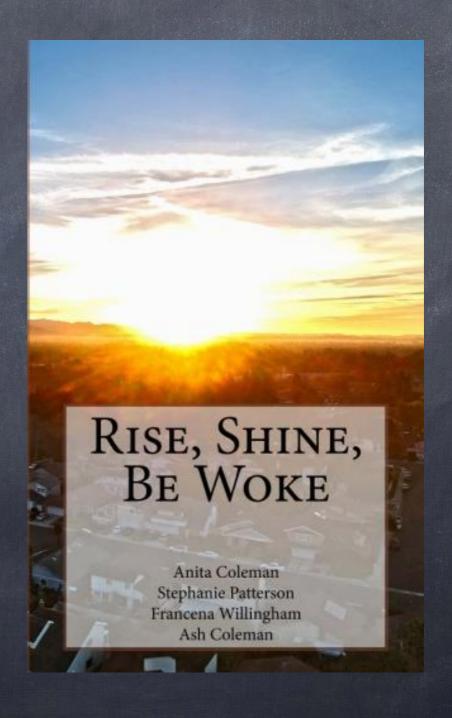
# Disrupting Racism: Next Steps

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#### Rise, Shine, Be Woke

- Woke: To be aware of racism and racialization and all the evils of race. Be woke means to be a transformative antiracist
- Women Leading Edge Baby
   Boomers + Gen X + 1
   Millennial man
- Francena Willingham
  Stephanie Patterson Morris
  Susan Skoglund, Marvella
  Lambright, Sharon Wakamoto,
  Ash Coleman
- Study Guide, Glossary, Antiracism Digital Library



# Anti-racism Education vs. Training

- Anti-racism education helps us understand the source and consequences of racism as well as our own role in continuing racism or transforming it by our choice of action or strategy.
- Training gives specific skills e.g. movement building, how to advocate to local elected officials, how to have conversations on difficult topics in churches.

#### Learning from each other

- Find a partner and discuss
- What does the word anti-racism mean to you?
- What does "whiteness" mean to you? Is it or is it not different from other terms such as white (skin) privilege, white identity, white supremacy?

#### My Identity is in Christ

"Our goal is to create a beloved community and this will require a qualitiative change in our souls as well as a quantitative change in our lives." Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

- How can I practice anti-racism in a strategic and sustained way to change racist effects and racialization in my sphere of influence as a transformative everyday anti-racist?
  - Spiritual awakening + occupation + education

Beloved Community = Loyalty to Lord Jesus = Kin-ship (familia) of Jesus = Kin-dom of God

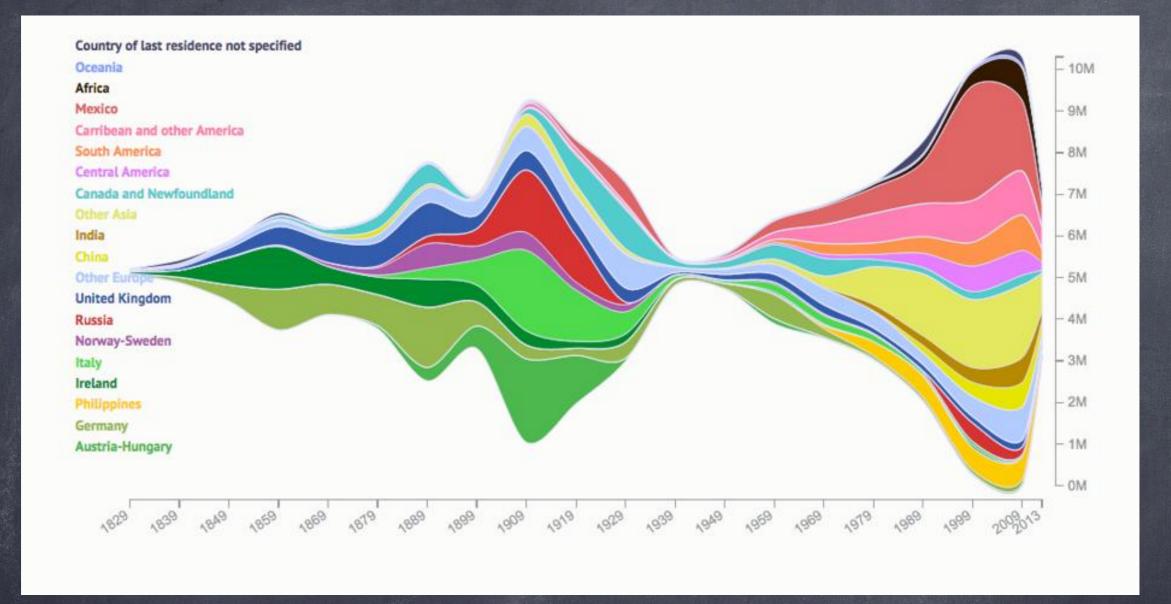
Examining relationship to systems of power and privilege

