

2024 – 2019 Education for Mission

Selections may be from the 2024 – 2019 Reading lists if not included in previous reports, children and youth titles may be read for credit in all plans of the Reading Program.

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30 Days with E Stanley Jones: Global Preacher, Social Justice Prophet.

John Harnish. Read The Spirit Books. 2022.

Dive into 30 short, inspiring true stories about the life of E. Stanley Jones (1884-1973), described as the “greatest missionary since Saint Paul” in his day. Twice nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize for his ministry work in India, Jones was an author, statesman, interfaith leader, and a spokesman for peace, racial inclusion, and social justice. His work brought him into close contact with Mahatma Gandhi and other Indian leaders, and his writings are said to have influenced Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s nonviolent approach to injustice. Here, Harnish illustrates the timeless, loving wisdom that Jones believed lay at the core of Christianity.

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The 1619 Project: A New Origin Story

Nikole Hannah-Jones. Random House/One World. 2021. (Adults)

Wayne Co. Library clevnet: 4 MP3, Overdrive Listen 2021. 9 HTML, Adobe, EPub, Kindle 2021. 197 print copies.

The 1619 Project is an exploration of the meaning and overall impact of slavery on American life. Produced in August 2019, the 400-year anniversary of the arrival of the first enslaved people to Virginia, it retells United States history through essays, photos, and podcasts. Ultimately, The 1619 Project addresses the impact of slavery on the nation’s foundational ideals, economy, health care system, racial segregation, music, and more, examining the systems of race and caste that still operate in America today.

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The Book of Rosy: A Mother’s Story of Separation at the Border.

Rosayra Pablo Cruz and Julie Schwieter. Harperone. 2020.

Wayne Co. Library clevnet: 1 HTML, Adobe EPub, Kindle 2020, 1 MP3, Overdrive Listen 2020, 21 print copies.

This wrenching story shares the plight of the many families separated at the United States and Mexico border. Here, Rosayra “Rosy” Pablo Cruz pens her agonizing tale of seeking asylum in the U.S. after fleeing her home country of Guatemala with her two young boys. After the brutal journey, they arrived at the Arizona border—only to be seized and forcibly separated under the Department of Homeland Security’s new “zero tolerance” policy. She shares her painful but inspiring story about the cruelty of detention and the unbearable agony of being separated from her children in a strange land.

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Defiant: What the Women of Exodus Teach Us About Freedom.

Kelly Nikondera. Eerdmans. 2020.

Wayne Co. Public clevnet: 1 print copy. 1 HTML, Adobe, EPub, Kindle 2020.

The women of Exodus defied Pharaoh, raised Moses, and plundered Egypt. They summoned courage, harnessed intelligence, and gathered resources to enact justice in many small ways and overturned an empire. Today, women find themselves in similar circumstances. Defiant reflects on the resistance literature of Exodus and what it has to offer women, as well as the deep work women do to create conditions for liberation in their church, community, and country. Nikondeha shares how what the women of Exodus accomplished under the oppression of Pharaoh might unlock for us as we imagine our mandate under modern systems of injustice.

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The Death and Life of Aida Hernandez: A Border Story

Aaron Borrow-Strain. Farrar, Straus and Giroux/Picador. 2019.

Wayne Co. Public clevnet: 15 print copies.

This book tells the story of a Mexican teen mother, Aida, journeying through the U.S. immigration system and the obstacles she faces. Aida was born in Mexico in 1987. When Aida was 8 years old, her mother took her and her siblings to live in Arizona, where she grew up undocumented. After her deportation, Aida found herself in a Mexican city marked by violence, in a country not hers, and separated from her son. To get back to the United States and reunite with her son, she embarked on a harrowing journey, enduring detention centers, immigration courts, and more.

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Child, Church and Mission

Dan Brewster. The Pfdion Mission. 2014.

Penned by longtime Compassion International child ministry expert Dan Brewster, this book addresses the topic of ministry to children in totality, ultimately focusing on the most critical issues and needs. It practically examines how to reach, equip, and empower children to maximize their transformational impact and mobilize them for continuing impact throughout the rest of their lives. As Brewster notes, God often accomplishes the work of the kingdom of God through the very special abilities of the children. The book is lauded as a resource for ministers, seminarians, teachers, and other child advocates. Book available in Korean, some also available in English.

