

April 2015

Anti-racism Transformational Team of The Pittsburgh Presbytery

The Anti-racism Task Force of the Amos 5:24 Ministry Team is recruiting 20 - 24 members to serve 4 years on the Transformational Team (TT), which will be charged with bringing to Presbytery specific proposals for dismantling systemic racism within the Pittsburgh Presbytery, its congregations, and the communities in which we live as followers of Christ.

The Transformational Team will be an organized, strategic, and extensively trained team prepared to advocate for systemic structural change. Because racism is a systemic problem, structured into institutions, the antidote needs to be structured into institutions as well. Our vision is that all might live in unity and peace, regardless of race, gender, ethnicity or income, and love one another as Christ loves us.

Members of the TT will have 1 year of training (outlined below) and then serve a 3-year term. There will be 12 days of training in 2015 and 2016. Attendance at all trainings is mandatory and will be at no cost to the participants. Additionally, there will be regular meetings and work assignments in 2015/16 in addition to training as determined by the training and TT members.

- Saturday, September 19, 2015, 8 AM - 6 PM, at Pittsburgh Presbytery
- Wednesday through Saturday, October 21-24, 2015, 8 AM - 6 PM, at Presbytery
- Monday through Wednesday, February 15-17, 2016, 8 AM - 6 PM, at Presbytery
- Tuesday through Thursday, April 12-14, 2016, 8 AM - 6 PM, at Presbytery
- 1 day (8 hour) workshop TBD by the Team in May or June 2016

For a more thorough understanding of the team's mission, development, and work, please see the 4-page attachment "Creation of the Anti-racism Transformational Team of the Pittsburgh Presbytery."

The team will have members of diverse race, age and gender. The members will be dedicated to the time commitment, and a candidate with any of the following abilities, in addition to a deep commitment to anti-racism work, will be a strong contribution to the team: fundraising, strategizing and analyzing skills, effective oral and written communication, and networking (contacts and influence within congregations and communities).

The application may be found online with this web address: <http://goo.gl/forms/Hs8TuVR000>

Hard copy applications may be requested by contacting us at tapplicationpgh@gmail.com or calling 412-370-3691. Hard copy completed applications may be delivered to: Pittsburgh Presbytery, 901 Allegheny Ave, Pittsburgh PA 15233, Attn: Transformational Team application

Racial justice work calls for a reordering of life, a dismantling of unjust structures, and an invitation to consider our complicity in systemic forms of oppression. We invite you to prayerfully consider joining us in this awesome task.

Thank you,

The Anti-racism Task Force of the Amos 5:24 Ministry Team
"Let justice roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream"