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# Mission u ONLINE

July 23-24, 2021





**OPPORTUNITY for families:** Since this is the **FIRST** Holston Conference ONLINE Mission u, it is a perfect opportunity for families to participate in the sessions from home. No travel or overnight stays are involved. The schedule of online broadcasts will be:

**Friday, July 23**

9:30 am – 10:00 am	Opening Worship (all attendees)
10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Class Session 1
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch break
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm (break)	Class Session 2
3:15 pm – 4:30 pm	Class Session 3

**Saturday, July 24**

9:30 am – 11:30 am	Class Session 4
11:30 am – 12:00 pm	Closing Worship (all attendees)

**ONLINE REGISTRATION LINK:** <https://holston-reg.brtapp.com/2021Missionu>

There is a paper registration form at the end of this brochure.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Friday, July 9<sup>th</sup>**

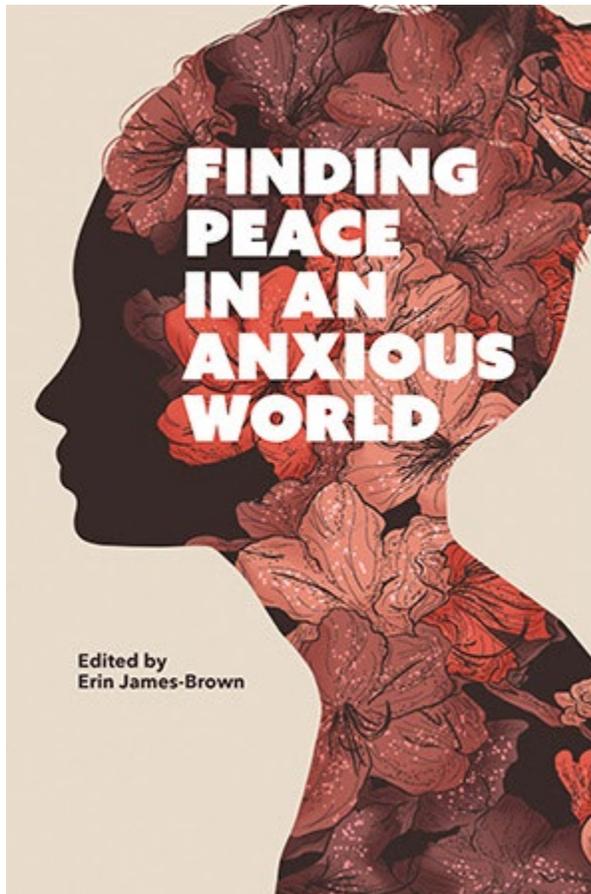
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**PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT INFORMATION!**

**BOOKS** MUST BE PURCHASED ONLINE PRIOR TO THE EVENT AT [www.missionresources.org](http://www.missionresources.org); OR [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com); OR THE SITE OF YOUR CHOICE. Children and Youth do not require a book.

## 2021 Study Summaries



# Finding Peace in an Anxious World

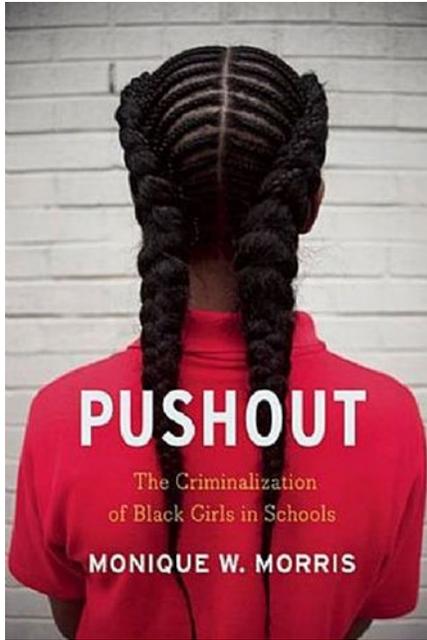
## 2021 Spiritual Growth Mission Study

Finding Peace in an Anxious World, the 2021 Spiritual Growth Study by staff of the Urban Village Church, uses the book of Proverbs and “The Serenity Prayer” as a guide to help Christians find their way through anxiety, worry, and fear and move towards God’s peace that surpasses all understanding. Using “The Serenity Prayer” as a scaffold, Finding Peace in an Anxious World explores ways to discover peace through scriptural and spiritual disciplines so that we can be rooted in God and energized to live fully as disciples of Christ.