2024 Education for Mission – Bonus Book [2 books in Education for Mission]

I'm Black, I'm Christian, I'm Methodist

Rudy Rasmus, Editor. Abingdon Press.

In this book, edited by Dr. Rudy Rasmus, personal narratives from 10 men and women reveal the distinct struggles of being Black in the church, facing both historic and modern racism. While the essays each begin with the central identities of Black, Christian, and Methodist, they also represent different journeys of confronting centuries of White supremacy in religious and secular institutions. Weaving together autobiography and spiritual formation, they represent a significant contribution to our theological understanding of racism.

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How Beautiful We Were: A Novel.

Imbolo Mbue. Random House. 2021.

Wayne Co. Public clevnet: 2 HTML, Adobe, EPub, Kindle 2021. 83 print copies. 8 Audio disc.

What happens when the reckless drive for profit, coupled with the ghost of colonialism, comes up against one community's determination to hold on to its ancestral land? In *How Beautiful We Were*, a fearless young woman, Thula, from the small fictional African village of Kosawa, starts a revolution against an American oil company. In Kosawa, the people have been living in fear because of the environmental degradation there, from pipeline spills harming farmlands to children dying from drinking toxic water. Left with few choices, the people of Kosawa decide to fight back.

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The House That Love Built: Why I Opened My Door to Immigrants and How We Found Hope Beyond a Broken System.

Sarah Jackson. Zondervan. 2020.

Wayne Co. Public clevnet: 6 print copies.

What does it mean to love our neighbor? That is the question at the heart of this story, authored by one woman who experienced transformation after she opened her home to immigrants. Once, Jackson thought immigration justice was administered through walls and fences. Then she met a deported young father separated from his U.S.-citizen family, and everything changed. As she began to meet families ravaged by threats in their homeland, biblical justice took on a new meaning. The work she began through Casa de Paz joined the Christian tradition of hospitality, shining light on what it means to love our neighbor.

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Apple: Skin To the Core

Eric Gansworth. Levine Querido. 2020.

Wayne Co. Public clevnet: 3 HTML, Adobe, EPub, Kindle 2020. 25 print copies. 4 Audio disc. 1 Sound recording.

In many Native American communities, the term "apple" is a racial slur referring to a person who is "Red on the outside, White on the inside," meaning one who looks like an Indigenous person but acts "White." In this bittersweet but inspiring poetic memoir, the author reclaims the term, transforming the slur through the retelling of his own narrative. An Onondaga writer and visual artist raised in the Tuscarora Nation, Gansworth explores the terrible legacy of government boarding schools and addresses identity and belonging as he struggles with appropriation, language, family ties, friendship, feeling lost, and leaving home for college. Suitable for upper youth or adult.

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Let Your Light Shine: Mobilizing for Justice with Children and Youth

Reginald Blount and Virginia Lee. Friendship Press. 2019.

What can we do about the plethora of harsh situations children face today, such as broken immigration policies, hunger, school shootings, mass incarceration, human trafficking, and failing schools? Advocacy might well be the answer. This collection of writings on advocacy for children and theological education mobilizes readers by educating about the history and goals of the Children's Defense Fund, including the passion of founder Marian Wright Edelman. Child advocacy is also woven throughout the book with religious core values, illuminating the faith aspect of helping children have a voice. The book also covers the Freedom Schools movement of the 1960s, as well as the CDF's contemporary Freedom Schools.

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Invisible Child: Poverty, Survival, and Hope in an American City.

Andrea Elliot. Random House. 2021.

Wayne County Public clevnet: 104 Print copies. 11 HTML, Adobe, EPub, Kindle. 21 MP3, Overdrive Listen 2021.

