.

PLAN IV

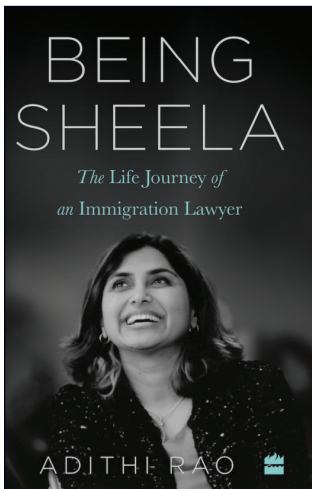
- 20 books each year.
- 2 books from each category.
- PLUS 10 additional books from any category
- Selections from the current reading lists if not included in previous reports.
- Regular reading of **response** magazine.

Books can be purchased directly from the retailer of your choice or borrowed from your local public library.

For books on previous reading lists, go to:
uwfaith.org/resources/2022-reading-program/



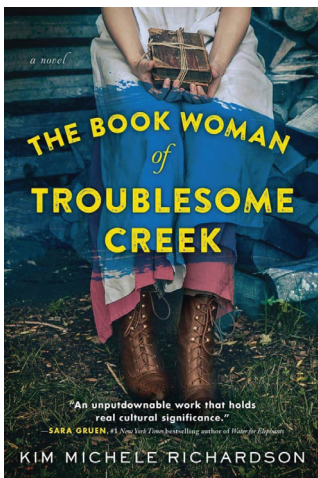
EDUCATION FOR MISSION



BEING SHEELA: THE LIFE JOURNEY OF AN IMMIGRATION LAWYER

ADITHI RAO
HARPERCOLLINS INDIA (2020)

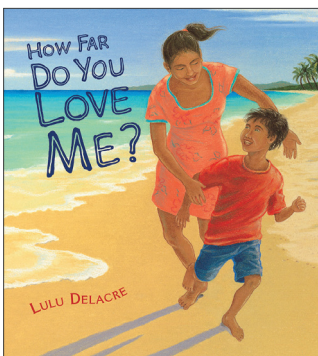
A young mother separated from her children for eight long years; a man facing deportation after being mistaken for a terrorist; a woman forced to endure domestic violence so she can retain her right to remain in her adopted country—these are just a few of the thousands immigration lawyer Sheela Murthy has helped in her long career as a philanthropist. From her birth in India through law school at Harvard and starting one of the world's most successful immigration law firms, Adithi Rao explores the journey of a woman driven to help others overcome injustice, dispossession, and legal tangles so they may live a life of dignity in an increasingly challenging world.



THE BOOK WOMAN OF TROUBLESOME CREEK - NOVEL

KIM MICHELE RICHARDSON
SOURCEBOOKS LANDMARK (2019)

Inspired by the true blue-skinned people of Kentucky and the dedicated Kentucky Pack Horse library service of the 1930s, this best-selling historical novel follows packhorse librarian Cussy Mary Carter and her quest to bring books to Troublesome Creek. The last of her kind, her skin a shade of blue unlike most anyone else, Cussy has to confront prejudice as old as the Appalachias and suspicion as deep as the holler to bring the joy of books to the hill folks. *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* is a story of raw courage, fierce strength, and one woman's belief that books can carry us anywhere—even back home.



HOW FAR DO YOU LOVE ME?

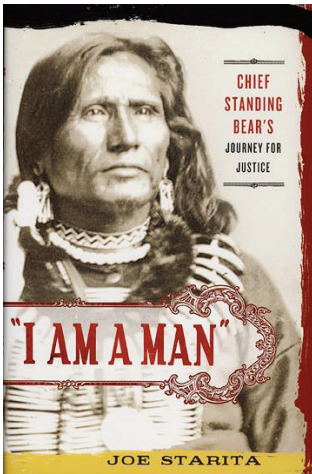
LULU DELACRE
LEE & LOW BOOKS (2021)

This unique bedtime book by award-winning author-illustrator Lulu Delacre features a game that highlights the universal love between caregivers and children while taking readers on a journey across the seven continents of earth. Based on a bedtime game Delacre played with her young daughters, is an I love you book with a twist. With every expression of love, readers visit a different location around the world, each a beautifully illustrated scene of caregivers and children in a place of natural beauty.

Suitable for children.



EDUCATION FOR MISSION



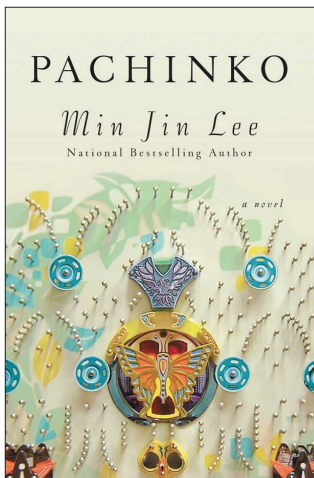
“I AM A MAN”

CHIEF STANDING BEAR’S JOURNEY FOR JUSTICE

JOE STARITA

ST. MARTIN’S GRIFFIN (2010)

In 1877, Chief Standing Bear’s Ponca Indian tribe was forcibly removed from their Nebraska homeland and marched to Indian Territory (now Oklahoma), in what became the tribe’s own Trail of Tears. *“I Am a Man”* chronicles what happened when Standing Bear set off on a 600-mile walk to return the body of his only son to their traditional burial ground. Along the way, it examines the complex relationship between the United States government and the small, peaceful tribe and the legal consequences of land swaps and broken treaties, while never losing sight of the heartbreaking journey the Ponca endured. It also explores fundamental issues of citizenship, constitutional protection, cultural identity, and democracy—issues that continue to resonate loudly today.

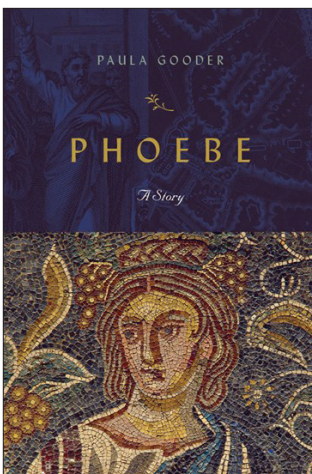


PACHINKO – NOVEL

MIN JIN LEE

GRAND CENTRAL PUBLISHING (2017)

Among *New York Times* Top Ten Books of the Year and National Book Award finalist, this novel details the four generations of an immigrant family as they fight to control their destiny in 20th-century Japan. When teenaged Sunja discovers she is pregnant—and her lover is married—she accepts an offer of marriage from a gentle, sickly minister passing through Korea on his way to Japan. But her decision sets off a dramatic saga that echoes through the generations. From bustling street markets to the halls of Japan’s finest universities to the pachinko parlors of the criminal underworld, Lee’s complex and passionate characters survive and thrive against the indifferent arc of history.



PHOEBE: A STORY – NOVEL

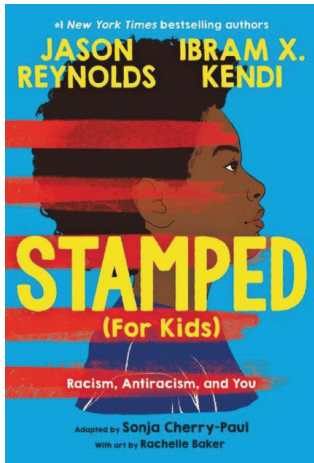
PAULA GOODER

INTERVARSITY PRESS (2018)

When the apostle Paul wrote to the church in Rome around 56 AD, he entrusted his letter to Phoebe, the deacon of the church at Cenchreae. But who was this remarkable woman? In her debut novel, biblical scholar Paula Gooder tells Phoebe’s story—who she was, the life she lived, and her first-century faith—and in doing so opens up Paul’s theology, giving a sense of the cultural and historical pressures that shaped Paul’s thinking, and the faith of the early church.



EDUCATION FOR MISSION



STAMPED (FOR KIDS): RACISM, ANTIRACISM, AND YOU

JASON REYNOLDS AND IBRAM X. KENDI

LITTLE, BROWN BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS (2021)

Adapted from the award-winning, bestselling *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You*, this book takes young readers on a journey from present to past and back again. Kids will discover where racist ideas came from, identify how they impact America today, and meet those who have fought racism with antiracism. Along the way, they'll learn how to identify and stamp out racist thoughts in their own lives—and learn that talking about race is one of the most important things to learn how to do. Ibram X. Kendi's research, Jason Reynolds' and Sonja Cherry-Paul's writing, and Rachelle Baker's art come together in this vital read.

Suitable for youth.



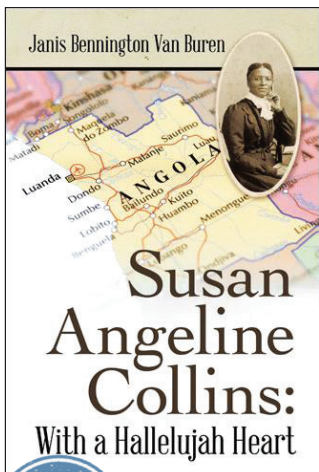
SUPER CILANTRO GIRL / LA SUPERNIÑA DEL CILANTRO

JUAN FELIPE HERRERA AND ILLUSTRATED BY HONORIO ROBLEDOTAPIA

LEE & LOW BOOKS (2022)

Authored by former U.S. poet laureate Juan Felipe Herrera, this empowering story centers on a young girl who uses her superpowers to rescue her mamá from the United States-Mexico border. Young Esmeralda Sinfronteras eagerly waits for her mamá to come home from Mexico so the two of them can be together again. But when Esmeralda learns that that her mother is being kept at the United States-Mexico border, she decides to use her newfound powers to save Mamá herself. In a daring rescue, Esmeralda—now known as Super Cilantro Girl—finds her mother, evades the border patrol, and successfully reunites her family.

Suitable for children.



SUSAN ANGELINE COLLINS: WITH A HALLELUJAH HEART

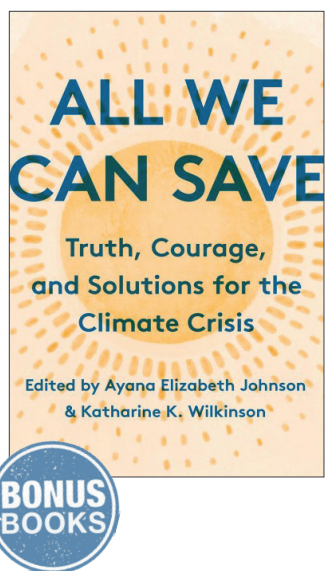
JANIS BENNINGTON VAN BUREN

WESTBOW PRESS (2021)

Years before Mary Jane McLeod Bethune started her school for girls in Florida, one Midwestern woman was steadily doing her part for girls in the northern Angolan high plateau. For more than three decades, African American missionary Susan Angeline Collins made a tremendous difference in the lives of countless African women and children, some orphaned and homeless and others escaping early marriage and subservience. Authored by retired professor Janis Bennington Van Buren, this book explores the remarkable service-oriented life of Collins from her 1851 birth in Illinois until her 1940 death in Iowa. Collins overcame economic, education, gender, race, religious, and other obstacles surrounding Africa's colonization to serve as a stalwart missionary, leader, teacher, nurse, construction manager, and surrogate mother to "her girls."



