>>>>COMING APRIL 20, 2017<<<<<

RACE: The POWER of an ILLUSION

RACIAL EQUITY AWARENESS LEARNING EXCHANGES

WHY?

- * Jesus calls us to love God and love neighbor.
- * Racial justice is an ongoing focus of United Methodist Women mission work.
- * We are called to live out the Charter for Racial Justice in our communities.
- * Racial disproportionality and disparity occur in Iowa.

WHAT?

RACE: The POWER of an ILLUSION (RPI) is a one-day guided educational experience that brings people from various backgrounds together to begin "courageous conversations" as they explore intersections of race, equity, and child welfare guided by trained facilitators using a variety of resources.

TIME? 8:45 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. on Thursday, April 20th

COST? Learning Exchange is FREE! PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED & LIMITED TO THE FIRST 32 TO CONTACT RITA CARTER!

> There will be a <u>free-will donation for lunch</u> (or bring your own). <

WHO? Faith community pastors, staff & members—not limited to United Methodists or United Methodist Women; foster parents, child advocates and professionals; other interested community members are welcome!

(0.5 UMC CEUs, SW CEUs, & foster parent credit hours are available.)

WHEN & WHERE?

Thursday, April 20, 2017 Salem United Methodist Church 14955 Somerset Ave, Council Bluffs, IA

Driving Directions: Located SW of Council Bluffs & east of I-80/I-29 interchange.

Salem UMC is just south of Hwy 92.

Local church contact: Irene Dodder, irenedodder01@gmail.com (712-328-3206)

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Contact Rita Carter, <u>ritaac@mchsi.com</u> or 515-979-0605 by April 10th, please.