The winner of the J. Anthony Lukas Book Prize and a finalist for the Bernstein Award, this book follows eight dramatic years in the life of Dasani, a precocious and imaginative girl living in a homeless shelter in Brooklyn. Elliott weaves the story of Dasani's childhood with the history of her ancestors, tracing their passage from slavery to the Great Migration north. As Dasani comes of age, New York City's homeless crisis has exploded, deepening the chasm between rich and poor. She must guide her siblings through a world riddled by hunger, violence, racism, drug addiction, and the threat of foster care.

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The 1619 Project: Born on the Water

Nikole Hannah-Jones. Kokila. 2021. Children.

Wayne Co. Library clevnet: 3 MP3, Overdrive Listen. 5 HTML, Kindle. 78 print copies.

Hannah-Jones collaborated with children's book author Renée Watson to produce this companion piece. A children's picture book written in verse, it serves to help young people understand the important concepts addressed in the original—notably, the impact of slavery on American's foundational principles. In the children's version, the book explores a perspective from a young Black girl tasked in school to draw a flag that represents her ancestral land. At first, she doesn't understand her family's past, but soon the girl talks with her grandmother and learns the truth about her lineage.

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They Called Us Enemy

George Takei. Top Shelf Productions. 2019. Youth.

Wayne Co. Library clevnet: 5 HTML, kindle 2020. 57 print copies.

This New York Times bestselling graphic novel is a memoir detailing the childhood of George Takei, actor, author, and activist. Takei spent his childhood imprisoned with his family within American concentration camps during World War II. They Called Us Enemy is his firsthand account of those years behind barbed wire, the experience of growing up under legalized racism, his mother's hard choices, his father's faith in democracy, and the way those experiences planted the seeds for his astonishing future.

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Thirty Talks Weird Love

Alessandra N. Varela. Cinco Puntos Press. 2021. Youth

Wayne Co. library clevnet: 13 print copies.

This is a moving story of a girl on the cusp of womanhood who learns to empathize with others—and ultimately to care for herself. Thirteen-year-old Anamaría is struggling both with depression and with understanding what's truly important as she grows up in Ciudad Juárez, México. Enter her 30-year-old self, who pays a surprise visit to Anamaría. Anamaría doesn't want to trust this stranger, who insists she's from the future. Meanwhile, she's mourning the tragedy plaguing her city—the disappearance of young girls and women that is becoming increasingly common.

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Blue: A History of the Color as Deep as the Sea and as Wide as the Sky.

Nana Ekua Brew-Hammond. Knopf Books for Young Readers. 2022. Children
Wayne Co. Library clevnet: 1 HTML, Kindle. 33 print copies.

This riveting exploration of culture and history traces the journey of the color through time and across the globe. The color blue has been long sought-after, from the mass quantities of sapphire rocks ground by ancient Afghan painters, to the snails harvested in Eurasia for the tiny bits of blue contained in their bodies, to the indigo grown as a cash crop on the backs of African slaves. In this beautifully rendered children's book, discover a history of the color as deep as the sea and as wide as the sky.

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Cycle of Rice, Cycle of Life: A Story of Sustainable Farming.

Jan Reynolds. Lee & Low Books. 2021. Children.
Wayne Co. Library clevnet: 1 print copy.

From award-winning author and National Geographic photographer Jan Reynolds comes the Spanish-language version of her remarkable and illustrative photography book, skillfully and beautifully detailing the ancient ritual of the cycle of water and the cycle of rice in Bali from temples to fields and from seeds to rice-bearing plants. Woven throughout is information on Balinese spiritual ritual practices and the dangers of overproduction into the explanation of this tiny but powerful grain. Readers come away with a poignant and critical message on responsible stewardship.

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The Mangrove Tree: Planting Trees to Feed Families

Susan L. Roth and Cindy Trumbore. Lee & Low Books. 2021. Children.
Wayne Co. Library clevnet: 8 print copies.

Now available in both English and Spanish, Susan L. Roth and Cindy Trumbore's *The Mangrove Tree* uses powerful prose and pictures to capture this poignant look at an ecological innovation project in the village of Hargigo in the impoverished African nation of Eritrea. The book details Dr. Gordon Sato's idea to plant mangrove trees there, which grow easily in salt water, ultimately providing profound longterm benefits for the community. Also included are many photographs of Sato and the people of Hargigo, bringing their inspiring story into real-world perspective.

