

Community Reentry: Next Steps

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JustDane

- Web: <https://justdane.org/>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/JustDaneMadison/>

Madison Area Jail Ministry (MAJM)

- Web: <https://www.madisonjailministry.org/>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/madisonjailministry/>

Nehemiah

- Web: <https://nehemiah.org/>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NehemiahMadison/>

MOSES the Madison affiliate of [WISDOM](https://www.wisdom.org/)

- Web: <https://nehemiah.org/>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MOSESMadisonWI/>

EXPO (Ex Incarcerated People Organizing)

- Web: <https://actionnetwork.org/groups/expo-ex-prisoners-organizing>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/expowisconsin/>

Messiah Lutheran Racial Justice Team

- Join: Join our team by contacting Tracy Frank 608-220-7999 or jtracyfrank@me.com
- Facebook: Search for Messiah Racial Justice Team and ask to join the group

Bethel Lutheran A CALL TO JUSTICE AND MERCY (ACTJAM)

- Web: bethel-madison.org/ACTJAM; download Bethelite at bethel-madison.org
- Email: actjam@bethel-madison.org

EVENTS

NOVEMBER 9: Join **JustDane** and the U.W. Memorial Union Distinguished Lecture Series on November 9 @ 6:30 pm in Shannon Hall/UW Memorial Union for a discussion with **Dr Reuben Miller**, author of **Halfway Home**, about the unjust justice system and the barriers faced by citizens integrating to the community after incarceration. The registration link to the free event will be live on October 25 at justdane.org/category/justdane-news/

As a chaplain at the Cook County Jail in Chicago and as a sociologist studying mass incarceration, Dr. Reuben Jonathan Miller has spent years alongside prisoners, formerly incarcerated people, their families, and their friends to understand the lifelong burden that even a single arrest can entail. What his work reveals is a simple, if overlooked truth: life after incarceration is its own form of prison. Miller's new book is a portrait of the many ways mass incarceration reaches into American life, sustaining structural racism and redrawing the boundaries of our democracy. It aptly describes the challenges that nearly all of JustDane's participants face.

NOVEMBER 21: MESSIAH LUTHERAN TED Talk Discussion Opportunity

The next opportunity the Messiah Racial Justice Team is offering is Sunday, November 21 between the early and late church services from 9:20-10:20 AM.

We will watch and discuss the TED talk **The Danger of a Single Story** in which novelist Chimamanda Adichie tells the story of how she found her authentic cultural voice. Our lives and our cultures are composed of many overlapping stories. She warns that if we hear only a single story about another person or country, we risk a critical misunderstanding.

The opportunity will be offered in person in the conference room as well as over Zoom. No registration required. The link to join the meeting is <https://madison-k12-wi-us.zoom.us/j/98249555208>.

Plan to log on between 9:10-9:20 so we can make sure all the tech is working. If you want to attend over Zoom and this is new technology for you, contact Elizabeth at familyministry@messiahchurch.com for some Zoom tech tips.

RESOURCES

Film: A NEW DAY 1: The Journey Begins - This 30-minute documentary plus discussion guide from Prison Fellowship follows Hajee, Alona, and Jason as they leave prison and face significant barriers to housing, employment, and other needs.

<https://www.prisonfellowship.org/campaigns/a-new-day-1-documentary/>

Book: HALFWAY HOME: Race, Punishment, and the Afterlife of Mass Incarceration by Reuben Jonathan Miller. (See above under EVENTS)

Paper: THE WISCONSIN COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS STORY from the Columbia University Justice Lab, 2019.

<https://justicelab.columbia.edu/sites/default/files/content/Wisconsin%20Community%20Corrections%20Story%20final%20online%20copy.pdf>