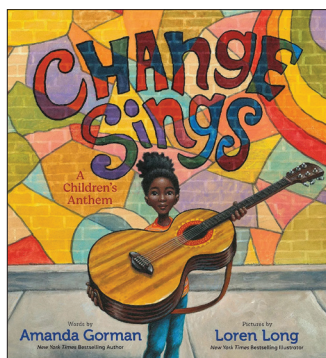
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



ALL WE CAN SAVE: TRUTH, COURAGE, AND SOLUTIONS FOR THE CLIMATE CRISIS

AYANA ELIZABETH JOHNSON AND KATHERINE K. WILKINSON
ONE WORLD (2022)

Named one of the best books of the year by *Smithsonian* magazine, *All We Can Save* illuminates the expertise and insights of dozens of diverse women leading on climate in the United States—scientists, journalists, farmers, lawyers, teachers, activists, innovators, wonks, and designers, across generations, geographies, and race—and aims to advance a more representative, nuanced, and solution-oriented public conversation on the climate crisis. These women offer a spectrum of ideas and insights for how we can rapidly, radically reshape society. Intermixing essays with poetry and art, this book is both a balm and a guide for knowing and holding what has been done to the world, while bolstering our resolve never to give up on one another or our collective future.

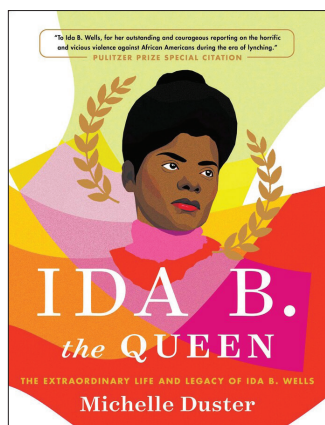


CHANGE SINGS: A CHILDREN'S ANTHEM

AMANDA GORMAN AND ILLUSTRATED BY LOREN LONG
VIKING BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS (2021)

In this stirring, much-anticipated picture book by presidential inaugural poet and activist Amanda Gorman, anything is possible when our voices join together. As a young girl leads a cast of characters on a musical journey, they learn that they have the power to make changes—big or small—in the world, in their communities, and, most importantly, in themselves. *Change Sings* is a triumphant call to action for everyone to use their abilities to make a difference.

Suitable for children; will be released in Spanish in Fall 2022.



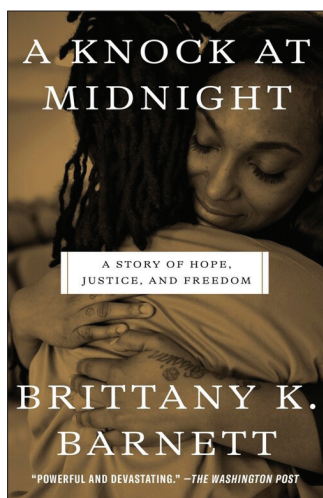
IDA B. THE QUEEN: THE EXTRAORDINARY LIFE AND LEGACY OF IDA B. WELLS

MICHELLE DUSTER
ATRIA/ONE SIGNAL PUBLISHERS (2021)

Journalist. Suffragist. Antilynching crusader. In 1862, Ida B. Wells was born enslaved in Holly Springs, Mississippi. In 2020, she awarded a Pulitzer Prize. *Ida B. the Queen* tells the awe-inspiring story of a pioneering woman who was often overlooked and underestimated—a woman who refused to exit a train car meant for white passengers; a woman who brought to light the horrors of lynching in America; and a woman who cofounded the NAACP. Written by Wells' great-granddaughter Michelle Duster, it is a unique visual celebration of Wells' life, and of the Black experience.



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



A KNOCK AT MIDNIGHT: A STORY OF HOPE, JUSTICE AND FREEDOM

BRITTANY K. BARNETT

CROWN (2021)

Brittany K. Barnett was a law student when she came across the case that would change her life forever—that of Sharanda Jones, single mother, businessowner, and, like her, Black daughter of the rural South. A victim of America's war on drugs, Sharanda had been separated from her young daughter and was serving a life sentence without parole for a first-time drug offense. As Barnett studied this case, a system came into focus with widespread racial injustice at the core of America's addiction to incarceration. Moved, Barnett set to work to gain Sharanda's freedom. The memoir is at once Barnett's coming-of-age story and a powerful evocation of what it takes to bring hope and justice to a system built to resist them.



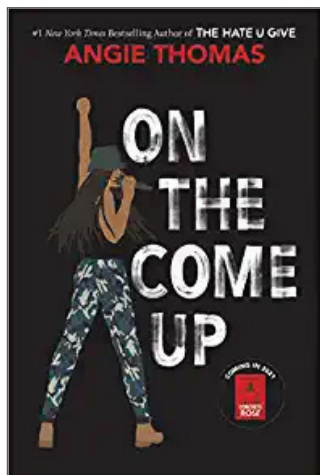
MIOSOTIS FLORES NEVER FORGETS – NOVEL

HILDA EUNICE BURGOS

TU BOOKS (2021)

Miosotis Flores is excited about three things: fostering rescue dogs, goofy horror movies, and her sister Amarilis' upcoming wedding. But her papi wants her to care about school most, so they strike a deal—if Miosotis improves her grades in two classes, she can adopt a dog this summer. But when she notices her sister behaving strangely and discovers her secret, she faces some difficult choices. What do you do if someone is in danger, but doesn't want your help? What ultimately matters most—what Miosotis wants, or what's right for the ones she loves?

Suitable for children.



ON THE COME UP – NOVEL

ANGIE THOMAS

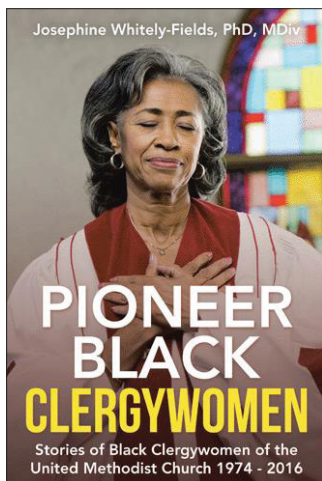
BALZER + BRAY (2019)

In this followup to *The Hate U Give*, Angie Thomas dives into the story of 16-year-old Bri, who wants to be one of the greatest rappers of all time—or at least win her first battle. As the daughter of an underground hip-hop legend who died right before he hit big, Bri's got massive shoes to fill. But it's hard to get your come up when you're labeled a hoodlum and your fridge is empty after your mom loses her job. Bri pours her anger and frustration into her first song, which goes viral for all the wrong reasons, and soon finds herself at the center of a controversy. But with an eviction notice looming, Bri doesn't just want to make it—she has to.

Suitable for youth.



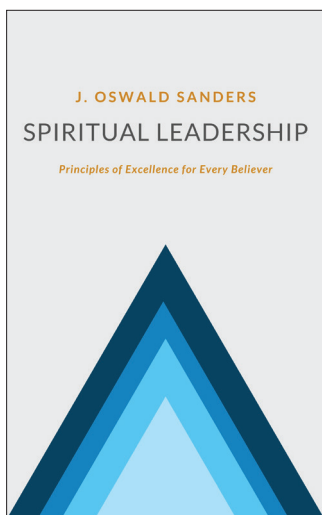
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



PIONEER BLACK CLERGYWOMEN: STORIES OF BLACK CLERGYWOMEN OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 1974-2016

REV. DR. JOSEPHINE WHITELY-FIELDS
WESTBOW PRESS (2021)

Authored by Dr. Josephine Whitely-Fields, who retired after 40 years of ministry and nonprofit leadership, this book features stories about Black clergywomen as pioneers of The United Methodist Church who overcame challenges and injustices in a predominately White male vocation to fulfill God's work in the world today. The book delves into the individual, institutional, and systemic acts of racism, sexism, and ageism they have endured while being subjected to economic discrimination. Among the many featured Black clergywomen are bishops Linda Lee, Tracy Malone, Sharma Lewis, and Cynthia Moore-Koikoi.



SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP

J. OSWALD SANDERS
MOODY PUBLISHERS (REISSUE 2017)

In this long-standing faith-based classic, J. Oswald Sanders, a Christian leader for nearly 70 years and author of more than 40 books, presents the key principles of leadership in both the temporal and spiritual realms. He illustrates his points with examples from Scripture and biographies of eminent men of God, such as Moses, Nehemiah, the apostle Paul, David Livingstone, Charles Spurgeon, and others. Featured topics include the costs, responsibility, tests, qualities, and requirements of leadership, as well as the art of developing effective leaders today. Sanders holds that even natural leadership qualities are God-given, and their true effectiveness can only be reached when they are employed in the glory of God.

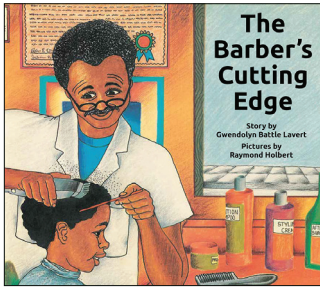


It cannot be that the people should grow in grace unless they give themselves to reading. A reading people will be a knowing people."

John Wesley



NURTURING FOR COMMUNITY

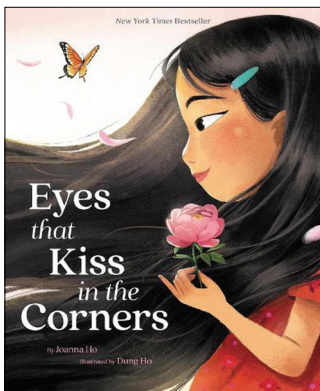


THE BARBER'S CUTTING EDGE

GWENDOLYN BATTLE-LAVERT AND ILLUSTRATED BY RAYMOND HOLBERT
CHILDREN'S BOOK PRESS (2004)

The Barber's Cutting Edge is a touching celebration of the close relationship between a young African American boy and his community mentor. Jam-packed with little boys, big boys, dads, and neighbors, Mr. Bigalow's barbershop is a familiar place to talk, play dominoes, read, and in Rashaad's case, get a little extra help with his schoolwork. For not only does Mr. Bigalow know all the latest styles, but he also knows all the words on Rashaad's vocabulary list. The text drawings capture the lively atmosphere and warm spirit of the barbershop.

Suitable for children.

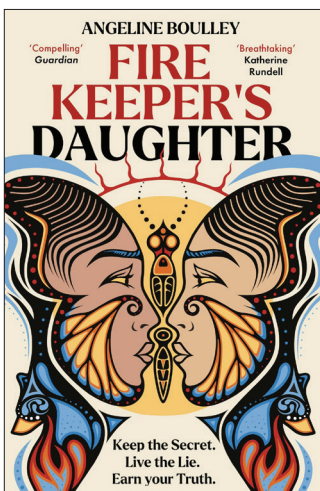


EYES THAT KISS IN THE CORNERS

JOANNA HO AND ILLUSTRATED BY DUNG HO
HARPERCOLLINS (2021)

A celebration of diversity, this lyrical, stunning picture book tells a story about learning to love and celebrate your Asian-shaped eyes. A young Asian girl notices her eyes look different from those of her peers and realizes her eyes are like her mother's, her grandmother's, and her little sister's eyes. They have eyes that kiss in the corners and glow like warm tea, crinkle into crescent moons, and are filled with stories of the past and hope for the future. Drawing from the strength of these powerful women in her life, she recognizes her own beauty and discovers a path to self-love and empowerment. This powerful, poetic picture book will resonate with readers of all ages.

Suitable for children.



FIREKEEPER'S DAUGHTER – NOVEL

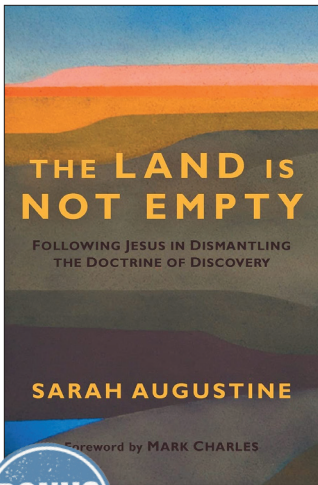
ANGELINE BOULLEY
HENRY HOLT AND CO. (2021)

Angeline Boulley's debut novel is a groundbreaking YA thriller about a Native teen who must root out the corruption in her community. When family tragedy strikes, 18-year-old Daunis Fontaine puts her future on hold to look after her mother. The only bright spot is meeting Jamie, the charming new recruit on her brother's hockey team. Yet even as Daunis falls for Jamie, she senses the dashing hockey star is hiding something. Everything comes to light when Daunis witnesses a shocking murder, thrusting her into an FBI investigation of a lethal new drug. Daunis agrees to go undercover, drawing on her knowledge of chemistry and Ojibwe traditional medicine to track down the source. But the search for truth is more complicated than Daunis imagined, exposing secrets and old scars.

