



# Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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## **RESOURCES**

### ***ELCA Racial Justice/Anti-Racism***

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#### **ELCA Resources**

##### **Primary Documents**

*ELCA Constitution*

<http://www.elca.org/secretary/constitutions/ConstitutionsBylawsandContinuingResolutions2005.pdf>

*Multicultural Mission Strategy* (See Multicultural Ministries Executive Director Sherman Hicks for copies)

*Social Statement Freed In Christ: Race, Ethnicity, and Culture*

<http://www.elca.org/socialstatements/freedinchrist/>

*Plan for Mission*

<http://www.elca.org/assembly/03/relateddocuments/401STRATEGICPLAN.pdf>

#### **Educational Resources**

*One Body, Many Members*, 2008. A web-based resource designed to equip congregations to reach out and fully welcome persons whose race, culture and class is different from their own.

(<http://www.elca.org/onebody/>)

*Lazarus at the Gate*, 2007. This resource offers a critical exploration of the intersection of poverty, race and justice with a chapter focusing on the particular experience of women at this intersection. Available through Augsburg Fortress ([www.augsburgfortress.org](http://www.augsburgfortress.org), 800/328-4648), #9786000219499, \$12.00 per copy.

*Troubling the Waters for the Healing of the Church*, 2004. A resource developed specifically for White congregational members and others to help them understand the role White privilege and internalized White superiority in shaping attitudes, belief systems and cultures of the church and society at large. This resource is designed by White people for White people to equip them with tools to address and break the cycle of socialization that perpetuates racism and sustains an excluding church. The resource will help White congregational members or groups to embark on a journey of learning from one another as well as from people of color who may enter the river of conversations with them. The resource is broken into 18 sessions starting with the Advent season and ending with Pentecost. Available through Augsburg Fortress ([www.augsburgfortress.org](http://www.augsburgfortress.org), 800/328-4648), #6-0002-2031-6, \$35.00 per copy.

*Breaking the Bonds: A Workshop on Internalized Racial Oppression*, 2003. An internalized racial oppression resource. Facilitators lead individuals through a process that assists them to get in touch with negative messages internalized about themselves and others from the oppressive system of racism. Augsburg Fortress #6-0001-7445-4, \$19.95 per copy.

*Even the Stones Will Cry Out for Justice: An Adult Forum on Institutionalized Racism*. A powerful resource for congregations who want to reach out and embrace people of all races, cultures, and ethnic backgrounds. This resource provides biblical illustrations of how racism separates us from what God calls us to be; it

challenges and stimulates with questions, vignettes, and discussion topics; and it encourages change as members challenge the obstacles racism presents. This resource contains everything leaders need to conduct a three or five session Bible study or a one-day retreat. Augsburg Fortress #6-0001-0761-7, \$4.95 per copy.

*The Family of God* – This video and leader’s guide assists pre-adolescents discuss racism and share personal feelings. Focusing on biblical stories, children are encouraged to value themselves as God’s children. This resource is best used in small groups that meet regularly, such as Sunday school. Available from ELCA Distribution Service, 800/328-4648, code 69-3726, \$20 per copy.

*God’s People Building Bridges* - A leader’s guide for conducting basic cultural awareness workshops for congregational leaders. This guide helps people move away from preconceived notions about how to foster a diverse church community to a better understanding of our cultural neighbors and how to reach out to them. The guide includes sections on cultural self-awareness, stereotyping and creating a vision for a multicultural church. ELCA Distribution Service, code 69-1268, \$2.95 per copy.

*No Hate Allowed* – A compilation of biblical reflection, stories, information and resources for congregations or other groups interested in responding to hate crimes in their community. ELCA Distribution Service, codes are English: 69-7007, Spanish: 69-7008; \$4 per copy.

See the ELCA Multicultural Ministries web-site for additional listings of ELCA available racial justice and multicultural resources <http://www.elca.org/multicultural/>.

