Paul Kivel's Newsletter Summer 2017



A note from Paul

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Dear People,

I'm very excited that the revised and updated 4th edition of <u>Uprooting Racism</u> will be out in September. It offers many tools and resources for white people showing up for racial justice. Information about the book, the table of contents, and a couple of sections from the book are highlighted below. Please take advantage on the steep discount I'm offering on pre-publication orders.

I will not be traveling specifically to publicize the book, but if you'd like to help arrange a talk, workshop, or training in your area please let me know. I am also looking for help with reviews, email lists, online publicity and blog connections. I appreciate any help you can provide in getting the word out.

In love and struggle, Paul

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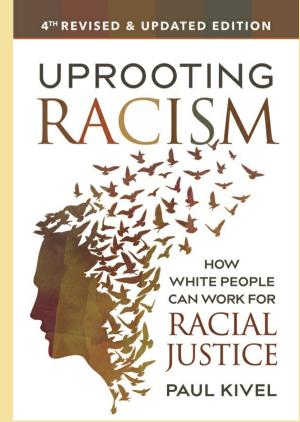
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Upcoming Publication

Uprooting Racism: How White People Can Work for Racial Justice

by Paul Kivel



In 2016, the person elected president of the United States has openly called for segregation and deportation based on race and religion. Meanwhile, Segregation and inequalities in education, housing, health care and the job market continue to be the norm while increased insecurity and fear have led to an epidemic of violence and harassment of people of color. Yet recent polls have shown that only 31 percent of white people in the US believe that racism is a major societal problem. At the same time, resistance is strong as highlighted by Indigenous struggles for land and sovereignty and the Movement for Black Lives.

Completely revised and updated, this 4th edition of Uprooting Racism offers a framework around neoliberalism and interpersonal, institutional, and cultural racism, along with stories of resistance and white solidarity. It provides practical tools and advice on how white people can work as allies for racial justice, directly engaging the reader through questions, exercises and suggestions for action.

Previous editions of Uprooting Racism have sold more than 50,000 copies because it is

accessible, personal, supportive and practical--ideal for students, community activists, teachers, youth workers and anyone interested in issues of diversity, multiculturalism and social justice.

Pre-Publication Sale: 25% off cover price

List price: \$24.99

Pre-order Price: \$18.75

Order now* and save \$6.24

Buy the book **here**.

Endorsements

"Uprooting Racism is a uniquely sensitive, wise, practical guide for white people struggling with their feelings about race."

Howard Zinn, author of A People's History of the United States

"Uprooting Racism gives the student, activist and practitioner something for their social justice tool box. The expanded edition is challenging, informative and practical. You'll finish the book and want to get right to work."

<u>Dr. Eddie Moore Jr.</u>, Founder/Director, The White Privilege Conference

"As a woman of color actively engaged in social justice movements for over 25

^{*}Pre-publication offer expires August 31, 2017

^{*}Copies ordered now will be shipped in September.

years, I have often longed for a book like Uprooting Racism to help white people understand the institutional, systematic, and persistent character of racism in our world. Paul Kivel has written a handbook to critically examine racism in our lives, and in our work for peace and justice."

Luz Guerra, activist, consultant/writer

"This book provides the best concrete guidance for the new or perplexed would-be white ally that I have ever seen in print."

Victor Lee Lewis, Progressive Life Coach, founder/director of the Radical Resilience Institute

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Part I: What Color is White?

Let's Talk...

"I am talking to you as one white person to another. I am Jewish, and I will talk about that later in this book. You also may have an ethnic identity you are proud of. You likely have a religious background, a culture, a country of origin and a history. Whatever your other identities, you may not be used to being addressed as white."

"Other people are African American, Asian American, Pacific Islanders, Native American, Latinx or Muslims. Other people have countries of origin and primary languages that are not English. White people generally assume people are white unless otherwise noted, much as humans can assume people and animals are male."...

For more on this chapter, click here.

Part II: The Dynamics of Racism

The Enemy Within...

"One of the purposes of racism and religious-based oppression is to keep people of color, Muslims, Jews and others at the center of attention while keeping white people in general, and white male Christians in particular, at the center of power and at the top of the economic pyramid. The majority of people in the US have been abused, economically exploited and discriminated against. We experience tremendous physical, economic and emotional loss from social inequity and personal abuse. Like the proverbial thief who points off in the distance to get you to look away and then deftly picks your pocket, systems of oppression divert our attention from those who have the real power to rob and hurt us. In our pain and anger we often turn against traditional scapegoats and blame people who are less powerful than we are."

Click here to read more of this chapter.

Stepping up your work for Racial Justice

You have resources to leverage for racial justice!

- 1. Money direct donations, hosting house parties
- 2. Time support work, administration, research, filing
- 3. Skills fundraising, web-based, outreach, childcare, writing, music, art, carpentry
- 4. Connections to journalists, politicians, decision-makers, funders
- **5. Space -** providing space in your house, office bldg., religious or community organization for meetings, living room gatherings, workshops, or art builds
- **6. Organizational leverage -** working for organizational change where you work, where you go to school, where your children go to school, at your religious or

community

To download more ways that you can break white silence and step up your work for racial justice, click <u>here!</u>