Suitable for youth.



NURTURING FOR COMMUNITY



THE LAND IS NOT EMPTY: FOLLOWING JESUS IN DISMANTLING THE DOCTRINE OF DISCOVERY

SARAH AUGUSTINE

HERALD PRESS (2021)

In this prophetic book, author Sarah Augustine, a Pueblo woman, reframes the colonization of North America as she investigates ways that the Doctrine of Discovery continues to devastate Indigenous cultures, and even the planet itself, as it justifies exploitation of both natural resources and people. This is a powerful call to reckon with the root causes of a legacy that continues to have devastating effects on Indigenous Peoples around the globe and a call to recognize how all of our lives and our choices are interwoven.



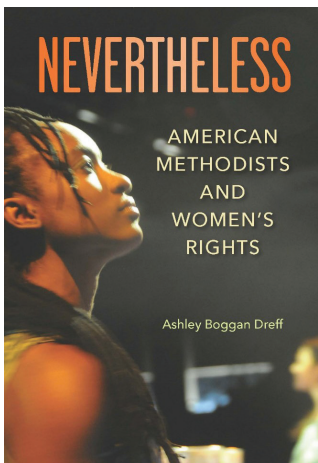
MAGIC LIKE THAT

SAMARA COLE DOYON AND ILLUSTRATED BY GENEVA BOWERS

LEE & LOW BOOKS (2022)

In this celebratory book, a young Black girl finds confidence and excitement in the versatility of her natural hair and the way her different hairstyles reflect the natural world. Natural hair is magical, but magic isn't easy. As the girl patiently waits for her mother to finish her newest hairstyle, she wonders what stunning, majestic, awe-inspiring form her hair will take next. With radiant illustrations by Geneva Bowers and beautiful, poetic text by Samara Cole Doyon, *Magic Like That* will inspire young readers of all textures to believe in the beauty of their natural selves.

Suitable for children.



NEVERTHELESS:

AMERICAN METHODISTS AND WOMEN'S RIGHTS

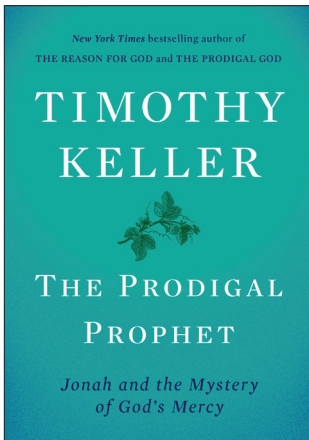
ASHLEY BOGGAN DREFF

WESLEY'S FOUNDRY BOOKS (2020)

This book tells the story of American Methodist women's efforts to fight for women's rights, beginning with the Women's Christian Temperance Union and ending with the #MeToo movement. Each chapter documents particular Methodist women and provides the reader with a basic historic context of the time or situation as it shows how Methodist women engaged and fought for women's equality and women's rights in American society and American Methodism. These Methodist women addressed the causes of oppression, and by stepping out of "their place," they made a place for others.



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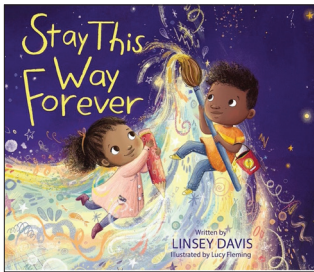


THE PRODIGAL PROPHET: JONAH AND THE MYSTERY OF GOD'S MERCY

TIMOTHY KELLER
VIKING (2018)

The story of Jonah is one of the most well-known but most misunderstood parables in the Bible.

In *The Prodigal Prophet*, pastor and *New York Times* bestselling author Timothy Keller reveals the hidden depths within the book of Jonah. Keller makes the case that Jonah was one of the worst prophets in the entire Bible. And yet there are unmistakably clear connections between Jonah, the prodigal son, and Jesus. Keller provides an answer to the extraordinary conclusion of this biblical parable—and shares the powerful Christian message at the heart of Jonah's story.

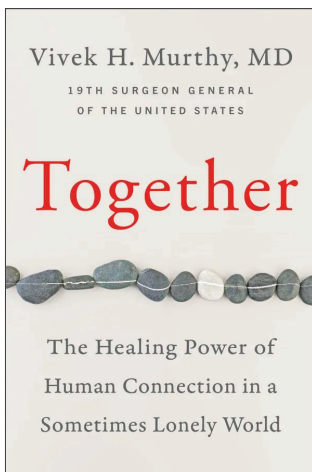


STAY THIS WAY FOREVER

LINSEY DAVIS AND ILLUSTRATED BY LUCY FLEMING
ZONDERKIDZ (2021)

Celebrate the joy, wonder, and innocence of being a child with this love letter to the loved ones in your life, encouraging and affirming their own special qualities now and always. It is the third picture book authored by Emmy Award-winning ABC News correspondent and bestselling author Linsey Davis, beautifully and authentically celebrating diversity in its characters with whimsical, joy-filled illustrations from bestselling artist Lucy Fleming.

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TOGETHER: THE HEALING POWER OF HUMAN CONNECTION IN A SOMETIMES LONELY WORLD

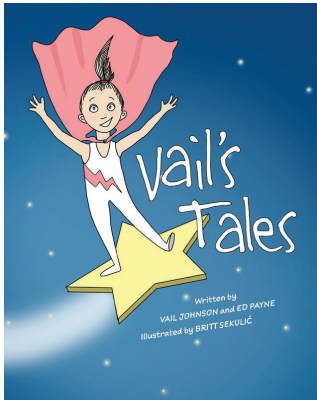
VIVEK H. MURTHY
HARPER WAVE (2020)

In this groundbreaking book, the 19th surgeon general of the United States Dr. Vivek Murthy makes a case for loneliness as a public health concern: a root cause and contributor to many of the epidemics sweeping the world today—from alcohol and drug addiction to violence to depression and anxiety. Loneliness, he argues, is affecting not only our health, but also how our children experience school, how we perform in the workplace, and the sense of division and polarization in our society. His message underscores the importance of human connection, the hidden impact of loneliness on our health, and the social power of community.

Also available in Spanish.



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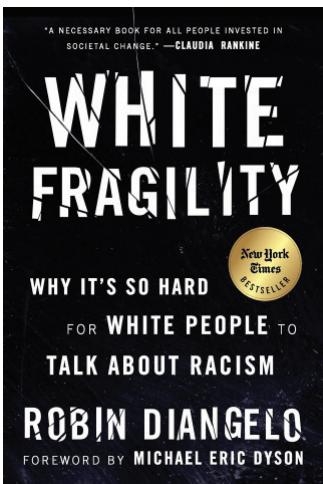


VAIL'S TALES

VAIL JOHNSON AND ED PAYNE AND ILLUSTRATED BY BRITT SEKULIC
PROVERBIAL GIRL PUBLISHING (2019)

Vail Johnson, a 9-year-old writer, died suddenly in her sleep before she could turn 10, but she left pages of profound insight for someone so young. These four stories by Vail, teamed with storytelling skills of veteran journalist and children's author Ed Payne, are memorable tales that will leave her imprint on your heart.

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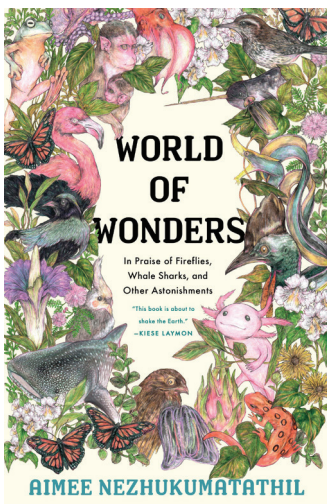


WHITE FRAGILITY: WHY IT'S SO HARD FOR WHITE PEOPLE TO TALK ABOUT RACISM

ROBIN DIANGELO
BEACON PRESS (2018)

This *New York Times* bestselling book by antiracist educator Robin DiAngelo explores the counterproductive reactions White people have when their assumptions about race are challenged, and how these reactions maintain racial inequality. Referring to the defensive moves White people make when challenged racially, White fragility is characterized by emotions such as anger, fear, and guilt, and by behaviors including argumentativeness and silence. DiAngelo examines how White fragility develops, how it protects racial inequality, and what we can do to engage more constructively.

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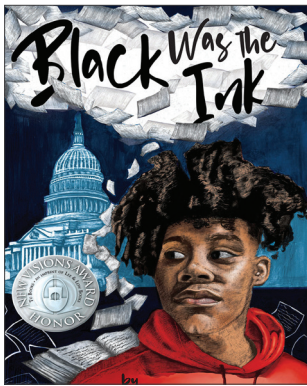


WORLD OF WONDERS: IN PRAISE OF FIREFLIES, WHALE SHARKS, AND OTHER ASTONISHMENTS

AIMEE NEZHUKUMATATHIL
MILKWEED EDITIONS (2020)

From award-winning poet Aimee Nezhukumatathil comes a debut work of nonfiction—a collection of essays about the natural world and the way its inhabitants can teach, support, and inspire us. As a child, Nezhukumatathil called many places home. But no matter where she was transplanted—no matter how awkward the fit or forbidding the landscape—she was able to turn to our world's fierce and funny creatures for guidance. The axolotl teaches us to smile, even in the face of unkindness; the touch-me-not plant shows us how to shake off unwanted advances; the narwhal demonstrates how to survive in hostile environments. Even in the strange and the unlovely, Nezhukumatathil finds beauty and kinship.

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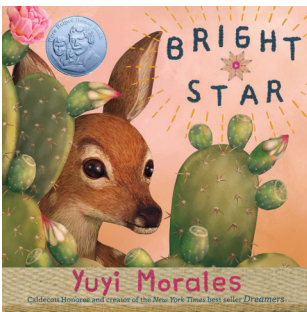


BLACK WAS THE INK – NOVEL

MICHELLE COLES WITH ILLUSTRATIONS BY JUSTIN JOHNSON
TU BOOKS (2021)

After escalating violence in his D.C. neighborhood, 16-year-old Malcolm is shipped off by his mother to his father’s family farm in Mississippi. Malcolm is anything but pleased. Then he encounters the ghost of his ancestor, Cedric Johnson, and journeys to 1866. As Cedric, Malcolm meets the real-life Black statesmen who fought for change during the Reconstruction era and made American history. But even after witnessing their bravery, Malcolm’s faith in his own future remains shaky, particularly since he knows the gains these statesmen made were almost immediately stripped away. Malcolm must decide which path to take. Can Cedric’s experiences help him construct a better future? Or will Malcolm resign himself to resentments and defeat?

Suitable for youth.

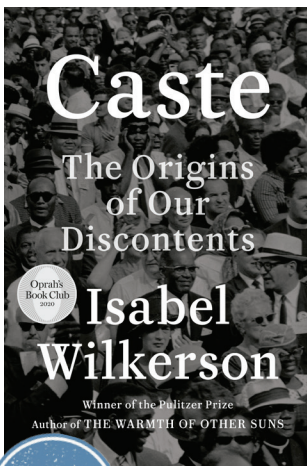


BRIGHT STAR(LUCERO)

YUYI MORALES [SPANISH AND ENGLISH]
NEAL PORTER BOOKS (2021)

With a combination of powerful, spare language and sumptuous, complex imagery, *New York Times* bestselling author Yuyi Morales weaves the tale of a fawn making her way through the Sonoran Desert, a landscape that is dangerous, beautiful—and full of potential. A gentle voice urges her onward, to face her fears and challenge the obstacles that seek to hold her back. With a voice full of calm, contemplative wisdom, readers are invited to listen and observe, to accept themselves, and to dare to shout.