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Stepping Stones: A Refugee Family's Journey

Margriet Ruurs. Orca Book Publishers. 2016. Children.
Wayne Co. Library clevnet: 16 print copies. 1 HTML copy. 1 MP3 Overdrive Listen.

This dual-language (English/Arabic) book shares the story of a young girl, Rama, who with her multigenerational family is forced to flee her once-peaceful village to escape the ravages of civil war. The book was inspired by the stone artwork of Syrian artist Nizar Ali Badr, discovered by chance by Canadian writer Margriet Ruurs, who has authored more than 40 children's books. The author was impressed with Badr's work and, using many of his already-created pieces, set out to create a story about the Syrian refugee crisis, allowing the human side of the situation to speak louder than the political.

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Being Sheela: The Life journey of an Immigration Lawyer. Adithi Rao. Harper Collins India. 2020.

A young mother separated from her children for eight long years; a man facing deportation after being mistaken for a terrorist; a woman forced to endure domestic violence so she can retain her right to remain in her adopted country—these are just a few of the thousands immigration lawyer Sheela Murthy has helped in her long career as a philanthropist. From her birth in India through law school at Harvard and starting one of the world’s most successful immigration law firms, Adithi Rao explores the journey of a woman driven to help others overcome injustice, dispossession, and legal tangles so they may live a life of dignity in an increasingly challenging world.

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The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek – Novel. Kim Michele Richardson. Sourcebooks Landmark. 2019.

Inspired by the true blue-skinned people of Kentucky and the dedicated Kentucky Pack Horse library service of the 1930s, this bestselling historical novel follows packhorse librarian Cussy Mary Carter and her quest to bring books to Troublesome Creek. The last of her kind, her skin a shade of blue unlike most anyone else, Cussy has to confront prejudice as old as the Appalachias and suspicion as deep as the holler to bring the joy of books to the hill folks. *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* is a story of raw courage, fierce strength, and one woman’s belief that books can carry us anywhere—even back home.

Wayne Co. Library clevnet – 13 Electronic: HTML, ADOBE, EPUB, KINDLE. 37 print copies.

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How Far Do You Love Me? Lulu Delacre. Lee & Low Books. 2021.

This unique bedtime book by award-winning author-illustrator Lulu Delacre features a game that highlights the universal love between caregivers and children while taking readers on a journey across the seven continents of earth. Based on a bedtime game Delacre played with her young daughters, is an I love you book with a twist. With every expression of love, readers visit a different location around the world, each a beautifully illustrated scene of caregivers and children in a place of natural beauty. Suitable for children.

Wayne Co. Library clevnet – 5 print copies.

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“I Am a Man” Chief Standing Bear’s Journey for Justice. Joe Starita. St. Martin’s Griffin. 2010.

In 1877, Chief Standing Bear’s Ponca Indian tribe was forcibly removed from their Nebraska homeland and marched to Indian Territory (now Oklahoma), in what became the tribe’s own Trail of Tears. “I Am a Man” chronicles what happened when Standing Bear set off on a 600-mile walk to return the body of his only son to their traditional burial ground. Along the way, it examines the complex relationship between the United States government and the small, peaceful tribe and the legal consequences of land swaps and broken treaties, while never losing sight of the heartbreaking journey the Ponca endured. *It also explores fundamental issues of citizenship, constitutional protection, cultural identity, and democracy—issues that continue to resonate loudly today.*

Wayne Co. Library clevnet – 2 print copies.

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Pachinko – Novel. Min Jin Lee. Grand Central Publishing. 2017.

Among New York Times Top Ten Books of the Year and National Book Award finalist, this novel details the four generations of an immigrant family as they fight to control their destiny in 20th-century Japan. When teenaged Sunja discovers she is pregnant—and her lover is married—she accepts an offer of marriage from a gentle, sickly minister passing through Korea on his way to Japan. But her decision sets off a dramatic saga that echoes through the generations. From bustling street markets to the halls of Japan’s finest universities to the pachinko parlors of the criminal underworld, Lee’s complex and passionate characters survive and thrive against the indifferent arc of history.