### **ELCA Ethnic Ministries**

African Descent Ministry: <http://www.elca.org/multicultural/ADindex.html>

*Build Our Future* (African Descent Strategy)

American Indian & Alaska Native Ministry: <http://www.elca.org/multicultural/AIANindex.html>

*American Indian and Alaska Native Strategic Plan* – Available through Augsburg Fortress Press ([www.augsburgfortress.org](http://www.augsburgfortress.org), 800/328-4648) #681046/V000074654.

Arab & Middle Eastern Ministry: <http://www.elca.org/multicultural/AMEindex.html>

*Arab and Middle Eastern Ministry Strategy* – Augsburg Fortress #600021555X.

Asian & Pacific Islander Ministry: <http://www.elca.org/multicultural/APIindex.html>

*Asian and Pacific Islander Ministry Strategy* – Augsburg Fortress #6000134835.

Latino & Spanish Language Ministry: <http://www.elca.org/multicultural/LATindex.html>

*Latino Ministry Strategy* (Both English and Spanish Version) – Augsburg Fortress #6000162715.

### **ELCA Ethnic Associations**

African American Lutheran Association (AALA)

American Indian/Alaska Native Association - ELCA

Asociación Luterana de Ministerios Hispanos de la Iglesia Evangélica Luterana en América (Association of Hispanic Ministries of the ELCA)

Association of Asians/Pacific Islanders-ELCA

Association of Lutherans of Arab/Middle Eastern Heritage

European American Lutheran Association (EALA)

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## Videography

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A Time for Burning	Bill Jersey	1966	B000BB153Y
Almost a Woman	Betty Kaplan	2001	B000FNNI6U
American Beauty	Sam Mendes	1999	B00003CWL6
American History X	Tony Kaye	1998	6305313687
Amistad	Steven Spielberg	1999	0783231202
Beloved	Jonathan Demme	1998	0788815474
Black Robe	Bruce Beresford	1998	1573623903
Boys Don't Cry	Kimberly Peirce	2000	B00003CWN3
Boyz In the Hood	John Singleton	1998	0767811070
Color of Fear	Lee Mun Wah, Stirfrye Seminars & Counseling, Inc	1994	NA
Cool Runnings	Robert Mugge	1983	B0009R1SPA
Crash	Paul Haggis	2005	B000A3XY5A
Dangerous Minds	John N. Smith	1995	6305428271
Dogma	Kevin Smith	1999	B00003CWOL
Do the Right Thing	Spike Lee	1989	0783227949
Guess Who's Coming to Dinner	Stanley Kramer	1967	B000TXP56C
Hotel Rwanda	Terry George	2005	B0007R4T3U
Hurricane	Norman Jewison	2000	078324228X
Invitation of Life	Douglas Sirk	1959	B0000714BT
Long Walk Home	Lee Mun Wah, Stirfrye Seminars & Counseling, Inc	1991	NA
Mirrors of Privilege: Making Whiteness Visible	Shakti Butler, World Trust Education Services	2006	NA
Mulan	Tony Bancroft	1998	B0002412Z4
Once Upon a Time When We Were Colored	Tim Reid	1996	0782010539
Philadelphia	Jonathan Demme	1993	0800141806
Pleasantville	Gary Ross	1998	6305308659
Remember the Titans	Boaz Yakin	2000	B000CDGVPS
Sankofa	Haile Gerima	1993	B000Z74Z2C
Smoke Signals	Chris Eyre	1998	6305428417
Sometimes in April	Raoul Peck	2005	B0007R4SYU
Soul Food	George Tillman Jr	1997	B00066FAQW
Stand and Deliver	Ramon Menendez	1988	6305161917
10,000 Black Men Named George	Robert Townsend	2002	B00009AV7Q
The Birdcage	Mike Nichols	1996	0792833198
The Color Purple	Steven Spielberg	1985	B000P0J092
The Perez Family	Mira Nair	1995	B000089731
Thunderheart	Michael Apted	1992	0767812182
To Kill A Mockingbird	Robert Mulligan	1962	0783225857
Torch Song Trilogy	Paul Bogart	1988	B0001HAGRE