“The Serenity Prayer” shaped a 2015 four-part sermon series at the Urban Village Church in Chicago. It was through that series that the church

was able to address the tumultuous events of that summer and present a framework for how to approach a God who desires peace for the hearts of God’s people in times of anxiety. These sermons are the basis for this book.

The four chapters, each written by a different Urban Village Church leader, focus on different aspects of the prayer—serenity, acceptance, courage, and wisdom—and each concludes with a spiritual practice to help further develop the featured characteristic in your life.

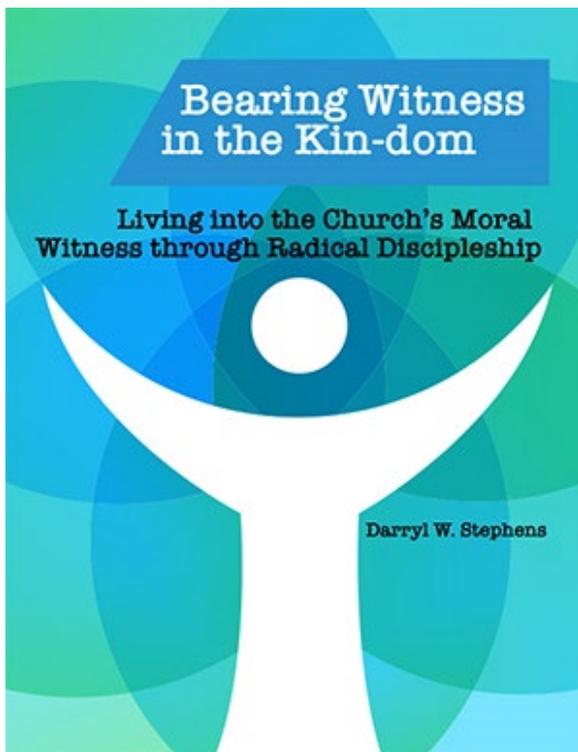


# **Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools**

## **2021 Issue Mission Study**

Despite increased attention to the mass and over-incarceration of black men, the plight of criminalized black women and girls is overlooked, underreported and under analyzed. Monique W. Morris' *Pushout* shows how even with obstacles, stigmas, stereotypes and despair, black girls still find ways to breathe remarkable dignity into their lives in classrooms, juvenile facilities

and beyond, and challenges the rest of us to do the same.

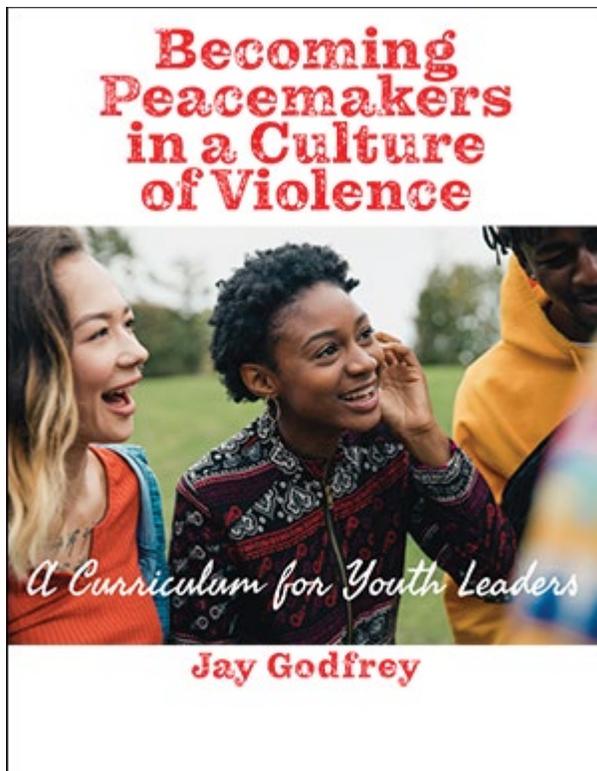


# **Bearing Witness in the Kin-dom: Living Into the Church's Moral Witness through Radical Discipleship**

## **2021 Spiritual Growth Mission Study**

In Jesus' own words, he came to bring good news to the poor, release the captives, restore sight to the blind, and to let the oppressed go free. What is the responsibility of the church to follow Christ's example in word and deed? While these times might feel particularly turbulent, society has always confronted the church with challenging issues where

