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Introductory Info

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Please identify whether you are answering this survey as a representative of an entire diocese or as a church or institution: Church or Institution

If Church or Institution, please identify which kind of Episcopal entity you represent: Congregation

Section One: Telling the Truth About Our Churches and Race, including Truth and Reconciliation Processes (TRUTH)

Check all the Truth-telling ministries with which your diocese, congregation or institution has engaged over the last 12 months: Not Yet Engaged

Please describe the efforts related to the boxes checked above: As a newly designated lay ministry, we are still in the early stages of building an enduring program for spiritual formation and community action.

Has your diocese, congregation or institution or entity in recent years engaged in a Truth and Reconciliation process, understood to be: (please check all that apply) Not yet engaged

Please describe these Truth and Reconciliation process efforts:	We expect to begin exploring our congregation's historic role in racial injustice in the coming year.
Has your diocese, congregation or institution organized a commission, working group or other regular meetings to work on a Truth and Reconciliation process?	No
Have Episcopal entities pursuing Truth and Reconciliation hosted events and webinars or produced any documents, testimonials, reports or other content?	I Don't Know
If your diocese, congregation or institution has not begun to pursue a Truth and Reconciliation process, have leaders expressed interest in starting such work?	Yes
What assistance or resources would help you to take the next steps around Truth and Reconciliation?	The resources on the National website are terrific and all that we need at this point. Our next steps include identifying the core group of parishioners to spearhead the work.

Section Two: Proclaiming the Dream of Beloved Community (PROCLAMATION)

Check all the Proclaiming the Dream ministries with which your diocese, congregation or institution has engaged during the last 12 months: (check all that apply)	<p>Participate in local or regional efforts to examine the history of race and racism</p> <p>Participate in efforts to generate a local or regional vision for racial healing</p>
Please describe the efforts related to the boxes checked above:	<p>We have joined the Diocesan Commission on Dismantling Racism and are actively engaged with its efforts to examine the history of race and racism within our diocese.</p> <p>We have added an annual Racial Reconciliation Quiet Morning to our church calendar. The Quiet Morning proclaims our call to racial reconciliation and includes homilies, prayer, and personal reflection.</p>
What assistance or resources would help you to take the next steps around Proclaiming the Dream?	The resources on the National website are terrific and all that we need at this time.

Section Three: Practicing Jesus's Healing Way (FORMATION)

Check all the Practicing the Way ministries with which your diocese or entity has engaged during the last 12 months: (check all that apply)	<p>Sacred Ground dialogue circles</p> <p>Anti-racism or dismantling racism training</p>
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Please describe the efforts related to the boxes checked above: We have dipped our toes into Sacred Ground and anti-racism training, and expect to increase participation in the coming year.

What assistance or resources would help you to take the next steps around Practicing the Way? The resources on the National website are terrific and all that we need at this time.

Section Four: Repairing the Breach in Institutions and Society (JUSTICE)

Check all the church-wide Repairing the Breach efforts with which your diocese, congregation or institution has engaged during the last 12 months: None of the above

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Reimagining Policing and Criminal Justice Reform”? Not yet engaged

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Prison Ministries or Re-entry Ministries,” that is, supporting persons re-entering community following incarceration? Not yet engaged

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Refugee Ministries”? Not yet engaged

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Immigration Reform”? Not yet engaged

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Education Equity,” including support for Historically Black Colleges and Universities and partnering with under-resourced schools primarily serving students of color? Local engagement

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Housing Equity” for/with communities and People of Color? Local engagement

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Economic Opportunity” for/with communities and People of Color? Not yet engaged

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Environmental Racism and Eco-justice”?

Not yet engaged

At what levels is your diocese, congregation or institution engaging with “Reparations for Racial Justice”?

Not yet engaged

Please describe the efforts related to the boxes checked above:

The Church of St. Michael and St. George is a community partner with Sumner High School in the City of St. Louis, the first African American high school west of the Mississippi, and as such responds to the voiced needs of the school by connecting the school with needed community resources, donating to students and families, and advocating for change in policies that support inequity.

Conclusion
