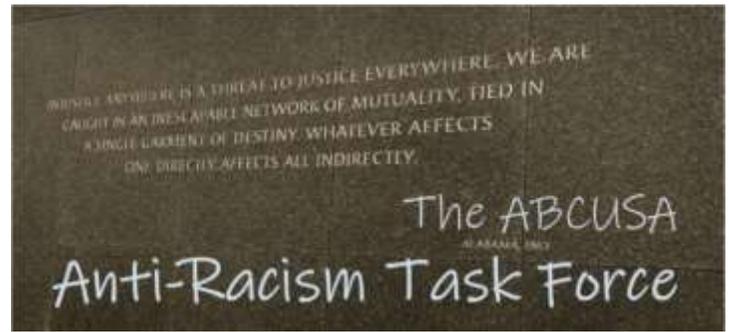


# CALL FOR PAPERS

You are invited to submit a paper for possible inclusion and presentation at



## THE PROPHETIC RHYTHM OF ANTI-RACISM

An online symposium hosted by the ABCUSA Anti-Racism Task Force  
Saturday, October 30, 2021 | 3:00 – 7:00 PM ET

Reflection papers should be 2-3 pages typed and double-spaced on the exploration of one of two topics: **1) Anti-Racism** or **2) Reparations**

Chosen papers will be part of a panel discussion, including Q & A.

The Anti-Racism Task Force aims to provide a platform for pastors, executive ministers, laity, and all other ABCUSA family members to present their reflections on anti-racism. This is an opportunity for the denomination to share its many voices, views, and perspectives.

Reflection papers must be emailed to [abc-anti-racism@abc-usa.org](mailto:abc-anti-racism@abc-usa.org) by **Friday, October 15**. Include in your email the following: full name, email address, phone number, and a brief statement on how you are connected to the American Baptist Churches USA. Selected participants will be notified by Tuesday, October 19.

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### FRAMING DEFINITIONS:

**Anti-Racism** is the active dismantling of systems, privileges, and everyday practices that reinforce and normalize the contemporary dimensions of white dominance (Crenshaw, 2020). The work of anti-racism actively identifies and opposes racial hatred, bias, systemic racism, white supremacy, and inequitable opportunity established on both individual and systemic levels.

**Reparations** refer to the act or process of making amends for a wrong. Reparations are intended to promote justice by redressing gross violations of human rights. The UN proposes five forms of reparations: 1) restitution; 2) rehabilitation: psychological and physical support; 3) compensation; 4) satisfaction: acknowledgment of guilt, apology, burials, construction of memorials, etc.; and 5) guarantees of non-repetition: reformation of laws and civil and political structures that led to or fueled violence (United Nations, 2020).