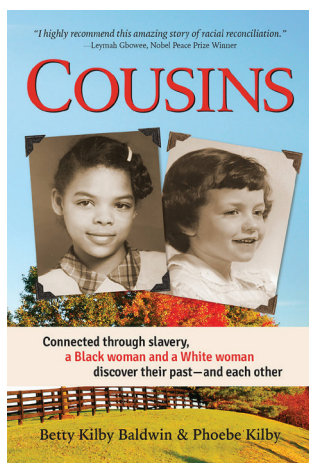
Suitable for children.



CASTE: THE ORIGINS OF OUR DISCONTENTS

ISABEL WILKERSON [ALSO AVAILABLE IN SPANISH]
RANDOM HOUSE (2020)

In this brilliant book, Isabel Wilkerson gives us a masterful portrait of an unseen phenomenon in America as she explores, through an immersive, deeply researched narrative and stories about real people, how America today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system. Linking the caste systems of America, India, and Nazi Germany, Wilkerson explores eight pillars that underlie caste systems across civilizations, including divine will, bloodlines, stigma, and more. Using riveting stories about people—including Martin Luther King Jr.—she shows the ways the insidious undertow of caste is experienced every day, ultimately pointing to ways America can move beyond the artificial and destructive separations of human divisions toward hope.

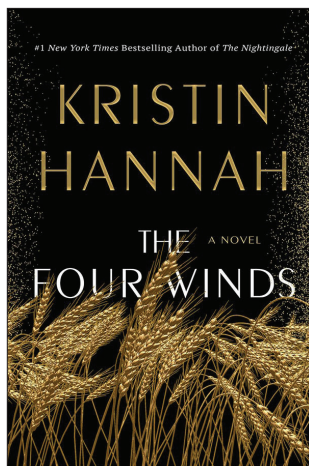


COUSINS: CONNECTED THROUGH SLAVERY, A BLACK WOMAN AND A WHITE WOMAN DISCOVER THEIR PAST – AND EACH OTHER

BETTY KILBY BALDWIN AND PHOEBE KILBY

WALNUT STREET BOOKS (2021)

What happens when a White woman, Phoebe, contacts a Black woman, Betty, saying she suspects they are connected through slavery? Revealed to be cousins, they commit to a path of reconciliation. In alternating chapters, each tells her dramatic story, from Betty's experience as one of the first Black children to attend her desegregated school to Phoebe's eventual question to Betty: "How do I begin to repair the harms?" Piercingly honest, the book includes a working reparations project that the women conceived together.



THE FOUR WINDS – NOVEL

KRISTIN HANNAH

ST. MARTIN'S PRESS (2021)

Bestselling author Kristin Hannah delivers a powerful epic about love, heroism and hope during the Great Depression, when millions were out of work and even the land seemed to have turned against them. Centered on Elsa Wolcott, married to a Great Plains farmer whose land is ravaged by dust storms and drought, each day has become a desperate battle against nature and a fight to keep her children alive. Elsa must make an agonizing choice: fight for the land she loves or leave it behind and go west in search of a better life for her family. *The Four Winds* is a rich, sweeping novel that stunningly brings to life the Great Depression and the people who lived through it—the harsh realities that divided us as a nation and the enduring battle between the haves and have-nots.



THE GREEN NEW DEAL

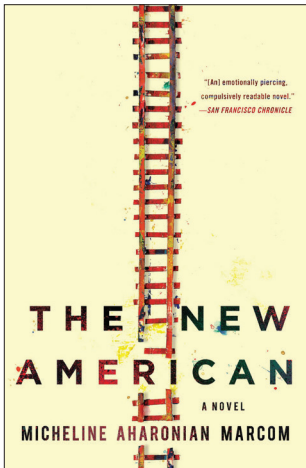
JEREMY RIFKIN

ST. MARTIN'S PRESS (2019)

With 25 years of experience at the forefront of enacting green transitions for both the European Union and the People's Republic of China, *New York Times* bestselling author and renowned economic and social theorist Jeremy Rifkin offers his indispensable wisdom in a blueprint for how to transform the global economy and save life on earth. This book offers an urgent, workable plan to confront climate change and transform America's economy for a post-fossil fuel world.



SOCIAL ACTION

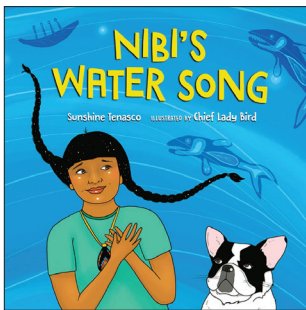


THE NEW AMERICAN: A NOVEL

MICHELINE AHARONIAN MARCOM

SIMON & SCHUSTER (2020)

Inspired in part by interviews with Central American refugees, and told in lyrical prose, Micheline Aharonian Marcom weaves a heart-pounding and heartbreaking tale of one young man who risks so much to go home. One day, Emilio learns a shocking secret: he is undocumented. His parents, who emigrated from Guatemala to California, had never told him. When the young Guatemalan American college student gets into a car accident he is soon deported to Guatemala. Determined to get back to California, the only home he has ever known, Emilio makes an epic journey across thousands of miles and eventually the Sonoran Desert and the U.S.-Mexico border, meeting thieves and corrupt law enforcement but also kind strangers and new friends.



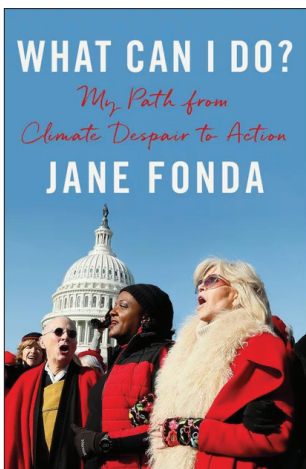
NIBI'S WATER SONG

SUNSHINETENASCO AND ILLUSTRATED BY CHIEF LADY BIRD

LEE & LOW BOOKS (2021)

This bright and vivacious book from two Indigenous creators celebrates the energy, moxie, and determination of water activists of all ages. When Nibi, an Indigenous girl, turns the tap in her house, only mucky brown water comes out. That starts her on a search for clean water to drink. Though she must face polluted rivers, unfriendly neighbors, and discouragement, Nibi's joyful energy becomes a catalyst for change and action as her community rallies around her to make clean drinking water available for all.

Suitable for children.



WHAT CAN I DO?:

MY PATH FROM CLIMATE DESPAIR TO ACTION

JANE FONDA

PENGUIN BOOKS (2021)

In 2019, daunted by the looming disaster of climate change and inspired by Greta Thunberg, Naomi Klein, and student climate strikers, activist Jane Fonda asked herself one question: What can I do? She moved to Washington, D.C., and teamed up with Greenpeace, leading climate scientists, and community organizers not only to understand what's at stake, but to equip all of us with the education and tools we need to join her in protest. *What Can I Do?* isn't a wish list but a to-do list, urging us to wake up and take action.



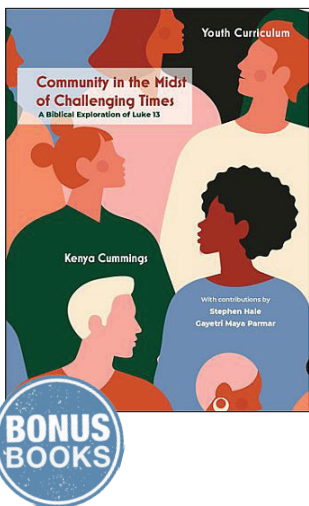
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THE BIG DEAL OF TAKING SMALL STEPS TO MOVE CLOSER TO GOD

BISHOP VASHTI MURPHY MCKENZIE
FAITHWORDS (2017)

This book by Bishop Vashti Murphy McKenzie, a bishop in the African Methodist Episcopal Church, uncovers how to develop a stronger relationship with God and more effective spiritual lifestyle by taking small steps that lead to big changes. McKenzie prescribes small changes that lead to radical closeness to God, and the “big deal” result is a greater ability to biblically address life challenges.

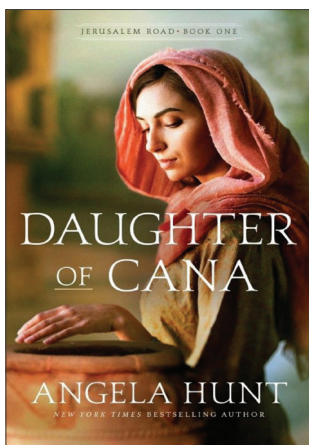


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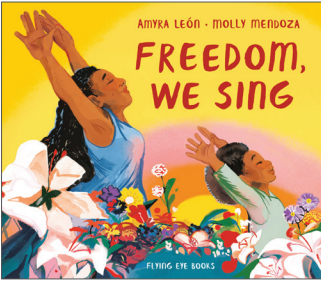
DAUGHTER OF CANA (JERUSALEM ROAD, BOOK 1)

ANGELA HUNT
BETHANY HOUSE PUBLISHERS (2020)

Thomas and Tasmin, twin siblings hired to oversee a wedding feast in Cana, worry when the host runs out of wine—until a guest tells Tasmin to have the servants fill the pitchers by the gate with water from the cistern. Reluctantly, she obeys and is amazed when rainwater turns into the finest wine ever tasted in Cana. When Thomas impulsively decides to follow the teacher from Nazareth, he and Tasmin argue. Tasmin can’t accept losing her brother to some magician-prophet. She decides to follow the Nazarene’s group, do whatever she must to mend the fractured relationship with her brother, and bring him home.



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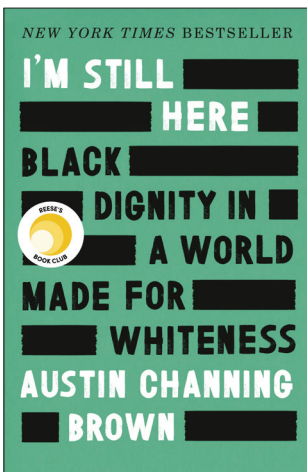


FREEDOM, WE SING

AMYRA LEÓN AND ILLUSTRATED BY MOLLY MENDOZA
FLYING EYE BOOKS (2020)

As powerful as it is beautiful, *Freedom, We Sing* is a lyrical picture book designed to inspire and give hope to readers around the world. Molly Mendoza's immersive, lush illustrations invite kids to ponder singer-songwriter Amyra León's poem about what it means to be free.

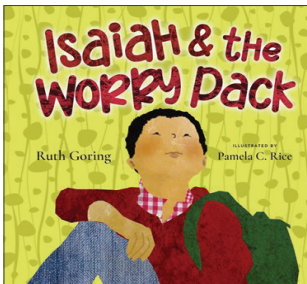
Suitable for children.



I'M STILL HERE: BLACK DIGNITY IN A WORLD MADE FOR WHITENESS

AUSTIN CHANNING BROWN
CONVERGENT BOOKS (2018)

Austin Channing Brown's first encounter with a racialized America came at age seven, when she discovered her parents named her Austin to deceive future employers into thinking she was a White man. Growing up in majority-White schools and churches, Austin writes, "I had to learn what it means to love blackness," a journey that led to a lifetime spent navigating America's racial divide as a writer, speaker, and expert helping organizations practice genuine inclusion. She writes in incisive detail about her journey to self-worth and the pitfalls that kill our attempts at racial justice. Her stories bear witness to the complexity of America's social fabric—from Black neighborhoods to private schools in the middle-class suburbs, from prison walls to boardrooms at majority-White organizations.



