# Resources for Engaging (Anti)Racism, Whiteness, White Privilege/Fragility, and More

## From the WTS Panelists of Race and the Church:

A Christian Response to the Death of George Floyd

### Beginner-Level Books (Memoirs, Historical Surveys, Stories, Novels)

Maya Angelou – I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings

Brian Bantum – The Death of Race: Building a New Christianity in a Racial World

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

Ta-Nehisi Coates – Between the World and Me and The Water Dancer

John Hope Franklin and Alfred A Moss, Jr. - From Slavery to Freedom: A History of African Americans

Lisa Sharon Harper – The Very Good Gospel

Drew G. I. Hart – The Trouble I've Seen: Changing the Way the Church Views Racism

Jennifer Harvey – Raising White Kids: Bringing Up Children in a Racially Unjust America

Martin Luther King, Jr. – A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings and Speeches and Strength to Love

Toni Morrison – Beloved and The Bluest Eye

lieoma Oluo - So You Want to Talk About Race

Soong-Chan Rah – Return to Justice

Bryan Stevenson – *Just Mercy* 

Jemar Tisby – The Color of Compromise

Chanequa Walker-Barnes – Too Heavy a Yoke: Black Women and the Burden of Strength and I Bring the Voices of My People

Isabel Wilkerson – The Warmth of Other Suns

## Mid-Level Books To Build Awareness and Advocacy

Michelle Alexander - The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness

Jacqueline Battalora – Birth of a White Nation: The Invention of White People and Its Relevance Today

Eduardo Bonills-Silva – Racism without Racists

Clayborne Carson (ed.) – The Autobiography of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Christina Cleveland - Disunity in Christ: Uncovering the Hidden Forces That Keep Us Apart

Ta-Nehisi Coates – We Were Eight Years in Power

Fania Davis – Race and Restorative Justice

Robin DiAngelo – White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism

Michael Emerson, Divided By Faith: Evangelical Religion and the Problem of Race in America

Leah Gunning Francis - Ferguson & Faith: Sparking Leadership & Awakening Community

Ibram X. Kendi – How To Be An Anti-Racist, and, for more of the history, Stamped From The Beginning, and Stamped

Cornell West (ed.) - The Radical King

#### **Theological and Biblical Books**

Eric Barreto and Michael Chan – Exploring the Bible

James Cone – The Cross and the Lynching Tree

Cane Hope Felder – Stony the Road We Trod: African American Biblical Interpretation

Eleazar S. Fernandez – Teaching for a Culturally Diverse and Racially Just World

Wilda Gafney - Womanist Midrash: A Reintroduction to the Woman of the Torah and the Throne

Willie James Jennings – The Christian Imagination: Theology and the Origins of Race

Soong-Chan Rah – Prophetic Lament: A Call for Justice in Troubled Times

Rodney Sadler and Emerson Powery – The Genesis of Liberation: Bib. Interp. in the Antebellum Narratives of the Enslaved

John Swinton – Becoming Friends of Time: Disability, Timefullness, and Gentle Discipleship

Howard Thurman – Jesus and the Disinherited

Randy Woodley - Shalom and the Community of Creation

#### Other Media (Movies, Documentaries, Podcasts)

13th and Selma and When They See Us (dir. Ava DuVernay; 13th and WTSU available on Netflix)

Dear White People (dir. Justin Simien)

Fruitvale Station and Black Panther (dir. Ryan Coogler)

I Am Not Your Negro (dir. Raoul Peck, available on Prime Video)

Just Mercy (dir. Destin Daniel Cretton)

The Hate U Give (dir. George Tillman Jr.)

1619 Project (NYTimes, podcast)