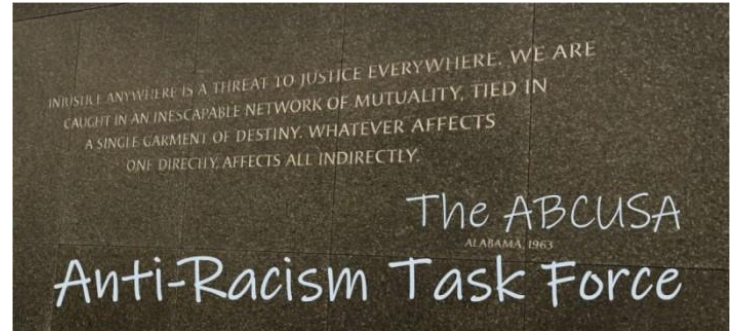


CALL FOR PAPERS

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 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.

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).