Wayne Co. Library clevnet – 31 print copies. 3 Electronic: HTML, ADOBE, EPUB, KINDLE. 7 MP3, OVERDRIVE LISTEN.

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Phoebe: A Story- Novel. Paula Gooder. Intervarsity Press. 2018.

When the apostle Paul wrote to the church in Rome around 56 AD, he entrusted his letter to Phoebe, the deacon of the church at Cenchreae. But who was this remarkable woman? In her debut novel, biblical scholar Paula Gooder tells Phoebe’s story—who she was, the life she lived, and her first-century faith—and in doing so opens up Paul’s theology, giving a sense of the cultural and historical pressures that shaped Paul’s thinking, and the faith of the early church.

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Stamped (For Kids): Racism, Antiracism, and You. Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi. Little Brown Books for Young Readers. 2021.

Adapted from the award-winning, bestselling *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You*, this book takes young readers on a journey from present to past and back again. Kids will discover where racist ideas came from, identify how they impact America today, and meet those who have fought racism with antiracism. Along the way, they’ll learn how to identify and stamp out racist thoughts in their own lives—and learn that talking about race is one of the most important things to learn how to do. Ibram X. Kendi’s research, Jason Reynolds’ and Sonja Cherry-Paul’s writing, and Rachelle Baker’s art come together in this vital read. Suitable for youth.

Wayne Co. Public clevnet : 65 print copies. 1 MPE, Overdrive Listen. 4 Electronic: HTML, Adobe, EPUB, Kindle. 7 Audiobook

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Super Cilantro Girl/La Supernina Del Cilantro. Juan Felipe Herrera and Illustrated by Hnorrio Robledo Tapia. Lee & Low Books. 2022.

Authored by former U.S. poet laureate Juan Felipe Herrera, this empowering story centers on a young girl who uses her superpowers to rescue her mamá from the United States-Mexico border. Young Esmeralda Sinfronteras eagerly waits for her mamá to come home from Mexico so the two of them can be together again. But when Esmeralda learns that that her mother is being kept at the United States-Mexico border, she decides to use her newfound powers to save Mamá herself. In a daring rescue, Esmeralda—now known as Super Cilantro Girl—finds her mother, evades the border patrol, and successfully reunites her family. Suitable for children.

Wayne Co. Public clevnet – 3 print copies.

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Susan Angeline Collins: With a Hallelujah Heart. Janis Bennington Van Buren. Westbow Press 2021. Years before Mary Jane McLeod Bethune started her school for girls in Florida, one Midwestern woman was steadily doing her part for girls in the northern Angolan high plateau. For more than three decades, African American missionary Susan Angeline Collins made a tremendous difference in the lives of countless African women and children, some orphaned and homeless and others escaping early marriage and subservience. Authored by retired professor Janis Bennington Van Buren, this book explores the remarkable service-oriented life of Collins from her 1851 birth in Illinois until her 1940 death in Iowa. Collins overcame economic, education, gender, race, religious, and other obstacles surrounding Africa's colonization to serve as a stalwart missionary, leader, teacher, nurse, construction manager, and surrogate mother to "her girls."

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Finding Jesus at the Border: Opening Our Hearts to Our Immigrant Neighbors. Julia Lambert Fogg. Brazos Press. 2020.

Summary: "A beautifully written, well-researched, painfully moving book" Interweaving biblical narratives of border crossing and stories of immigrants journeying to the United States, *Finding Jesus at the Border* invites Christians to reconsider the plight of their neighbors and respond with compassion to the immigration crisis.

Wayne Co. Library clevnet – 2 print copies.

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First and Only: A Black Woman's Guide to Thriving at Work and in Life. Jennifer R. Farmer. Broadleaf Books. 2021.

The path for success for Black women includes a commitment to self-care, spiritual growth, and a willingness to push for progress even as we fight for our own liberation. *First and Only* is not just about how to lean in, or how to discover the irrefutable laws of leadership. It's about how to heal so you can sustain work for justice and equity. It's about finding personal and social redemption--and leading others to find it too.

