

The White Manifesto, Plea and Petition
Suggested by a Black Brother in the Spirit of Love
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We, the white citizens of the United States of America, declare the end of racial oppression and policies and practices based on the assumptions of white supremacy and domination over people of color and the subjugation of groups of people based on race, class, religion and sexual orientation.

We are determined to repair the damage done to oppressed minorities, and to erase the remnants of bigoted attitudes and economic and social inequities reflective of our history of brutal dehumanization and ethnic subjugation. In addition to our effort to close the chapters of our racist past, we will diligently work to promote the spirit of mutuality and collaborative action to build a society dedicated to the freedom and justice of all.

We are not unaware of the cost of pursuing the aforementioned objectives, but we trust the God of the Universe to accept our partnership in these endeavors and to enable us to find the strength to keep faith with our resolve to do justly, love mercy and to walk humbly with our God and with our fellow human beings.

Our action is based on a firm conviction that 400 years is far too long to perpetrate a system of violent hatred and genocidal brutalization of God's children of color.

We now solemnly confess that the unpardonable sins that we have committed, conspired with, or continued to benefit from have been blasphemous, offensive against the God of creation.

We sincerely plead with you for mercy and humbly petition divine providence to restore the humanity we lost in the nefarious, outrageous transgressions of the racist sins of the centuries.

We pray from the depths of our hearts to be granted a place in the restoration of humanity, and the building of the beloved community which was envisioned from the dawn of creation.

These sentiments are humbly submitted, relying upon the love of God revealed to countless traditions of faith and the saving grace offered to all members of the human race.