CONFRONTING WHITENESS
CONFERENCE

NOV 5 - 6, 2021
Welcome to Confronting Whiteness 2021! We are incredibly grateful that you have chosen to join us for this exciting time of connection, learning, and transformation as we come together to discover what it means to confront whiteness in our lives, our churches, our neighborhoods, our cities, and our world. We have a wonderful line-up of events and speakers that includes lectures, seminars, panel discussions, plenary sessions, break outs, conversation, communal meals, Jazz music, and a keynote address from Dr. Chanequa Walker-Barnes.

Confronting Whiteness 2021 is a gathering of people on a journey of becoming more deeply anti-racist by learning to identify, confront, renounce, and divest from whiteness. This event brings together people from all over the country who have participated in the “What Does it Mean to Be White?” spiritual formation and anti-racist training course that I created during my doctoral work in 2019 and launched after the horrific murder of George Floyd. Over three hundred people have participated in these intensive small groups online due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Now, this conference offers us the opportunity to come together safely to share our experiences, to discuss what has happened in our lives, and to see what this movement has become among us and in our world.

Confronting Whiteness 2021 also brings together people who are curious about the “What Does it Mean to Be White?” course who are on their own anti-racism journey and are eager to discover what it means to confront whiteness individually and collectively. Our hope is that this conference becomes a space where people who are racialized as white can continue their journey of confronting whiteness, but we also hope that it can be a space where people of color and people racialized as white have the chance to join together in a movement for collective liberation. As aboriginal artist and activist Lilla Watson wrote, “If you have come to help me, you are wasting your time. But if you have come because your liberation is tied up with mine, then let us work together.”

Thank you for joining us for this conference. Let’s start Confronting Whiteness!
Dr. Chanequa Walker-Barnes is Professor of Practical Theology and Pastoral Counseling at Columbia Theological Seminary. She has over 20 years of experience in higher education, serving on the faculty at institutions including Mercer University, McAfee School of Theology, Shaw University Divinity School, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, University of Florida, and Duke University. She earned a B.A. in Psychology/African American and African Studies from Emory University before going on to earn an M.S. and Ph.D. in Clinical Child/Family Psychology at the University of Miami, and her Master of Divinity degree, magna cum laude, from Duke University Divinity School.

She is the author of two books, *I Bring the Voices of My People with Me: A Womanist Vision of Racial Reconciliation* (Prophetic Christianity Series, Eerdmans, 2019) and *Too Heavy a Yoke: Black Women and the Burden of Strength* (Cascade Books, 2014). In addition, she has authored numerous book chapters, peer-reviewed journal articles, and reviews.

She currently serves on the editorial board for the Society of Pastoral Theology’s Journal of Pastoral Theology and is co-chair of their Embodiment Study Group. Dr. Walker-Barnes is a member of the American Academy of Religion, the American Psychological Association, the Association of Practical Theology, and the Georgia Psychological Association. She is a licensed therapist in Georgia.
**SCHEDULE**

**FRIDAY**

5:00 – 6:00 pm  
Registration | Check-in | Mixer

6:15 pm  
Welcome from Rev. Dr. Ben Boswell

6:30 pm  
**Walking with White People** reflections with Dr. Lucretia Berry

7:30 pm  
Jazz Concert | Carolina Social Music Club | Sanctuary

**SATURDAY**

8:30 – 9:00 am  
Registration | Continental Breakfast

9:00 - 10:15 am  
Panel Conversation with Participants and Facilitators

10:20 am  
A Word from Dr. Eddie Moore, Founder of the Privilege Institute

10:30 am - Noon  
Plenary Session | **Why Whiteness Matters: Race, Religion, and Pursuit of the American Dream** with Dr. Gerardo Marti with Q&A

Noon - 1:30 pm  
Lunch Break on campus

1:45 - 3:00 pm  
Breakout Sessions | see next page for the options

3:00 - 6:00 pm  
Break

6:00 - 7:00 pm  
Mixer

7:00 - 8:30 pm  
**Keynote Address** from Dr. Chanequa Walker-Barnes with Q&A

**NOTE**

All events will take place in Heaton Hall except for the Jazz Concert on Friday and the Breakout Sessions on Saturday. The breakout locations are listed on the next page.
BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Nannette Massey

White Women’s Tears
Chapter 11 of Robin DiAngelo’s book, White Fragility: Why It’s So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism

Conference Room

Dr. Eddie Moore

(White) Supremacy (White) Privilege 101:
Getting In On the Conversations

Berry Hall

Rev. Mia McClain & Rev. Tara Gibbs

Being a Person of Color in White-Dominated Spaces | offered for Persons of Color only

Room 250

Dr. Lucretia Berry & Amy Ray

An Invitation to Education for Transformation . . .

Room 261

Dr. Ben Boswell

What’s Next? Building 'What Does It Mean to Be White?' 2.0

Room 254

Rev. Carrie Veal

What Does Facilitating a What Does It Mean to Be White Course Look Like?

Parlor
MEET THE SPEAKERS

REV. DR. BEN BOSWELL
Developer of the What Does It Mean To Be White? course

Rev. Dr. Ben Boswell serves at the intersection of strategic leadership, spiritual formation, and social justice. In his professional capacity, Dr. Boswell is a preacher, pastor, author, civil rights leader, and sought after public speaker.

DR. LUCRETIA BERRY
Co-Founder of Brownicity

Dr. Lucretia Berry is Curriculum Specialist (Anti-Racism Literacy) at Community School of Davidson. She is an educator, author, and co-founder of Brownicity.com. Dr. Berry is passionate about helping people overcome boundaries through spiritual and social consciousness. She creates and cultivates inclusive community.