The Beloved Community ... is an achievement of the human spirit as men [and women] seek to fulfill their highest destiny as children of God.

What is being sought is a way of life that is worth living and a faith in one's self, in others, and the society that can be honestly and intelligently sustained.

Thurman, Howard. Footprints of a Dream: The Story of the Church for the Fellowship of All Peoples, Harper & Row, 1959.

Thurman, Howard. Desegregation, Integration, and the Beloved Community. In Benjamin E. Mays: His Life, Contributions, and Legacy (2009)



#### E Pluribus Unum

Multicultural USA in a Global World

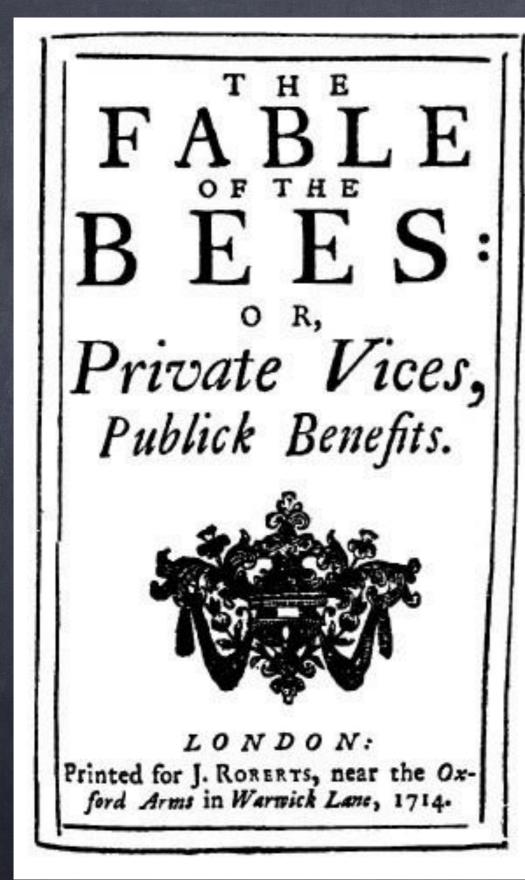
## What the Research Shows

- Euro-Americans are now the majority-minority in half a dozen states
- Income inequality increased most among Asian Americans from 1970-2016
- Suburbanites are the new face of homelessness in America, a problem caused by wage uncertainties, housing shortages, and <u>classism</u>. Why is this?

## Racism cannot be explained in terms such as "White Supremacy"

"What matters today is the need for a redistribution of wealth. Humanity will have to address this question, no matter how devastating the consequences."

- Franz Fanon



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#### Greed Is Good: A 300-Year History of a Dangerous Idea

Not long ago, the pursuit of commercial self-interest was largely reviled. How

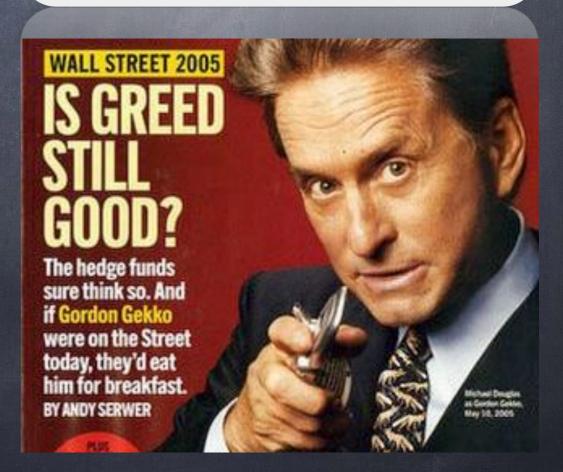
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SELF-INTEREST

