

Reexamining Racism and Anti-Semitism
Tuesdays October 16 and October 30
7:00-9:00 PM
Germantown Jewish Centre

Many of you told us how valuable you found last spring's Granger Shabbat program on this topic and we are pleased to welcome back our speakers, **Dr. Howard Stevenson and Rabbi Mordechai Leibling** for a two-part workshop which will examine the issues in greater depth.

Through historical exploration, personal storytelling and experiential exercises, we will learn about the effects of racism and anti-Semitism on individuals and our society. Participants will be exposed to concepts of racial literacy and racial stress and how to reduce it. The intent is to work at the levels of heart, mind and spirit.

Some of the issues we will examine include:

- The depth of racism in American culture
- Internalized oppression and intergenerational trauma
- How anti-Semitism works
- The meaning of white privilege and Jews' complicated relationship to it
- The history of Black-Jewish relations in the US

Speakers:

Dr. Howard Stevenson is the Constance Clayton Professor of Urban Education, Professor of Africana Studies, in the Human Development & Quantitative Methods Division of the Graduate School of Education at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Stevenson is Executive Director of the Racial Empowerment Collaborative, a program that brings together community leaders, researchers, families, and youth to study and promote racial literacy and health in schools and neighborhoods. He is also Director of Forward Promise, a national program providing philanthropic support for organizations designed to improve the health of boys and young men of color and their families and to help them heal from the trauma of historical and present-day dehumanization and discrimination.

Rabbi Mordechai E. Liebling is the director of the newly created Social Justice Organizing Program at the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College. He served as the executive vice president of Jewish Funds for Justice, and was the executive director of the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation. Rabbi Liebling was a member of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations for 12 years. He has served on the boards of various national and international non-profit organizations. He serves on the boards of the Faith and Politics Institute and Rabbis for Human Rights-North America, and is the president emeritus of the Shalom Center.

Interested?

Participants are asked to commit to both sessions. Space is limited so please sign up as soon as possible
Price: \$40 for two sessions, including light refreshments.

To Register:

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