Race and anti-racism resources



We are well aware that white people have long ignored the stories of Black and Asian people. We acknowledge that we must learn to listen, hear, and engage urgently with their experiences.

To give us somewhere to start, we have collected a whole range of media that we hope will help you to hear different voices from the white-dominated culture around us.

If text is underlined, it is linked to a place you can purchase the book or access the media. The lists are in no particular order and you will find media you resonate with and ones you don't. We hope it is simply helpful to have it all in one place.

Please contact us at info@stjamesinthecity.org.uk if you think there are obvious omissions from the lists below.

Four actions to begin with:

These come from Ruth Yimika Afolabi, founder and editor in chief of Magnify:

- Pray for families affected and countless other victims of racial injustice.
- **Explore** how Jesus treated the oppressed and the marginalised.
- **Consider** researching organisations local to you that align with your values and are fighting against racial injustice.
- **Prioritise** taking time out to talk and understand the experiences of those who are different to you.

A few places to start:

- We Need To Talk About Race: Understanding the Black Experience in White-majority
 <u>Churches (Ben Lindsay)</u>
- Why I Am No Longer Talking To White People About Race (Reni Eddo-Lodge)
- Brit (ish): On Race, Identity and Belonging (Afua Hirsch)
- Natives: Race and Class in the Ruins of Empire (Akala)
- www.blacklivesmatter.com (including donations)
- <u>Podcast:</u> Ben Lindsay being interviewed by Ruth Yimika Afolabi on the <u>Magnify podcast</u> on the tensions between race and faith.
- <u>Video:</u> Furaha (a former St James student) and her parents talk for half an hour about their experiences in the UK and the church.
- <u>Resources for families:</u> an article helping parents begin the conversation with their children. It also has links for LOADS of other resources.



To help you take action:

- <u>10 petitions you can sign</u>
- <u>Minnesota Freedom Fund</u>
- <u>The Bail Project</u>
- Go Fund Me Page For George Floyd Memorial
- Go Fund Me Page For Belly Mujinga
- <u>Stephen Lawrence Charitable Trust</u>
- <u>Craftivism actions to support the Black Lives Matter movement</u>
- 21 day racial equity habit building challenge

For those who like to read:

- Article: 'Fighting Racial Injustice: A time for change' (Natasha Chisabingo)
- Article: NB ends with five tasks for white people wanting to know: 'What can I do?' (Robin DiAngelo, author of White Fragility)
- How To Be an AntiRacist (Ibram X Kendi)
- White Rage: The Unspoken Truth of Our Racial Divide (Carol Anderson)
- Safe: 20 Ways to be a Black Man in Britain Today (Derek Owusu)
- The Hate U Give (Angie Thomas)
- Black, Listed: Black British Culture Explored (Jeffrey Boakye)
- Taking Up Space: The Black Girl's Manifesto for Change (Chelsea Kwakye, Ore Ogunbiyi)
- People Like Us: What it Takes to Make it in Modern Britain (Hashi Mohamed)
- Home Going (Yaa Gyasi)
- My Name Is Why (Lemn Sissay)
- Queenie (Candice Carty-Williams)
- Girl, Woman, Other (Bernardine Evaristo)
- Small Island (Andrea Levy)
 - Also a TV show.
- The Long Song (Andrea Levy)
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- Fruit of the Lemon (Andrea Levy)
- Americanah (Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie)
- Slay In Your Lane: The Black Girl Bible (Yomi Adegoke, Elizabeth Uviebinené)
- Black and British: A Forgotten History (David Olusoga)
 - NB this is also a BBC TV series from Autumn 2016.
- The Life and Rhymes of Benjamin Zephaniah: The Autobiography (Benjamin Zephaniah)
- Rise Up: The #Merky Story So Far (Stormzy with Jude Yawson)
- Born a crime (Trevor Noah)
- New Daughters of Africa (Margaret Busby)



For those who like to watch:

YouTube

- <u>Untitled Lament</u>. Denis is a priest in the Church of England in London.
- <u>Launch of Stormzy's book.</u> Stormzy in a wide-ranging conversation with Akala. Malorie Blackman, Chelsea Kwakye, Jude Yawson, Ore Ogunbiyi, and Benjamin Zephaniah also join.
- <u>Ben Lindsay</u>: A Zoom call with others talking about 'COVID 19, Disproportionate BAME Impact and the White Led Church Response'.
- <u>Phyllis Unkefer and Melissa Helser:</u> Conversation about race.
- <u>Robin DiAngelo:</u> A paradigm shift that could stop racism.
- <u>David Olusoga and Afua Hirsch:</u> Conversation about their books.
- <u>David Olusoga and Afua Hirsch:</u> Conversation with Oxford dons about statues: revere or remove?
- David Olusoga: BBC Stories Alt History Black British History we are not taught in schools.

Netflix

- When They See Us
- 13th
- Fruitvale Station
- American Son
- Dear White People

Amazon Prime

- The Uncomfortable Trust
- Green Book
- Harriet

BBC:

- Noughts + Crosses
- Sitting in Limbo

The Black Panthers: Vanguard Of The Revolution - Available To Rent



For those who like to listen:

Podcasts

- Two Friends Talk About Race, Then Football
- Have You Heard George's Podcast? George The Poet
- Seeing White
- 1619 By The New York Times
- Motherhood: Candice Braithwaite being interviewed on Annie Mac's podcast Change
- Youth violence and mentoring: Jhemar Jonas being interviewed on Annie Mac's podcast
- <u>Code Of Switch</u>
- <u>Audio documentary by Sheila Marshall and Robert Beckford called: 'Black Pentecostals,</u> <u>the Pandemic and the Future of Christianity'</u>
- Church of the City New York: Race, Class, Reconciliation and the Kingdom of God.

Playlists

Black Lives Matter

Social Media/Websites:

Instagram

- @BLKLIVESMATTER
- @NAAPC
- @COLOROFCHANGE
- @THECCNYC
- @THECONSCIOUSKID

Websites

- www.theredcard.org
- <u>www.runnymedetrust.org</u>
- <u>www.stephenlawrence.org.uk</u>