ISAIAH & THE WORRY PACK: LEARNING TO TRUST GOD WITH ALL OUR FEARS

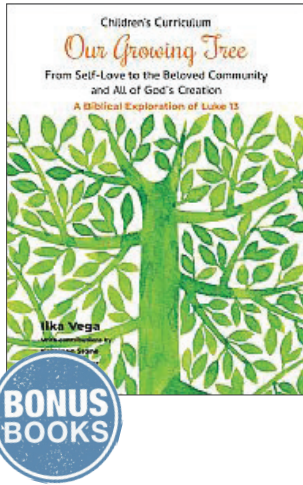
RUTH GORING AND ILLUSTRATED BY PAMELA C. RICE
IVP KIDS (2021)

It's bedtime again, but Isaiah can't sleep. It seems he's got too many things on his mind—things he's worried about. So Mom helps Isaiah imagine what it would be like if each of his worries were a block that he could stash in his backpack. As Isaiah imagines hiking through the woods carrying his worry pack, he discovers the joy and relief of trusting Jesus with everything, especially those worries. This tender story written by poet, visual artist, and children's author Ruth Goring is paired with Pamela C. Rice's warm illustrations.

Suitable for children.



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Suitable for children.



UNTIL UNITY

REV. FRANCIS CHAN

DAVID C COOK (2021)

If unity is so important to the heart of God, why is the church one of the most divided groups on earth? *New York Times* bestselling author Francis Chan calls for believers and churches everywhere to align hearts with God and start taking seriously God's numerous commands to unify. While many believe doctrine is at the root of the problem, Chan argues that the real problem is the shallowness or non-existence of our love for each other—rooted in a shallowness in our understanding of the gospel. This is what desperately needs to change.



WHAT IS GOD LIKE?

RACHEL HELD EVANS AND MATTHEW PAUL TURNER, ILLUSTRATED BY YING HUI TAN

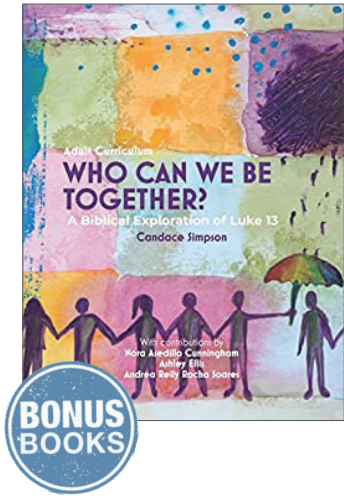
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This picture book by the late Rachel Held Evans and her friend, Matthew Paul Turner, answers what is for many children their first question about God: What is God like? Through pictures from the Bible, children see God is like a shepherd, like a star, like a gardener, like the wind, and more. God is a comforter and support. And whenever a child is unsure, *What Is God Like?* encourages young hearts to "think about what makes you feel safe, what makes you feel loved, and what makes you feel brave. That's what God is like."

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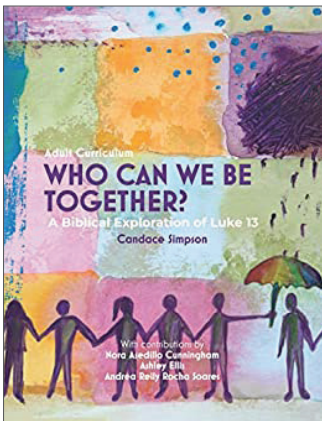
Carol, Reading Program member

BONUS BOOKS



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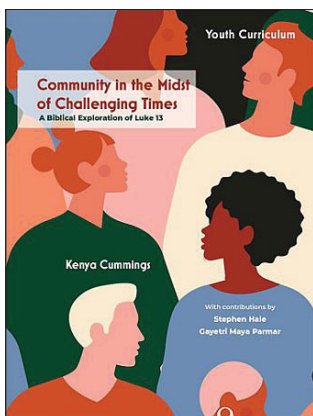
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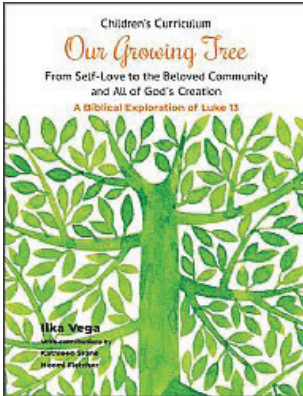
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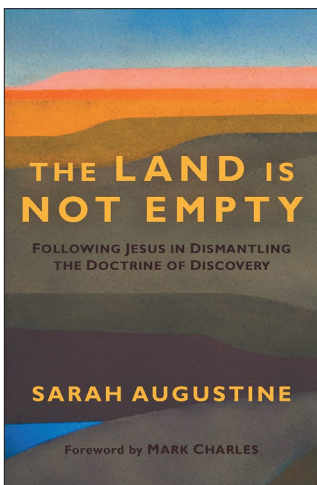
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THE LAND IS NOT EMPTY: FOLLOWING JESUS IN DISMANTLING THE DOCTRINE OF DISCOVERY

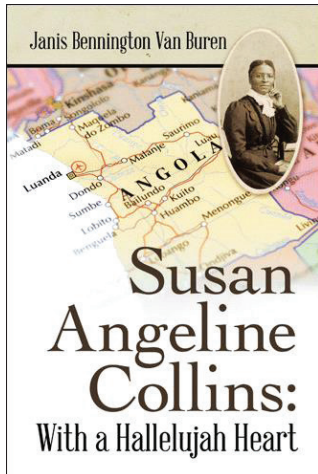
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EDUCATION FOR MISSION



SUSAN ANGELINE COLLINS: WITH A HALLELUJAH HEART

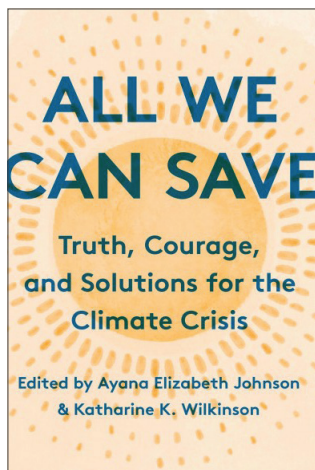
JANIS BENNINGTON VAN BUREN

WESTBOW PRESS (2021)

Years before Mary Jane McLeod Bethune started her school for girls in Florida, one Midwestern woman was steadily doing her part for girls in the northern Angolan high plateau. For more than three decades, African American missionary Susan Angeline Collins made a tremendous difference in the lives of countless African women and children, some orphaned and homeless and others escaping early marriage and subservience. Authored by retired professor Janis Bennington Van Buren, this book explores the remarkable service-oriented life of Collins from her 1851 birth in Illinois until her 1940 death in Iowa. Collins overcame economic, education, gender, race, religious, and other obstacles surrounding Africa's colonization to serve as a stalwart missionary, leader, teacher, nurse, construction manager, and surrogate mother to "her girls."



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



ALL WE CAN SAVE: TRUTH, COURAGE, AND SOLUTIONS FOR THE CLIMATE CRISIS

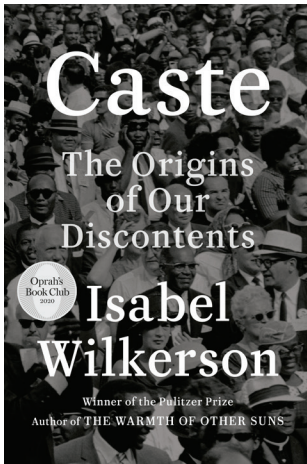
AYANA ELIZABETH JOHNSON AND KATHERINE K. WILKINSON

ONE WORLD (2022)

Named one of the best books of the year by *Smithsonian* magazine, *All We Can Save* illuminates the expertise and insights of dozens of diverse women leading on climate in the United States—scientists, journalists, farmers, lawyers, teachers, activists, innovators, wonks, and designers, across generations, geographies, and race—and aims to advance a more representative, nuanced, and solution-oriented public conversation on the climate crisis. These women offer a spectrum of ideas and insights for how we can rapidly, radically reshape society. Intermixing essays with poetry and art, this book is both a balm and a guide for knowing and holding what has been done to the world, while bolstering our resolve never to give up on one another or our collective future.



SOCIAL ACTION



CASTE: THE ORIGINS OF OUR DISCONTENTS

ISABEL WILKERSON [ALSO AVAILABLE IN SPANISH]

RANDOM HOUSE (2020)

In this brilliant book, Isabel Wilkerson gives us a masterful portrait of an unseen phenomenon in America as she explores, through an immersive, deeply researched narrative and stories about real people, how America today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system. Linking the caste systems of America, India, and Nazi Germany, Wilkerson explores eight pillars that underlie caste systems across civilizations, including divine will, bloodlines, stigma, and more. Using riveting stories about people—including Martin Luther King Jr.—she shows the ways the insidious undertow of caste is experienced every day, ultimately pointing to ways America can move beyond the artificial and destructive separations of human divisions toward hope.



... for wisdom is better than jewels, and all that you may desire cannot compare with her."

Proverbs 8:1–21

"The Gifts of Wisdom"

Scriptural basis for the Reading Program

REPORT OF COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

(Send completed form to your Secretary of Program Resources or equivalent according to your conference's schedules.)

NAME:

PLAN CHOSEN:

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CURRENT YEAR:

MISSION EMPHASES

Education for Mission

Leadership Development

Nurturing for Community

Social Action

Spiritual Growth

I have completed the required reading for PLAN _____. The books I have read are listed on this form.

LOCAL UNIT

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CONFERENCE

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ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

☐ I have also read **response** regularly.

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CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

This certifies that

has completed plan ____ of
the Reading Program of United Women in Faith
and is hereby awarded this certificate by

Presented on the ____ day of _____, 20____



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Program Resources Coordination/Management

President

Queridas lectoras,

Cuando era pequeña, el permiso para ir sola a algún lugar señalaba un hito enorme y muy ansiado. Significaba independencia. Significaba libertad. Significaba la oportunidad para explorar el mundo. ¿Cuál fue el primer lugar al que se me permitió ir sola? La biblioteca pública. Un edificio gris de piedra en la esquina de una intersección tranquila, la biblioteca resultó ser en sí misma un lugar mágico: suficientemente seguro para una niña sola, que a la vez contenía la promesa de una posibilidad prácticamente infinita. Los enormes estantes de literatura de ficción sostenían el peso de un desfile interminable de personajes complejos y vívidos al interior de historias emocionantes. Las múltiples estanterías de no ficción se recorrían mejor gracias a un conjunto intrigante de pequeñas tarjetas de cartón ubicadas en largas cajas de madera. Números de catálogo escritos cuidadosamente a lápiz me guiaban a libros que ayudaban a responder las muchas preguntas que me surgían acerca del mundo y de mí misma. Por otra parte, un lomo de tapadura extraído aquí y allá al azar me invitaba a superar los límites de las preguntas que pensaba hacer, introduciéndome a nueva información e ideas que me mostraban lo amplio y maravilloso que es el mundo en realidad. Al interior de las puertas de la biblioteca, la naturaleza tímida de mi niñez de entonces encontraba un vasto mundo para deambular segura a su antojo.

Treinta años después, he agregado otros medios de exploración a mi repertorio, y ahora llevo a mi propio hijito a la biblioteca pública cada vez que puedo, porque el mundo de los libros todavía me cautiva. He conocido la sensación maravillosa de un escritor que expresa algo que siempre he sentido en alguna parte de mi espíritu, pero jamás he podido nombrar antes de verlo escrito en una página. He encontrado también la invitación a un profundo compromiso con perspectivas y experiencias muy diferentes a la propia, lo cual ha desafiado mis suposiciones acerca de otras personas y me ha dado no solamente nueva información sino también una nueva visión. Ambas experiencias de lectura pueden ser un gran regalo, vitalmente necesario en tiempos como los que corren. Este es el poder del Programa de Lectura.

