You can't reconcile what you don't recognize. If we don't diagnose racism first and foremost for what it really, truly is, then it is very difficult to know how to really fix it. — Robyn Afrik, a Being the Bridge member

The mission statement of Precious Blood Renewal Center declares: "We are a safe and sacred place, offering healing and hope, renewal and reconciliation, **for all people**." That last phrase is taking on new meaning these days.

Race relations in America right now is heart breaking. ... In my life experience, this is the most volatile that race relations have been. — LaRissa Hollingsworth-McKissak, a Being the Bridge member

"Things are not getting worse, they are getting uncovered. We must hold each other tight and continue to pull back the veil."

- Adrienne Maree Brown, author and activist



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The calls for racial justice across our country are calling us to wake up to the injustice in which many of us have engaged, even unconsciously.

To meet these challenges, Precious Blood Renewal Center will offer a four-session discussion to examine the roots of racism in our culture and our place in it. These sessions are primarily for white people who want to be allies with people of color.

When one group benefits from the oppression of another, everyone suffers. No one escapes the negative effects of an unjust system. As St. Paul said in his letter to the Corinthians: If one part of the body suffers, every part suffers with it.

We will explore the meaning of: White Identity, White Privilege, White Fragility, and White Supremacy. Our goal is to provide basic onramps to get you started on the bridge-building journey.

Use the form below to register. After you register, we will contact you with information on how to get your workbook and how to connect via Zoom. We can help you get into Zoom if you need help with that.

Racial issues are just plain hard. And it's actually through a resource of community in which you begin to feel you have more personal strength to take on these issues in a real way in your life.

— Jackie Lynn Frens, a Being the Bridge member

*"We've just forgotten that we belong to each other."* — *St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta* 

You can learn more about the program here: **<u>Be the Bridge to Racial Unity</u>**.

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