But for the most part, I don't think we don't say very much about greed, not comfortably at least. Perhaps that is the inevitable price of an economic system that relies on the vigor of self-interested pursuits, that it instills a kind of moral quietism in the face of avarice,

- John Paul Rollert

Moral revolutions come about in different ways. If we reject some conduct but rarely admit an example, we enjoy the benefit of being high-minded without the burden of moral restraint. We also embolden that behavior, which proceeds with a presumptive blessing.

- John Paul Rollert

## Confronting Privilege

- White skin privilege
- Other forms of privilege Christian privilege; Male privilege; Hetero-sexual privilege; Class privilege
- Socio-economic factors such as social status, wealth, education, etc.
- Technology, information (simply by way of location)
- BL: It's not a level playing field; Privilege is a feature of systems, a group of individuals benefit.



# An invisible, weightless knapsack of assets and resources

Peggy McIntosh



Asia now has 637 billionaires

The U.S. has 563 billionaires

Europe has 342 billionaires

Asia mints one new billionaire every other day

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#### The Privilege of Wealth

Chinese Privilege in Singapore; Asian Whiteness in California



## Exposing Colorism

The Fabric of America

Discrimination based on skin color, or colorism, is a present reality.

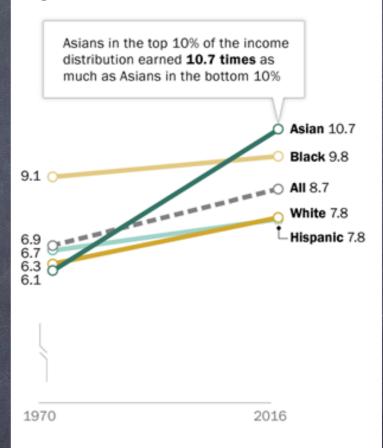
The legal system must develop a firm understanding of colorism in order for the quest for equality of opportunity to succeed.

- Trina Jones, Shades of Brown, The Law of Skin Law

Skin color is an indicator of socioeconomic class within Asian and Asian-American communities, and it may also be a marker of national origin or ancestry. - Trina Jones

#### From lowest to highest: Income inequality in U.S. increased most among Asians from 1970 to 2016

Ratio of income at the 90th percentile to income at the 10th percentile



Note: Whites, blacks and Asians include only non-Hispanics and are single-race only in 2016. Hispanics are of any race. Asians include Pacific Islanders. Income is adjusted for household size. See Methodology for details.

Source: Pew Research Center analysis of 1970 decennial census and 2016 American Community Survey (IPUMS).

"Income Inequality in the U.S. Is Rising Most Rapidly Among Asians"

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**Figure 1:** Bonilla-Silva's Preliminary Map of a Tri-Racial System in the United States<sup>82</sup>

#### Whites

- Whites
- New whites (Russians, Albanians, etc.)
- Assimilated white Latinos
- Some multiracials (white-looking people)
- Assimilated (urban) Native Americans
- A few Asian-origin peoples

#### Honorary whites

- Light-skinned Latinos
- Japanese Americans
- Korean Americans
- Asian Indians
- Chinese Americans
- Middle Eastern Americans
- Most multiracials

#### Collective black

- Filipinos
- Vietnamese
- Hmong
- Laotians
- Dark-skinned Latinos
- Blacks
- New West Indian and African immigrants
- Reservation-bound Native Americans

#### Decentering Whiteness

- White norm / "props"
- (Whiteness as property interest Racial Capitalism "diversity")
- Antidote:
  - Centering the "Other"
  - Love