A medida que se involucre en la lista de lectura de este año, la invito a abrir su mente y su corazón a experiencias tanto de profunda relevancia como de honda diferencia. Conozca a nuestras autoras y autores. Haga una pausa y pregúntese, y asimile perspectivas y experiencias por fuera de su lista de referencia. Deténgase y escriba sobre lo que le llega al corazón. Lea los libros que parecen más de su agrado, y a lo mejor uno o dos que están fuera de su zona de confort. ¿Lee regularmente no ficción para adultos? Agregue una novela de ficción para jóvenes y adultos a su lista, y observe el resultado. ¿Le interesa mucho la acción social? Pruebe algo de crecimiento espiritual también. Si quiere profundizar, lea ese libro junto con un integrante de la familia, una amiga, o una colega. A lo mejor crea un grupo formal de lectura o algo más informal, lo que mejor se adapte a usted. Considere opciones intergeneracionales. A las niñas, a los niños y a los jóvenes les gustan los interrogantes que genera la lectura, y el Programa de Lectura se enorgullece de presentar una selección de libros para todas las edades. Por favor, considere la posibilidad de compartir algunas de las selecciones de libros con niñas, niños y jóvenes de su entorno, y luego genere una conversación acerca de lo que han leído. Adultos, jóvenes, niñas y niños pueden beneficiarse de la experiencia.

Para finalizar, cuando inicie el recorrido del Programa de Lectura, sabrá que estamos orando por usted. Que este Programa de Lectura alimente su alma, fortalezca su entendimiento, y la prepare para la obra que el Espíritu ha puesto en su corazón.

Paz y bendiciones



Emily Jones

Directora Ejecutiva de Justicia Racial



DESCRIPCIÓN GENERAL

El Programa de Lectura es una tradición de Mujeres Unidas en la Fe muy apreciada, que une a la membresía en misión mientras exploran, comparten y discuten los libros.

Para participar, seleccione uno de los cuatro planes en la página 32 y ¡comience a leer! Desde novelas cautivantes y biografías sinceras a mensajes urgentes sobre temas como el cambio climático y el encarcelamiento masivo; hay algo para todas.

Los libros del Programa de Lectura se dividen en cinco categorías (los libros de crédito adicional cuentan por dos categorías cada uno): **Acción Social, Crecimiento Comunitario, Crecimiento Espiritual, Desarrollo de Liderazgo y Educación para la Misión**. Los libros están disponibles para personas de todas las edades y niveles de lectura. Libros que se adaptan para la niñez y la juventud estarán incluidos en las diferentes categorías con la indicación “Apto para la niñez” o “Apto para la juventud”, al final de las descripciones de los libros.

Mientras lee, siga su progreso usando el Formulario de Información del Programa de Lectura en la página 37. Cuando concluye su plan, se le otorgará un Certificado de Reconocimiento, disponible en la página 38. Obtener su Certificado de Reconocimiento es sólo una forma de mostrar lo que ha crecido con el Programa de Lectura. El Programa de Lectura no tiene solamente el propósito de completarse individualmente, a pesar del distanciamiento social. Mientras lee, considere realizar una o más de las siguientes acciones:

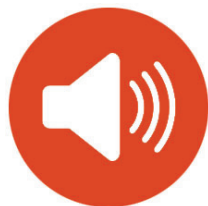
Entrar en Acción

- **Promocione el Programa de Lectura.** Compártalo con la membresía de Mujeres Unidas en la Fe y con la membresía de la comunidad por medio de listservs, en el tablero de mensajes en línea o en las redes sociales.
- **Conéctese con Grupos Locales y Distritales.** Comience un club de lectura virtual en Zoom, Google Hangout o cualquier otro tipo de videoconferencias. Descargue libros en un equipo electrónico y escriba una reseña del libro en reuniones de grupo virtual; comparta una planilla de seguimiento electrónica que indique el progreso (por medio de Google Docs, por ejemplo) y publique información en los grupos virtuales.
- **Ore.** Los libros a menudo plantean preocupaciones sobre personas, países y problemas. Presente estas preocupaciones a Dios durante su tiempo de oración.
- **Abogue por un cambio tangible.** Muchos de los libros del Programa de Lectura abordan temas sociales importantes tales como el racismo.
- Si usted no está en condiciones de participar en protestas u otras actividades personalmente, organice un grupo de trabajo remoto para hablar sobre maneras de impactar su comunidad en forma virtual.

PARA SU INFORMACIÓN



Dónde obtener libros: La alentamos a buscar libros en la biblioteca pública, en su librería comercial preferida o plataforma de Internet. Mujeres Unidas en la Fe no tiene en existencia ni vende directamente la mayoría de los libros.



Acceso por audio: Siempre será bienvenida a usar audiolibros, si le resulta una forma más fácil y accesible para leer el material.

CERTIFICADO DE RECONOCIMIENTO

Se certifica que _____

ha completado el plan _____ del Programa de Lectura de Mujeres Unidas en la Fe y por la presente se le otorga este certificado por

Presentado el día _____ del año 20__

Mujeres Unidas en la Fe

Reporte y reconocimiento: El reconocimiento de la participación en el Programa de Lectura se entrega en el nivel de distrito y/o conferencia de Mujeres Unidas en la Fe. Por favor acérquese a su equipo de liderazgo de distrito y/o conferencia para obtener detalles relevantes acerca de dónde y cómo entregar su formulario de reporte para poder recibir el reconocimiento por completar uno de los planes de lectura.

INFORME DE REQUERIMIENTOS CUMPLIDOS

Guarde el formulario cumplido en la biblioteca de la biblioteca pública o en la biblioteca de la iglesia.

Nombre: _____

Unidad Local: _____

Distrito: _____

Conferencia: _____

Nombre en Letra de Imprenta: _____

Dirección: _____

Ciudad, Estado, Código Postal: _____

Unidad Local: _____

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Años elegibles: Para 2023, los libros de las listas del Programa de Lectura de 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021-2022 y 2023 son todos elegibles para la acreditación del reporte del Programa de Lectura, si no los ha leído previamente.

Libros adicionales: Bonus Books estarán indicados con un símbolo a la izquierda.

Consulte la sección Bonus Books en inglés que comienza en la página 22. Los Bonus Books en español se indican en las secciones siguientes.

Nota: Para los libros adicionales de crecimiento espiritual, debe participar en o dirigir uno de los estudios para recibir la acreditación del Programa de Lectura. Puede participar o dirigir el estudio en ocho partes de Misión u, ya sea en el contexto de Misión u de distrito/conferencia o en su contexto local (iglesia, unidad, u otro) para recibir la acreditación por el libro extra. Si lee el estudio pero no participa de o lidera un grupo, cuenta como una sola acreditación.





Charlas sobre la fe: También puede recibir acreditación del Programa de Lectura por escuchar los pódcast de Faith Talks. Escuchar por lo menos dos episodios de Faith Talks cuenta como equivalente a un libro en la categoría Crecimiento Comunitario.



Películas: También están disponibles varias películas para acreditar el programa, incluyendo:

Hidden Figures [Talentos ocultos], *Pushout* [Expulsados], *The Hate U Give* [El odio que das].

Para determinar la categoría para la acreditación, identifique la categoría del libro original y solicite la acreditación para la película de la misma categoría.



Recomendaciones de libros: Si desea sugerir que un libro sea considerado para un futuro catálogo de Programa de Lectura, lo puede hacer utilizando la página del Programa de Lectura de Mujeres Unidas en la Fe: uwfaith.org



Conectando la virtualidad: La invitamos a unirse a nosotras en un grupo de charla virtual sobre los libros que amamos. Puede participar aquí: <https://bit.ly/reading-enthusiasts-MN>

PROGRAMA DE LECTURA

PLANES



Todos los libros de las listas en Programa de Lectura de los años 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021-2022 y 2023 pueden ser elegidos para obtener créditos en 2023, salvo que los haya leído con anterioridad.

PLAN I

- 5 libros por año.
- 1 libro en cada categoría.
- Selecciones pueden ser de la lista de lectura actual que no se hayan incluido en informes anteriores.
- Lectura habitual de la revista **response**.

PLAN II

- 10 libros por año.
- 2 libros de cada categoría.
- Selecciones pueden ser de la lista de lectura actual que no se hayan incluido en informes anteriores.
- Lectura habitual de la revista **response**.

PLAN III

- 15 libros por año.
- 2 libros de cada categoría.
- Más 5 libros adicionales de cualquier categoría.
- Selecciones pueden ser de la lista de lectura actual que no se hayan incluido en informes anteriores.
- Lectura habitual de la revista **response**.

PLAN IV

- 20 libros por año.
- 2 libros de cada categoría.
- Más 10 libros adicionales de cualquier categoría.
- Selecciones pueden ser de la lista de lectura actual que no se hayan incluido en informes anteriores.
- Lectura habitual de la revista **response**.

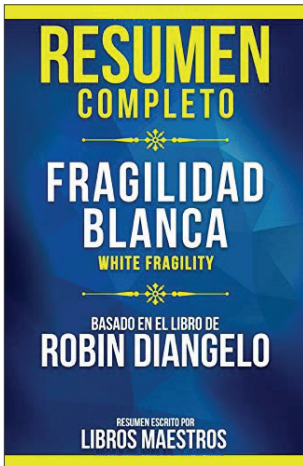
Los libros se pueden comprar directamente del distribuidor de su elección o se pueden pedir prestado en su biblioteca local.

Para libros en listas previas vaya a:
uwfaith.org/resources/2022-reading-program/

LIBROS EN ESPAÑOL



CRECIMIENTO COMUNITARIO



FRAGILIDAD BLANCA/RESUMEN COMPLETO

LIBROS MAESTROS

CHILDREN'S BOOK PRESS-- LEE & LOW BOOKS, INC. (2018)

Fragilidad blanca: Por qué es tan difícil para los blancos hablar de racismo es un libro de 2018 que profundiza en las relaciones raciales de Estados Unidos de América. Este libro está dirigido principalmente a las personas blancas. La autora, Robin DiAngelo, describe la fragilidad blanca como la forma en que los blancos se ponen a la defensiva cuando se les dice que se benefician del racismo. El libro ofrece ejemplos de por qué existe la fragilidad blanca. Además, Robin DiAngelo explica el impacto negativo de la fragilidad blanca y cómo podemos desafiarla. El libro concluye que la mejor manera de abordar el racismo es desafiar a los blancos de forma proactiva.



JUNTOS: EL PODER DE LA CONEXIÓN HUMANA

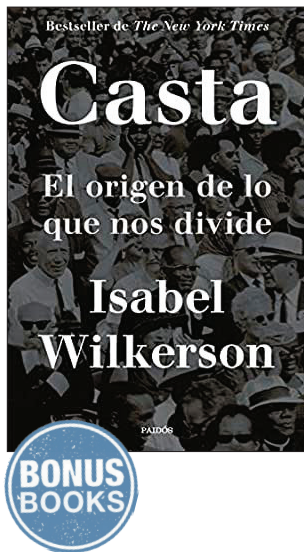
VIVEK H. MURTHY

ABINGDON PRESS (2018)

Aunque el mundo parece más conectado que nunca, la soledad se extiende como una epidemia. Vivek Murthy sostiene que la soledad constituye un problema de salud pública: es el origen y agente colaborador de muchas de las epidemias en el mundo actual, desde el alcoholismo y la drogadicción hasta la violencia, la depresión y la ansiedad. La soledad afecta la salud, el rendimiento en el trabajo, y contribuye al sentimiento de polarización en la sociedad.

