



RACIAL JUSTICE RISING

MASS SLAVERY APOLOGY



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Resources for Racial Justice

12/11/15

Many people have told us what a great resource these newsletters are, that they always learn something, that they immediately share them with friends and colleagues.

If you appreciate this resource, and are able, we welcome your donations!

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Thank you to our fiscal sponsor, the [Peace Development Fund](#).

Mass Slavery Apology's activities:

Join us at our free monthly programs in Greenfield

All programs are at the First Congregational Church of Greenfield, 43 Silver Street, Greenfield MA 01301, usually on the first Saturday morning of the month. (Thank you to the First Congregational Church of Greenfield for your support!)

Free snacks and childcare

Our next program:
Saturday, January 9th
[Our Stories of White Privilege, Then & Now](#)
10 a.m. to noon

The program will be followed by a lunch of home-cooked New Orleans-style food, suggested donation \$5-\$25.



Our December 5th program was *Education or Miseducation: By Accident or Design?* with Dr. Mulazimuddin Rasool.

[Check out Mass Slavery Apology's](#)



Art by [Grandmother Marian Dawn Skyweaver](#)

YouTube channel, with videos of our programs and more.

Currently available:

- Education or Miseducation, with Dr. Mulazimuddin Rasool
- 1676 and Beyond: Tribes, Race, and Untold Histories
- What Reparations Forces Us To Do, with Chris Tinson
- One People, One Earth! with Brother NorthStar
- Black Lives/Black History with Gloria De,Layne Matlock and Adam Matlock
- Video of the April 14 Black Lives Matter action in Springfield MA.

Western MA news: Protesting a confederate flag in Greenfield

- [Video of 12/3 antiracism protest](#), from GCTV
 - [Demonstrators Speak Out About Racism](#), by Aviva Luttrell in the Greenfield Recorder
- Monday, 12/14: Greenfield Human Rights Commission meeting at Greenfield Town Hall, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, 12/16: Greenfield Town Council meeting, 7 pm, starts with a public forum. At Greenfield Community Television.

Articles, websites, and other resources

Black Lives

- [I Fit The Description](#), by Steve Locke, at Art and Everything After

Black History

- [Delaware Governor Says State Must Apologize For Its Role in Slavery](#), by Barbara Goldberg at Huffington Post
- [America Needs A National Slavery Monument](#), by Blain Roberts and Ethan J. Kytle at the New York Times

Children

- [EmbraceRace](#) is an online community of discussion and practice around caring for and raising kids in the context of race.

Economics

- [America's 100 Richest People Control More Wealth Than The Entire Black Population](#), by Josh Harkinson at Mother Jones

General

- [Why Do You Think Stereotypes Are True? Decoded](#) with Francesca Ramsey, from MTV

Islamophobia

- [Dear Non-Muslim Allies](#), by Sofia Ali-Kahn
- [Falsely Accused Muslim Doctor Responds](#), by Colin Taylor at Occupy Democrats
- [I Pledge To Resist Fear & Hatred](#), from SURJ

True History

- [The Second Amendment Was Ratified To Preserve Slavery](#), by Thom Hartmann at Truthout
- [The spread of the Ku Klux Klan in early 20th century](#), from the Journal of Blacks in Higher Education

White Privilege/White Antiracism

- [White Debt: Reckoning What's Owed - and Can Never Be Repaid - For Racial](#)

[Privilege](#), by Eula Biss at the New York Times Magazine

Other groups' events:

- **Thru December 31, NYC:** [The 75th Anniversary of the American Negro Theatre](#)
- **December 12-13, Hartford CT:** [Undoing Racism Workshop](#) with the People's Institute for Survival & Beyond.
- **December 13, Housatonic MA:** [New England's Public Memory of Slavery & Its Role in the Black Lives Matter Movement](#)
- **December 18, Amherst MA:** [National Freedom Day](#), in commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the 13th amendment
- **December 18, Brattleboro VT:** [Anne Braden, Southern Patriot](#), film and discussion with [Lost River Racial Justice Film Series](#). 6 p.m. on Dec. 18 at The Root Social Justice Center, 28 Williams Street, Brattleboro. Free. Wheelchair accessible & fragrance free. [For more info](#).
- **December 19, Amherst MA:** Racial Equity Community Meeting. Parents, guardians, and community are invited to discuss how you view education for children, their perceptions of the climate in the schools and any suggestions for how to make improvements, especially in ways to support racial equity for our children. 9:30-12:30, Amherst room at Jones Library
- **January 21-23, NYC:** [Listen For A Change: Sacred Conversations for Racial Justice](#)

The members of Racial Justice Rising are ordinary people who are troubled by the persistent racism that plagues this country. Believing that the damage caused by racism must be repaired before our society can be whole, we work for just and respectful treatment for all. We share a vision of a multi-racial, multi-cultural, multi-lingual, and multi-faith community.

Our mission is to work for racial justice and system change by:

- *Bringing more people into the anti-racism movement by reaching out, especially to white people, with resources that encourage a deeper understanding of systemic racism and racial justice.*
- *Using Mass Slavery Apology, our statement of apology for slavery, to build public acknowledgement of the legacy of slavery and public support for reparations.*
- *Addressing conditions of injustice in our own communities.*

While much of our work is focused in our local area, Franklin County, MA, we reach out to and are connected with the broader movements in our region and the nation.

Thank you, readers who send us information for these newsletters! We welcome links to articles, videos, event listings, and other resources.

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