

# EDUCATIONAL EQUITY

## WHAT CAN I DO AT MY HOUSE OF WORSHIP?



### UNDERSTANDING

Utilize these resources:

- **Amy Hawn Nelson's power point presentation**  
[http://www.meckmin.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/AHN\\_Does-Isolation-Matter\\_8-24-15\\_Finalish.pdf](http://www.meckmin.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/AHN_Does-Isolation-Matter_8-24-15_Finalish.pdf)
- **Video presentation on "Does Isolation Matter? Creating a Covenant Community"**  
[http://www.focalpointav.com/meckmin/Does\\_Isolation\\_Matter\\_HD.mp4](http://www.focalpointav.com/meckmin/Does_Isolation_Matter_HD.mp4)
- **Article by Sam Fulwood**  
<https://www.americanprogress.org/issues/race/news/2015/09/02/120462/returning-home-to-an-odd-mixture-of-progress-and-retreat/>
- **MeckMin resources**  
<http://www.meckmin.org/educationalequity/>
- **Articles by Ann Doss Helms**  
charlotteobserver.com
- **Book by Frye Gallard**  
History: The Dream Long Deferred



### COMPASSION

**Volunteer at your faith community's partner school or a Title 1 school.**

Develop relationships with the school staff and children. Listen and learn.

**Seek out resources to read and learn about this complex topic.**

Share information in your faith community, neighborhood, workplace, and other organizations.

**Organize a class at your house of worship and share your knowledge and understanding.**

Email Lisa Howell for information to use in conducting a class on this topic: [lisaruns@carolina.rr.com](mailto:lisaruns@carolina.rr.com)

**Encourage conversations with others around this topic.**

Ask your faith community leader to speak about educational equity.

**Does your house of worship support a non-profit that serves children and families?**

Talk with them about how educational inequity impacts the children you serve together.



### JUSTICE

**Call for equitable funding for high quality choices for all students.**

Let School Board members know that you value quality education for all children and support their efforts to create educational equity in CMS.

**Consider your choices for your children.**

Can you come together with other parents and support a high poverty school by sending your own children to that school and becoming involved as parents?

**What does your faith tradition say about public education?**

Advocate for your faith community to become involved in calling for equitable schools in our community.

**Find valuable advocacy information at these websites:**

- OneMeck.org
- Public School Forum of NC: [ncforum.org](http://ncforum.org)
- MeckEd.org