Este libro es una potente llamada de atención y aporta estrategias que pueden ayudarnos a conectar porque, sencillamente, estamos mejor si estamos juntos.

Vivek H. Murthy fue cirujano general en la administración Obama y ha sido propuesto nuevamente por el presidente Joe Biden. Murthy ayudó a liderar la respuesta nacional ante los desafíos del virus del ébola y del zika, entre otros.



CASTA: EL ORIGEN DE LO QUE NOS DIVIDE

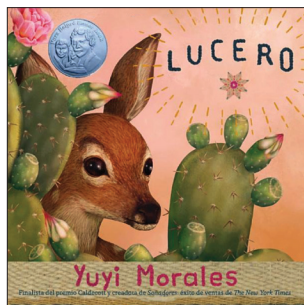
ISABEL WILKERSON

ÉXITO DE VENTAS DE *THE NEW YORK TIMES*

«La jerarquía de castas no trata de sentimientos o de moralidad, trata de poder: de qué grupos lo tienen y cuáles no».

Isabel Wilkerson, ganadora del premio Pulitzer, ofrece en *Casta* un retrato asombroso de este fenómeno oculto. Asociando los sistemas de casta de Estados Unidos de América, India y la Alemania nazi, Wilkerson revela el modo en que estos han moldeado nuestro mundo, y cómo sus jerarquías rígidas y arbitrarias todavía nos dividen.

La autora demuestra de qué manera nuestra era de intensificación de conflictos y agitación ha surgido como consecuencia de las castas. Finalmente, señala maneras en que podemos, y debemos, superar divisiones artificiales y avanzar hacia nuestra humanidad común.



LUCERO

YUYI MORALES

ÉXITO DE VENTAS DE *THE NEW YORK TIMES*

De la creadora de *Soñadores*, éxito de ventas de *The New York Times*, además de numerosos premios, nos llega ahora esta conmovedora historia acerca de crecer, empoderarse y encontrar la propia voz.

Una cervatilla se abre paso a través de la frontera, un paisaje repleto de flora y fauna nativas de la región. Una voz dulce, pero que la estimula y le da fuerza, anima a la cervatilla a enfrentar sus temores cuando encuentra un obstáculo que resulta una barrera infranqueable.

Este libro, elaborado con una combinación de técnicas que incluyen letras con diseño de bordado, pinturas, dibujos, ilustraciones digitales, está dirigido a lectores muy jóvenes que buscan su lugar en un mundo lleno de incertidumbre.



SUPER CILANTRO GIRL/LA SUPERNIÑA DEL CILANTRO (EDICIÓN BILINGÜE)

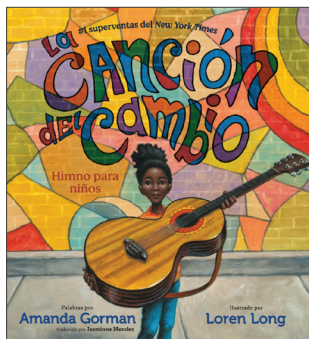
JUAN FELIPE HERRERA, ILUSTRACIONES: HONORIO ROBLEDATAPIA
LEE & LEE BOOKS, INC. (2019)

¿Qué ocurre cuando una pequeña niña de pronto comienza a volverse de color verde, tan verde como una hoja de cilantro, y crece a una altura que supera los quince metros? ¡Se convierte en la Superniña del Cilantro, que vence todos los obstáculos!

Esmeralda Sinfronteras es la heroína en este relato acerca de una niña que vuela distancias enormes y escala muros elevados para rescatar a su mamá.

El premiado escritor Juan Felipe Herrera aborda las preocupaciones de muchos niños que son primera generación de inmigrantes. Honorio Robledo Tapia contribuyó al libro con dibujos y paisajes luminosos que deleitarán a niñas y niños.

Apto para la Juventud.



LA CANCIÓN DEL CAMBIO: UN HIMNO PARA NIÑOS (AUDIOLIBRO)

AMANDA GORMAN, TRADUCCIÓN: JASMINNE MENDEZ
RANDOM HOUSE AUDIO (2019)

Un lírico libro debut para niños elaborado por la poetisa inaugural presidencial, Amanda Gorman, y el ilustrador superventas #1 de *New York Times*, Loren Long.

Una niña guía a un elenco de personajes por un viaje musical, y ellos aprenden que tienen el poder de hacer cambios —grandes o pequeños— en el mundo, en sus comunidades y sobre todo dentro de ellos mismos.

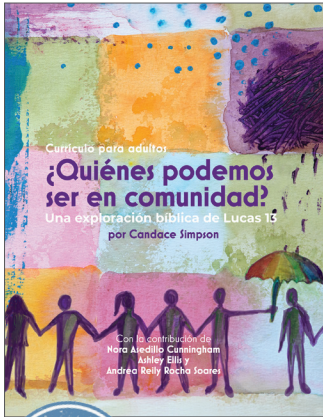
La letra habla de esperanza, solidaridad, tolerancia y coraje, y el ritmo lleva a la niña por las calles de su ciudad, en un movimiento musical que ruge, florece y atrae a sus vecinos, quienes van sumando fuerzas para ayudarse mutuamente. *La canción del cambio* alcanza un crescendo deslumbrante, convocando a todos a la acción para que usen sus habilidades para hacer una diferencia.

Este audiolibro está realizado en español.

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CRECIMIENTO ESPIRITUAL



¿QUIÉNES PODEMOS SER EN COMUNIDAD? (UNA EXPLORACIÓN BÍBLICA DE LUCAS 13) 150 AÑOS EN MISIÓN

CANDACE SIMPSON CON LA CONTRIBUCIÓN DE NORA ASEDILLO CUNNINGHAM, ASHLEY ELLIS Y ANDREA REILY ROCHA SOARES

En este estudio de Misión u para adultos, Candace Simpson anima a las y los participantes a profundizar en las enseñanzas de Jesús en Lucas 13 y explorar qué significa estar en comunidad. Como señala Simpson, “para quienes seguimos a Cristo dos mil años más tarde, es importante conectarnos con la gama de emociones que surgen en respuesta a estas palabras. No es fácil construir y sostener comunidades, especialmente cuando hay fuerzas que nos consumen, nos agotan, y hasta nos empujan a actuar de manera inusitada. Aun así, se nos llama a actuar en forma coherente con los principios éticos de nuestra fe para que podamos testificar del reino de Dios en la tierra”

Súmese a un espacio local de Misión u donde se enseñe este estudio de misión.

INFORME DE REQUERIMIENTOS CUMPLIDOS

(Envíe el formulario completo a la secretaria de Recursos del Programa o equivalente de acuerdo con el esquema de su Conferencia)

NOMBRE:

PLAN ELEGIDO:

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AÑO EN CURSO:

ÉNFASIS DE MISIÓN

Educación para la Misión

Desarrollo de Liderazgo

Crecimiento Comunitario

Acción Social

Crecimiento Espiritual

He completado la lectura requerida para el PLAN _____. Los libros que he leído se enumeran en este formulario.

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CONFERENCIA

NOMBRE EN LETRAS DE IMPRENTA

DIRECCIÓN

CIUDAD, ESTADO, CÓDIGO POSTAL

☐ También he leído response regularmente.

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Mujeres
Unidas
en la Fe

Coordinación/Gestión de Recursos del Programa

Presidente

여선교회 회원님들께,

제가 어린 소녀였을 때, 혼자서 집 밖에 나가 다른 곳을 갈 수 있는 허락을 처음 받았을 때 참 기뻐했습니다. 이는 독립을 의미했습니다. 자유를 의미했습니다. 그리고 세상을 탐구하는 기회를 의미했습니다. 제가 혼자 방문한 곳이 어디 곳인지 아십니까? 동네 도서관이었습니다!

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비소설 분야의 책들은 나무로 만들어진 긴 도서목록 박스에 있는 종이 카드들을 열람하면서 찾아보는 것이 가장 좋았습니다. 열람번호를 번호가 틀리지 않도록 연필로 잘 써서 그 책들을 찾아 세상과 저 자신에 관한 질문들에 대한 답을 찾곤 했습니다. 한편 이 곳 저곳에서 책을 빼 보면서 제가 전에는 스스로 생각해 보지 않았던 질문을 새롭게 하기도 하고, 이 세상이 얼마나 크고 아름다운지도 알게 해 주었습니다. 저는 당시 수줍음을 많이 탔었는데 도서관 안에서 안전하고 자유롭게 이 큰 세상을 여행하는 것 같았습니다.

30년이 지난 오늘 저는 이제 엄마로서 시간이 날 때 마다 제 아이를 도서관에 데리고 갑니다. 제게는 책의 세계가 아직도 많이 놀랍고 경이롭습니다. 제가 항상 생각하고는 있었지만 언어로 표현을 할 수는 없었던 점들을 작가가 글로 쓰는 것을 볼 때 정말 깊은 감동을 받습니다. 또한 제 생각과는 다른 관점이나 경험을 접하고 제 생각에 도전을 받기도 합니다. 이렇듯 책은 새로운 정보를 줄 뿐만 아니라 새로운 생각을 하게 해 줍니다. 이 모든 독서의 경험은 삶의 좋은 선물이 될 수 있고, 오늘날 참 필요하기도 합니다. 이것이 독서 프로그램의 힘입니다.

올해의 독서 프로그램에 참여하시면서 깊이 동감하는 책들과 입장 많이 다른 책들 모두에 마음과 생각을 열고 새로운 경험을 하시기를 권유합니다. 저자들로부터 배우십시오. 항상 관심 가져오던 주제를 벗어나서 다른 관점이나 경험을 나누는 책들을 살펴보십시오. 당신의 영혼에 감동을 주는 바가 무엇인지를 일기에 적어 보십시오. 여러분과 같은 시각으로 쓰여진 책도 읽어 보시고, 또한 여러분이 어렵다고 생각하는 주제의 책도 한 두 권 정도 읽기를 권장합니다. 성인 비소설을 주로 읽으십니까? 소설을 도서 목록에 포함하고, 읽어 보십시오. 사회 정의 실천에 관한 책을 모두 좋아하십니까? 영적 성장에 관한 책도 읽어 보십시오. 독서 경험을 더 심화하고 싶으면, 도서 목록을 가족, 친구, 직장 동료들과 나누십시오. 독서회를 구성할 수도 있고, 보다 자유롭게 주변의 사람들과 책 이야기를 할 수도 있습니다. 어떤 형태이건 여러분이 할 수 있는 방법으로 다른 사람들과 함께 책을 읽을 수 있는 길을 찾아 보십시오. 다세대에 참여하는 방법도 있습니다. 어린이와 청소년은 책 읽는 것을 좋아합니다. 우리 독서 프로그램은 어느 연령에 있든 누구나 다 참여할 수 있도록 고안되어 있습니다. 여러분이 알고 있는 어린이와 청소년들과 이 독서 프로그램의 책 내용을 나누어 주고, 기회가 되면 여러분이 읽는 책의 내용에 관해 함께 대화해 보십시오. 성인, 청소년, 어린이 모두 이 독서의 경험을 통해 큰 혜택을 받을 수 있습니다.

마지막으로, 올해의 독서 프로그램을 시작하시면서, 혼자가 아님을 기억해 주시기를 당부합니다. 우리는 여러분이 올해 독서하시는 가운데 기도로서 함께 할 것입니다. 이 독서 프로그램을 통해 여러분의 영혼이 충만해지고, 생각이 깊어지고, 성령이 여러분 마음에 심어 주신 사역을 잘 할 수 있도록 도와 주기를 기도합니다.

평안과 축복 안에서,

Emily A Jones

에밀리 존스
인종 정의 총무



알림 사항



책을 찾을 수 있는 곳: 공공 도서관, 즐겨 찾는 동네 서점, 혹은 온라인 서점을 통해 책을 구입하실 것을 권유한다. 연합감리교회 여선교회는 직접 책을 판매하지 않는다.




