

# Current Reading Program Titles

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14 Cows for America by Carmen Agra Deedy & Wilson Kimeli Naiyomah

50 Women Every Christian Should Know, by Michelle DeRusha

A Country for All – An Immigrant Manifesto, by Jorges Ramos

A Faithful Heart: Daily Guide for Joyful Living, by Sally Dyck

A Girl Called Problem, by Katie Quirk

A History of Religion in 5 ½ Objects, by S. Brent Plate

A History of the Romani People, by Hristo Kyuchukov

A Hopeful Earth – Faith, Science, and the Message of Jesus, by Sally Dyke & Sarah Ehrman

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A Native American Thought of It, by Rocky Landon

A Place at the Table, by Chris Seay

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A Waist Is a Terrible Thing to Mind, by Karen Scalf Linamen

Across Many Mountains, by Yangzom Brauen

Adventure of Ascent, by Luci Shaw

Against A Tide of Evil, by Mukesh Kapila

Agatha's Feather Bed, by Carman Agra Deedy

Ahimsa, by Supriya Kelkar

All Around Us, by Xelena González

All Creation Sings: The Voice of God in Nature, by J Ellsworth Kalas

All The Colors We Are – The Story Of How We Get Our Skin Color, by Katie Kissinger

Allow God to Wear Your Face: Spiritual Care for Those Who Are Ill, by Alice G. Knotts

Alone and Invisible No More, by Allan S. Teel, M.D.

Amazing Faces, by Lee Bennett Hopkins

America and Its Guns, by James E Atwood **B**

Americanah, by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

America's Original Sin, by Jim Wallis

An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States, by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz

An Invisible Thread by Laura Schroff

An Insider's Guide To Praying For The World, by Brian C. Stiller

Asylum Denied, by David Nagaruri Kenney & Philip G. Schrag

Awake: Doing A World of Good One Person at a Time, by Noel Brewer Yeats



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Bamboo People, Mitali Perkins  
Be Still – Departure From Collective Madness, by Gordon C. Stewart And Eric Ringham  
Beaded Hope, by Cathy Liggett  
Because Amelia Smiled by, David Ezra Stein  
Because He Lives, by Catherine Ritch Guess **B**  
Because I Am a Girl: I Can Change the World, by Rosemary McCarney  
Becoming a Justice Seeking Congregation, by McElvaney  
Before We Eat: From Farm to Table, by Pat Brisson  
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Blue Gold, by Elizabeth Stewart  
Born on Third Base, by Chuck Collins  
Boundless, by Bryan Bishop  
Branded, by Eric Walters  
Break the Cycle: Healing From an Abusive Relationship, by Tracy Deitz  
Breathe, by Nicole Braddock Bromley  
Broken and Blessed, by Jessica LaGrone  
Building a Movement to End The New Jim Crow, by Daniel Hunter  
Bully.com, by Joe Lawlor  
Bury Me Standing: The Gypsies and Their Journey, by Isabel Fonseca  
Bus to Corinth, by Ladine Housholder

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Change the World: Recovering the Message and Mission of Jesus, by Mike Slaughter  
Chasing Chaos, by Jessica Alexander  
Chasing the Divine in the Holy Land, by Ruth Everhart  
Christ Walk with Kids, by Anna Fitch Courie  
Class Lives, by Chuck Collins  
Coaltown Jesus, by Ron Koertge  
Coffee, Tea and Holy Water: One Woman's Journey, by Amanda Hudson  
Color-Blind: The Rise of Post-racial Politics and the Retreat From Racial Equity, by Tim Wise  
Courage Is Abundant In The Abstract: Take Your Dreams From Abstract To Reality, by Selena Einwechter  
Crazy, by Linda Vigen Phillips  
Creative Aging: Rethinking Retirement and Non-retirement in a Changing World, by Bankson  
Cry of the Giraffe, by Judie Oron  
Cured But Not Healed: How to Experience Deeper Faith, by Kymberly Clemons-Jones

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Dear White America: A Letter to a New Minority, by Tim Wise  
Deep Denial – The Persistence Of White Supremacy In United States History And Life, by David Billings  
Deep In the Sahara, by Kelly Cunnane & Hoda Hadadi  
Detained and Deported, by Margaret Regan  
Do All Lives Matter? by Wayne Gordon & John M. Perkins  
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Do it Anyway – The New Generation of Activists, by Courtney E. Martin  
Dreamers: An Immigrant Generation's Fight for Their American Dream, by Eileen Truax  
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