#### A Conversation

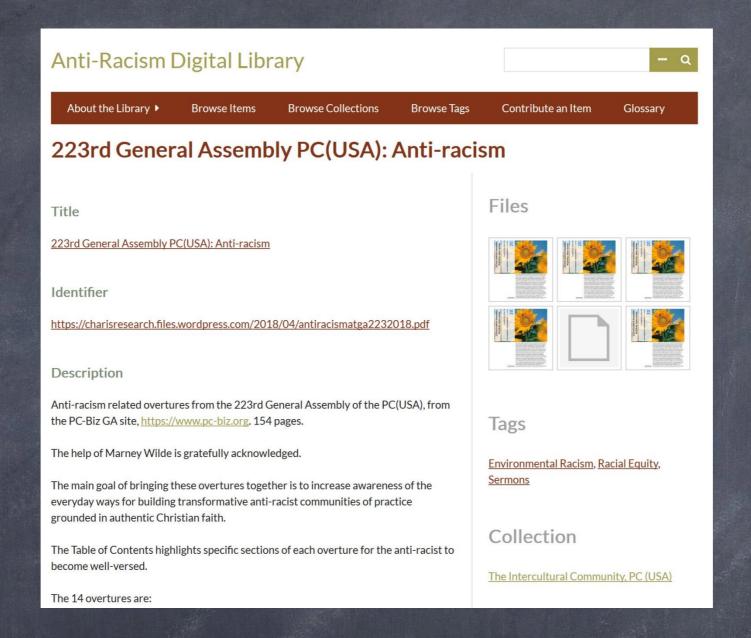
With Anne Sivley
Moderator of the PWP of Los Ranchos
Retired Educator

Misbehavior in school can pay off for white, but not black students;

the majority of students in public schools are students of color and only 18 percent of our teachers are teachers of color.

The Economic Value of Breaking Bad: How Misbehavior in School Pays Off for Some Kids, Brown Center Chalkboard, 2015.

John King, The State of Racial Disparity in the Educator Workforce. 2016.



#### Season of Jesus' Justice

GA 223 (2018) passed 14 Anti-racism related overtures plus one informational: Freedom Rising from GA 222 (2016)

## Advocacy Committee for Racial Ethnic Concerns Name Changes to

Racial Equity Advocacy Committee

Change "racial-ethnic people" with "people of color" in all documents,

-GA 223, June 2018

Declare an Imperative for the Reformation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) in being a Transformative Church in This Intercultural Era.

GA 223, June 2018

# Eight steps to end racism (GA 223)

- Recognition
- Reparations

- Repentance
- Reconciliation

Resistance

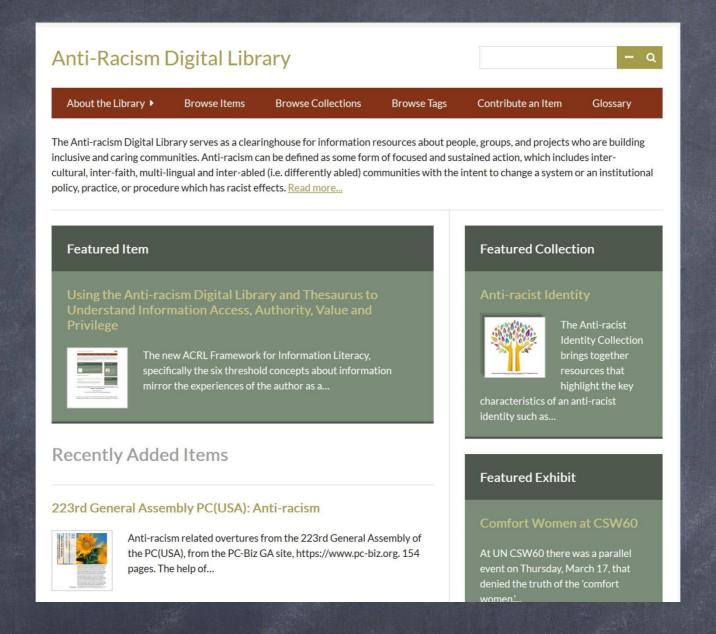
Recovery

Resilience

Resonance

#### Rise, Shine, Be Woke

- Anti-racism education vs. Training
  - Renegade Capitalism
    - Confronting Privilege
    - Decentering "Whiteness"
    - Exposing Colorism
- Identity in Jesus Beloved Community, Jesus' kin-dom of God'
- Anti-racism in identity formation, spiritual awakening/growth, professional development



### Anti-racism Digital Library

http://endracism.info/