오디오 북: 음성 도서가 더 쉽고 편하신 분들은 오디오 북을 편리하게 이용하라.

독서 완료 수료증

이것은 다음을 증명합니다

____가 연암대학교 어원교회의 독서 프로그램
 재직 ____일을 완료하였음을 이 수료증을 증명한다.

20__년 ____월 ____일 증명



연암

어원교회

교도/신도 재직 증명서/증명서

서명

보고와 수료 인정: 독서 프로그램 수료 이후의 인증은 연합감리교회 여선교회의 각 지방 혹은 연회 차원에서 이루어진다. 지방이나 연회의 리더십 팀에 연락하여 필요한 내용을 받고 양식이 맞추어 보고서를 제출하여, 독서 프로그램 수료 인정을 받는다.

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연도에 관한 사항: 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021-2022, 그리고 2023년의 독서 프로그램 리스트에 있는 모든 책들은 2023년의 독서 프로그램의 책으로 다 인정된다. 단지, 이미 이전에 읽고 인정을 받은 책을 다시 인정 받을 수는 없다.



보너스 도서: 이 전과 마찬가지로 보너스 책들은 두 권의 책으로 점수를 받는다. 2023년에는 모든 독서 분야에 보너스 도서들이 포함되어 있다.

보너스 북은 왼쪽에 있는 기호로 표시된다.

참고: 영적 성장 보너스 책을 읽고 보너스 점수를 받으려면 다음과 같은 수업을 참석하거나 인도해야 한다. 8과로 되어 있는 미션 유(Mission U)의 수업을 지방이나 연회 차원에서 참석하거나 인도할 수 있다. 혹은 교회나 여선교회 모임 등의 지역 모임에서 참석하거나 인도할 수 있다. 이 보너스 책을 읽었지만, 수업에 참석하지 않은 경우에는 보너스 없이 한 권의 책으로 점수를 받는다.



신앙 토크: 신앙 토크 팟캐스트를 듣고 독서 프로그램의 점수를 받을 수 있다. 최소한 두 개의 신앙 토크 팟캐스트를 들으면 영적 성장 분야의 책 한 권의 점수를 받는다.



영화: 영화를 보고 독서 프로그램의 점수를 받을 수도 있다. “감추어진 사람들,” “밀어내기,” 그리고 “당신이 주는 혐오” 등의 영화가 그 예이다. 어느 분야로 그 점수를 받는가를 계산할 때에 이 영화의 오리지널 책의 분야를 찾아라. 그리고 그 같은 분야에서 영화로 점수를 신청하라.



추천 도서: 미래의 독서 프로그램에 합당한 도서를 추천하고 싶으면, umfaith.org의 독서 프로그램 페이지에서 추천할 수 있다.



책을 사랑하는 사람들의 모임: 마이티 네트워크(Mighty Network)를 통해 온라인 대화창에서 다른 사람들과 좋아하는 책 이야기를 나누라.

마이티 네트워크를 처음 사용할 경우:
<https://bit.ly/reading-enthusiasts>

마이티 네트워크를 현재 사용하고 있는 경우:
<https://bit.ly/reading-enthusiasts-MN>

독서 프로그램

계획들

인정 기간: 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021-2022, 그리고 2023 년의 독서 프로그램 리스트에 있는 모든 책들은 2023년의 독서 프로그램의 책으로 다 인정된다 단지, 이미 이전에 읽고 인정을 받은 책을 다시 인정 받을 수는 없다.

계획 I: 일년에 5 권 읽기

- 각 분야에서 한 권 씩 읽는다: 선교 교육, 자료 개발, 공동체 양육, 사회적 행동, 그리고 영적 성장.
- 책은 그 전 보고서에 포함하지 않았던 것으로 현재의 도서 목록에서 선택한다.
- 리스판스 잡지를 정기적으로 읽는다.

계획 II: 일년에 10 권 읽기

- 각 분야에서 두 권 씩 읽는다: 선교 교육, 자료 개발, 공동체 양육, 사회적 행동, 그리고 영적 성장.
- 책은 그 전 보고서에 포함하지 않았던 것으로 현재의 도서 목록에서 선택한다.
- 리스판스 잡지를 정기적으로 읽는다.

계획 III: 일년에 15 권 읽기

- 각 분야에서 두 권 씩 읽는다: 선교 교육, 자료 개발, 공동체 양육, 사회적 행동, 그리고 영적 성장.
- 그리고 분야에 상관없이 다섯 권을 더 읽는다.
- 책은 그 전 보고서에 포함하지 않았던 것으로 현재의 도서 목록에서 선택한다.
- 리스판스 잡지를 정기적으로 읽는다.

계획 IV: 일년에 20 권 읽기

- 각 분야에서 두 권 씩 읽는다: 선교 교육, 자료 개발, 공동체 양육, 사회적 행동, 그리고 영적 성장. 각
- 그리고 분야에 상관없이 열 권을 더 읽는다.
- 현재의 도서 목록에서 선택한다.
- 리스판스 잡지를 정기적으로 읽는다.



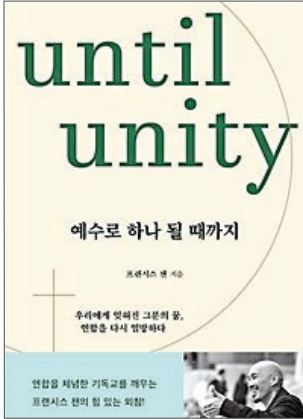
도서 원하는 서점에서 구입하거나 동네 도서관에서 빌려서 볼 수 있다.
이전의 독서 프로그램의 책 목록은 다음의 웹사이트에서 찾아볼 수 있다:

uwfaith.org/resources/2022-reading-program/

한국어 도서



영적 성장



예수로 하나 될 때까지

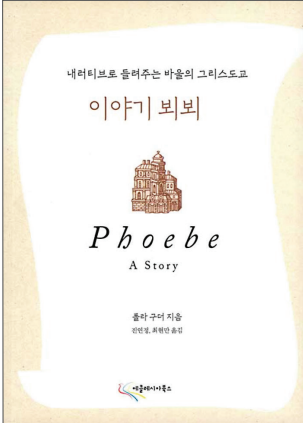
프랜시스 찬

두란노 (2021)

프랜시스 찬은 30년 넘게 목사로 살았다. 이 책에서 찬 목사는 교회의 하나됨을 피력한다. 오늘날 교회는 왜 분열이 끊이지 않는 집단이 되었는가? 많은 사람이 교리 때문이라고 생각하지만, 저자는 진짜 문제가 서로를 사랑하는 사랑이 없기 때문이라고 하며, 그동안 사역 현장에서 겪은 시행착오와 고통의 순간들 그리고 승리와 감동의 경험들을 진솔하게 나눈다.



선교 교육



이야기 뵈뵈

폴라 구더

두란노 (2021)

56년 경 사도 바울은 로마에 있는 교회에 편지를 썼다. 그 편지 로마서는 신학적 걸작이며 이후 기독교 신앙 형성에 지대한 영향을 주었다. 바울은 이 편지를 뵈뵈에게 맡겼는데, 그녀를 겐드레아 교회의 집사이며 많은 사람의 후원자라고 소개한다. 이 비범한 여인은 어떤 사람이었을까? 성경학자이자 인기 작가인 폴라 구다가 이 여인 뵈뵈의 이야기를 이 책에서 상상으로 저술하며 바울의 세계를 보는 새로운 시각을 열어준다.



사회적 행동



글로벌 그린 뉴딜

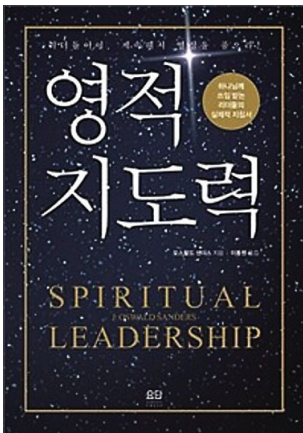
제러미 리프킨

민음사 (2020)

미래학자 제러미 리프킨이 현 시대 전 지구적인 중대 과제인 기후 변화와 관련해 세계 경제의 패러다임 전환을 다룬 이 책은 전 세계의 미래를 위한 새로운 비전을 다룬다. 세계 곳곳에서 빠르게 가속도가 붙고 있는 “그린 뉴딜”은 새로운 친환경 녹색 성장을 뜻한다. 저자는 글로벌 경제를 개혁하고 지구의 생명체를 살리기 위한 획기적인 비전과 실행 계획을 제시한다.



지도력 개발



영적 지도력

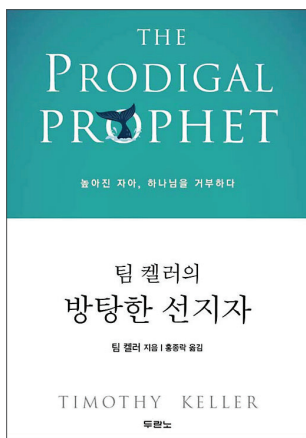
오스왈드 샌더스

요단출판사 (2018)

오스왈드 샌더스 박사는 뉴질랜드 출생으로 변호사로 일하다가 소명을 받아 사역을 시작하고, 그 후 선교활동을 통해 리더십의 비전과 성경적 이론을 확립했다. 이 책은 영적 지도자에 관해 그 의미, 성경에 나타난 지도자 상, 필수 요건, 책임, 지도력 개발 등에 관한 주제를 심도 깊게 말 해 준다. 이 책은 리더십의 영적 고전이다.



공동체를 위한 양육



팀 켈러의 방탕한 선지자

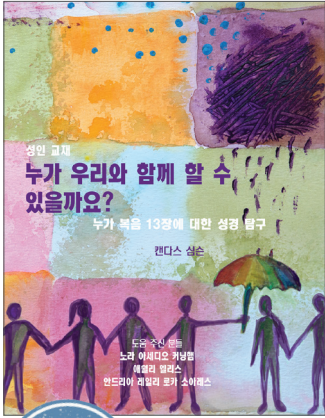
팀 켈러

두란노 (2019)

이 책은 날카롭고 통찰력 있는 설교의 대가 팀 켈러가 전해 주는 요나서의 깊은 이야기를 나눈다. 하나님께 실망한, 은혜를 잃어버린, 나만의 신앙에 자족하는, 혹은 신실하다고 자부하는 이 시대의 모든 요나들에게 도전하는 글이다. 우리가 잘 알지 못했던 혹은 오해했던 요나서에 대해 제대로 공부할 수 있는 좋은 책이다.



예수로 하나 될 때까지



누가 우리와 함께 할 수 있을까요?

누가 복음 13장에 대한 성경 탐구

캔다스 심슨 (CANDACE SIMPSON)

미션 유 성인 교재

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이 미션 유 성인 교재를 통해 저자 캔다스 샘슨은 누가복음 13장에서 나오는 예수님의 가르침을 깊이 성찰하고, 공동체와 함께 한다는 것의 의미를 탐구한다. 저자가 말하듯이, “2,000년 후에 예수를 따르는 오늘날의 신자들은 예수님의 말씀을 공부하며 느끼는 여러 감정들을 시간을 두고 살펴봐야 한다. 우리를 힘들게 하고, 지치게 하고, 평소와 다르게 행동하게 만드는 환경 속에서는 공동체를 형성하고 유지하기가 쉽지 않다. 그러나 우리는 이 세상에 하나님의 가족 공동체를 이루어 나가기 위해서 우리 신앙의 기준으로 봤을 때 가장 윤리적인 원칙에 근거해서 행동해야 한다.”

필수과정 완료 보고

(이 보고서를 작성하여 프로그램 자료 담당자 혹은 연회의 담당자에게 보낸다.)

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