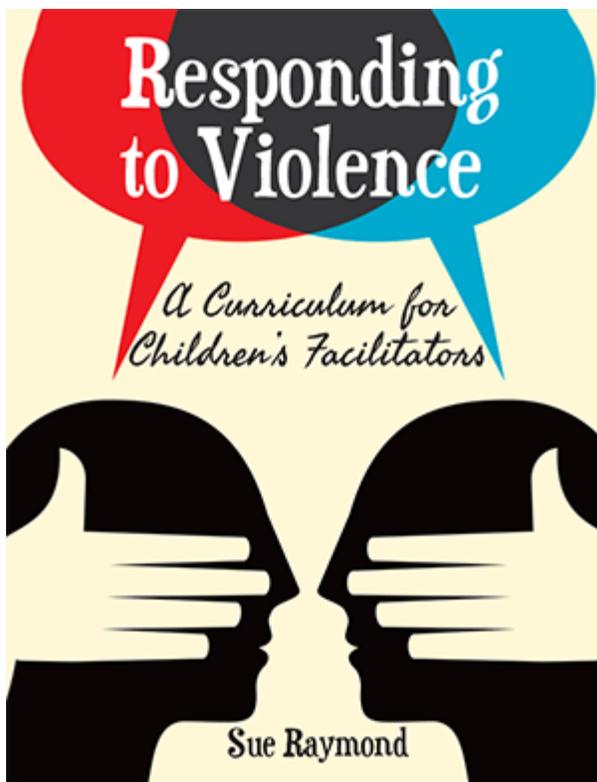
she has had to discern how God was calling her. The church's track record in these moments is far from perfect. The purpose of this study is to help the church and its members discern our call and bear witness to the will of God for a more just world. Written by Darryl W. Stephens.



## Becoming Peacemakers in a Culture of Violence

### 2021 Youth Mission Study

This mission study is written for those interested in working alongside youth on issues of violence. Throughout this study, the goal is to take time to have deeper conversations about how we define violence, what the root causes of violence are, and ultimately, how God is calling us to respond. At the same time, the study seeks to guide young people to develop their capacity as peacemakers as an expression of their faith. Written by Jay Godfrey.



## Responding to Violence

### 2021 Children's Mission Study

This study provides the opportunity to reach children, their parents and guardians with information and techniques that will help prepare them for the violence that they will unfortunately encounter over the course of their lives. This study will give them resources using scripture, role-play and discussion to draw upon when they face situations similar to the ones that we will be looking at. Written by Sue Raymond.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ First Time Attendee? Yes  No   
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU WILLING TO SHARE DATA WITH THE NATIONAL OFFICE? All data collected by United Methodist Women will be for the sole use of United Methodist Women to promote their programs and engagement opportunities. Most communications will be by email. Please indicate if you do or do not wish to receive information from United Methodist Women on additional program opportunities.

Yes  No  I prefer NOT to receive phone calls

I Am A Conference Officer: Yes  No  I Am A District Officer: Yes  No

Church: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

For Clergy Only:  Yes, I want CEU credit (1.5 CEUs if all classes are attended).

**PLEASE CHOOSE THE CLASS YOU PREFER (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Finding Peace in an Anxious World, by Erin James-Brown
- \_\_\_\_\_ Finding Peace in an Anxious World (Espanol)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools by Monique Morris
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bearing Witness in the Kin-Dom by Darryl W. Stephens
- \_\_\_\_\_ Youth: Becoming Peacemakers in a Culture of Violence
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children: Responding to Violence

It is **important** that you register early to get the course of study you most desire ... courses are assigned in the order they are received. First come, first served. Please select your course by indicating **(1) for first choice, (2) for second choice, and (3) for third choice.**

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**MAIL THE COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM (and your check if you are making a donation) TO: Susan Daffron, 2618 Brantley Park Blvd., Maryville, TN 37804**

You will receive a CONFIRMATION message with a course description and study leader information after you are assigned to a class.

**PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR STUDY BOOK BEFORE YOU ATTEND MISSION u. Youth and Children do not need a study book.**