Wayne Co. Library clevnet - 6 print copies. 1 Electronic: PDF, HTML, ADOBE EPUB, KINDLE

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How to Be an Antiracist. Ibram X. Kendi. One World. 2019.

Kendi weaves an electrifying combination of ethics, history, law, and science, bringing it all together with an engaging personal narrative of his own awakening to antiracism. *How to Be an Antiracist* is an essential work for anyone who wants to go beyond an awareness of racism to the next step: contributing to the formation of a truly just and equitable society."

Wayne Co. Library clevnet – 13 Audiobook CD. 12 Largeprint. 118 Print copies. 119 Electronic: HTML, Adobe, EPUB, Kindle. 63 Electronic: MP3, Overdrive Listen.

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Metamorphosis: How to Transform Punishment in America. Robert A. Ferguson. Yale Univ. Press. 2018.

Bolstered by insights from hundreds of letters written by prisoners, Ferguson makes the case for an entirely new concept of prisons and their purpose: an "inner architectonics of reform" that will provide better education for all involved in prisons, more imaginative and careful use of technology, more sophisticated surveillance systems, and better accountability.

Wayne Co. Library clevnet – 2 Digital Format: Html, Adobe EPUB, Kindle.

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Shaking the Gates of Hell: Faith-Led Resistance to Corporate Globalization. Sharon Delgado. Fortress Press. 2020.

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One Dress. One Year: One Girl's Stand Against Human Trafficking. Bethany Winz with Susana Foth Aughtman. Baker Books 2016.

2021 Education for Mission

Gum Moon: A Novel of San Francisco Chinatown. Jeffrey L Staley. Self-Published. 2018.

In 1898, three-year-old Chinese-American girl Mei Chun Lai is sold to a cruel brothel keeper, where a sympathetic prostitute befriends her. Two years later, at the height of a plague quarantine, a young Methodist woman rescues Chun and places her in a home for abused and trafficked girls. The home is destroyed in the 1906 earthquake and fire. Chun (aka "Maud") and a group of seven other Chinese children embark on a cross-country singing tour to raise funds to rebuild. When their home matron suffers a breakdown, 13-year-old Maud must lead the band of children home. Based on a true story.

2021 Education for Mission

Leading While Muslim: The Experiences of American Muslim Principals after 9/11. Debbie Almontaser. Rowman & Littlefield. 2018.

This book examines the lived experiences of American Muslim principals who serve in public schools in a post-9/11 world to determine whether global events, political discourse, and the media coverage of Islam and Muslims have affected their leadership and spirituality. Such a study is intended to help readers to gain an understanding of the adversities that American Muslim principals have experienced post-9/11 and how to address these adversities, particularly through decisions about educational policy and district leadership.

2021 Education for Mission

My Savior is the Masses: Dancing Along the Path to Justice. Joy Prim. Self-Published 2019.

Follow the story of Global Ministries mission intern Joy Prim. Joy first served in Hong Kong, working with an NGO serving migrant women domestic helpers from around Southeast Asia, and then in California, serving with an NGO friend from her international placement. After finishing her official missionary assignment, she stayed on, working with the community to continue their collective organizing. Join her through her blog, which she initially began as a way to document her experiences as a missionary and has continued as she's followed Jesus to the community margins.

2021 Education for Mission

A Road Called Down on Both Sides: Growing Up in Ethiopia and America. Caroline Kurtz. Catalyst Press. 2019.

Growing up in the remote mountains of 1950s Ethiopia, Caroline enjoyed American missionary family life. Outside, her world was shaped by drums and the joy cry; treks into the countryside; ostriches on the airstrip; and the crackle of several languages she barely understood but longed to learn. She felt exiled to a foreign country when she went to Illinois for college and later returned to Ethiopia to teach. But rather than returning to her childhood home, maybe it would have been better just to treasure her memories. Wayne Co. Library Clevnet – 1 print copy

2021 Education for Mission

The Unstoppable Garrett Morgan: inventor, entrepreneur, hero. Joan Dickey. Illustrated by Ebony Glenn. Lee & Low Books. 2019. – Elementary / Middle School Reading

“If a man puts something to block your way, the first time you go around it, the second time you go over it, and the third time you go through it.” Garrett Morgan, a prolific African American inventor and entrepreneur, must test his latest invention in a daring rescue after an explosion at the Cleveland Waterworks. But when a tunnel collapsed, trapping twenty men, the rescue would test both Garrett's invention - and his courage.

