

Racism and Anti-Racism: Steps We Can Take

- **Look for resources on the Southern Province's website** (www.mcsp.org). *The website includes a bibliography, an events section, and the booklet "Continuing the Journey of Racial Reconciliation" and other resources. The Resource Center at the Board of Cooperative Ministries has some of books listed in the bibliography.*
- **Provide copies of the "Continuing the Journey" booklet to your church boards and leadership. Sponsor a discussion/study on the booklet in your congregation.**
- **Be familiar with our Moravian Statements related to racism (Ground of the Unity; Moravian Covenant for Christian Living; Resolution 19 from the 2018 Synod)**
- **Follow the "ARC of racial justice": Awareness, Relationships, Commitment** described in The Color of Compromise by Jemar Tisby:
 - **Increase your awareness of the issues and the people involved**
 - **Develop interracial relationships**
 - **Commit to concrete action**
- **Educate yourself:**
 - Read and view resources (books, articles, websites, newsletters, videos)---see the "Resources on Racism and Antiracism" list on the Provincial website (www.mcsp.org)
 - Read writings by people of color: memoirs, histories, novels, poetry, etc.
- **Join or start a book club**
 - Patty Digh's Hard Conversations Bookclub (internet): www.pattydigh.com
 - Provincial Antiracism book group starting in later 2020
- **Visit a church where you are a minority.**
- **Participate in community activities where you are a minority.**
- **Take a class, for example....**
 - Institute for Racial Equity Phase 1 Workshop (highly recommended!): www.racialequityinstitute.com; Forsyth County area: see website of Neighbors for Better Neighborhoods for local dates (www.nbncommunity.org/events); outside of Forsyth see www.racialequityinstitute.com .
 - Hard Conversations (www.PattyDigh.com): web-based training
- **Read your local newspaper**, with an eye towards stories and policies particularly effecting minorities