DR. EDDIE MOORE, JR.
CEO and Founder of The Privilege Institute

Dr. Eddie Moore, Jr. has pursued and achieved success in academia, business, diversity, leadership and community service. In 1996, he started America & MOORE, LLC to provide comprehensive diversity, privilege and leadership trainings/workshops. Dr. Moore is the Founder/Program Director for the White Privilege Conference (WPC).
SPEAKERS

DR. GERARDO MARTÍ
William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Sociology, Davidson College

The focus of Dr. Martí’s research and teaching is race, religion, and social change. He is invested in uncovering the dynamics of contemporary issues like inequality, religious innovation, and political power. His courses resource students to think for themselves and are best characterized by a cooperative process of critical thinking and analytical dialogue.

NANNETTE MASSEY
Writer & Workshop Leader

Nanette facilitates live and online workshops geared toward white audiences on thinking about race in ways that produce real change. She says that Americans are restless for a more nuanced engagement with the subject of race, but are struggling with how and where to begin. Right and wrong have no real utility in these conversations, and guilt atrophies bona fide forward accomplishment.

REV. MIA McCLEAIN
Associate Minister of Spiritual Growth & Justice and Outreach at Myers Park Baptist Church

Mia works with the Ministry of Spiritual Growth to create and sustain a vibrant adult small group ministry, Sunday morning classes, and educational conferences and other events throughout the year. Mia also coordinates and facilitates justice initiatives and community partnerships related to justice issues. She oversees the Ministry of Justice & Outreach.
SPEAKERS

REV. TARA GIBBS
Minister of Youth & College at Myers Park Baptist Church

Tara is responsible for the leadership, vision, planning, and execution of our church’s growing youth programs and for building a sustainable college ministry. Her passion has always been Christian Education and she is fired up about making sure youth of all ages have access to inclusive and theologically expansive educational materials in their communities.

AMY RAY
Operations Manager at Brownicity

Amy Ray has been part of the Brownicity Team for 5 years and is now the Operations Manager. She organizes the day-to-day business and helps keep their team moving forward in educating people about race/ism.

REV. CARRIE VEAL
Executive Minister of Community & Engagement at Myers Park Baptist Church

Carrie participated in the What Does It Mean to Be White course in the fall of 2020. She then became a facilitator and now leads groups and trains facilitators. Carrie has led small groups of parents and other adults in book studies around anti-racism work. She has made it a part of the Children’s Ministry to introduce children to authors of color and provide a different perspective. As a member of the ministerial staff, Carrie is passionate about building relationships and community for all those who come onto the MPBC Campus.
We are excited to be able to offer a concert of jazz by these talented musicians as part of our weekend lineup. Dawn Anthony is a staple of the Charlotte jazz music scene, is a teaching artist, lecturer, and performer. Ocie Davis is Artistic Director and Co-founder of Jazz Arts Charlotte. Greg Jarrell is co-founder of QC Family Tree, a community of rooted discipleship in west Charlotte whose mission is to support economic opportunity within the Enderly Park neighborhood. Greg combines that passion with his jazz saxophone to make an impact whenever and wherever he is. Mike Gudbaur is a sought-after bass player who performs with various jazz groups including the Greg Jarrell quartet. Pianist and composer, Sean Higgins, is an international touring and recording artist acting as a musical ambassador to audiences worldwide. His group, Sean Higgins Trio, offers a modern take on the jazz trio configuration.
MYERSPARKBAPTIST.ORG

We are a people on a journey of faith who are bold in spirit and open to all. Mission: to be an inclusive community for spirituality and social justice. As a church, we welcome and affirm all people regardless of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic status, political affiliation, or religious belief. We are committed to educating on white privilege, dismantling racism, and denouncing white supremacy in every iteration, until all people, regardless of race, are fully affirmed, welcomed, and included in the social and economic fabric of our society.

BROWNICITY.COM

The Brownicity Team offers eye-opening, anti-racism education through customized courses and events. They support learners of all ages by partnering with individuals, churches, schools and companies.

ALLIANCEOFBAPTISTS.ORG

A justice movement and community of faith. They are male and female laity and clergy, people of diverse sexual orientations, gender identities, theological beliefs, and ministry practices. They are about 4,500 individual members and roughly 140 congregations knit together by love for one another and God, combining progressive inquiry, contemplative prayer and prophetic action to bring about justice and healing in a changing world.

BAPTISTNEWS.COM

Baptist News Global is a reader-supported, independent news organization providing original and curated news, opinion and analysis about matters of faith. They cover the people, events and ideas that are shaping American religion and culture. They do so from a perspective that is Baptist in heritage and ecumenical in spirit.

THEPRIVILEGEINSTITUTE.COM

The Privilege Institute (TPI) develops and sustains collaborations grounded in the essential ideals of the White Privilege Conference (WPC): Understanding, Respecting and Connecting. TPI offers multiple opportunities for advocates of peace, equity, and justice to enhance their work and research by providing challenging workshops, engaging speakers, and a range of educational opportunities and resources on issues of privilege, power, and leadership.
MARKETPLACE

T-SHIRT | WHITENESS FEELS CRAZY | BLACK | WHITE $15

T-SHIRT | NOTHING CAN BE CHANGED | BLACK | WHITE $15

T-SHIRT | TREASON TO WHITENESS | BLACK | WHITE $15

CONFRONT WHITENESS FACE MASK | BLACK $5

INSULATED TUMBLER $10

INSULATED TOTE BAG $20

CAN KOOZIES $3

MORE OPTIONS
THE PRIVILEGE INSTITUTE

MARCH 9-12, 2022

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Wade in the Water

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