Wayne County Library Clevnet – 29 print copies

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When Others Shuddered: Eight Women Who Refused to Give up. Jamie Janosz. Moody Publishers. p208.

Fanny Crosby, Mary McLeod Bethune, Nettie McCormick, Sarah Dunn Clarke, Emma Dryer, Virginia Asher, Evangeline Booth, and Amanda Berry Smith—were unique. They were single and married, black and white, wealthy and poor, beautiful and plain, mothers and childless. Yet, each felt called to make a difference and to do something—to meet a pressing need in her world.

These women wanted to live lives less ordinary. Their stories inspire us to follow God's calling in our own lives. They teach us that each individual person can make a difference. These eight women will show you how God can use your life to change the world.

Wayne County Library Clevnet- 1 print copy

2020 Education for Mission

The Pilgrim Journey: A History of Pilgrimage in the Western World. James Harpur. BlueBridge. p209.

The fascinating story of sacred travel in the West: how pilgrimage was born and grew in antiquity, how it blossomed in the Middle Ages and faltered in subsequent centuries, only to reemerge stronger than before in modern times. It describes the pilgrim routes and sacred destinations past and present, the men and women making the journey, the many challenges of travel, and the spiritual motivations and rewards. And it explores the traditional stages of pilgrimage, from preparation, departure, and the time on the road, to the arrival at the shrine and the return home.

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What About Our Money? A Faith Response. Susan Taylor. United Methodist Women. 2018.

How do we relate to money within the context of our faith? What is the biblical foundation of abundance (sufficiency); which stands in opposition to the scarcity narrative our culture tells us from the time we are very young? Through exploring this connection, readers discover how to live closer to God and God's people, even in our capitalistic North American culture.

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The Devil Came Down to Chinatown – Ordinary Church Women and their Extraordinary Rescue of San Francisco's Brothel Slaves. Christine Taylor. CreateSpace Independent Publishing. p220.

In the late 1800s thousands of Chinese women sailed to America's West Coast. Many of them were enslaved as soon as they stepped off the freighters and were forced into prostitution -- the "green mansion." American prejudice against the immigrant Chinese was ugly and strong, and many of these girls lost hope. Many of them died. But a few of them began to whisper about the "Jesus women." The Jesus women were rescuing and freeing the Chinese slaves, and if the girls could just get word to them.

Wayne County Library – 1 print copy

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An Insider's Guide to Praying For the World. Brian C. Stiller. Baker Publishing Group. 2016. +
Book includes country-specific insights calling us to a deeper understanding of the Christian church and witness. Each chapter also provides prayer challenges that come from believers in the country as well as maps and sample prayers. Nations from every continent are included.
Wayne County Library Clevnet - 1 print copy

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Threading My Prayer Rug – One Woman's Journey from Pakistani Muslim to American Muslim. Sabeeha Rehman. Skyhorse Publishing. 2017. +
Named on Booklist's Top Ten Religion and Spirituality Books of 2016, Threading My Prayer Rug is a richly textured reflection on what it is to be a Muslim in America.
Wayne County Library Clevnet – 7 print copies.

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The Mission-Minded Guide to Church and School Partnerships. Jake McGlothlin. Abingdon Press. 2017. +
This title offers practical steps congregations can take to make a difference with the children in their community. Wayne County Public – 1 print copy

2019 Education for Mission

One – Unity in a Divided World. Deidra Riggs. Baker Publishing Group, 2017. +
Our world needs fewer walls and more bridges. Be a bridge builder. One brings hope and healing to a divided and broken people and to those seeking to understand the first and next steps toward racial unity.

2019 Education for Mission – Youth [credit for all reading plans]

Ahimsa. Supriya Kelkar. Lee and Low/Tu Books. 2017. p. 304.
In 1942, when Mahatma Gandhi asks Indians to give one family member to the freedom movement, ten-year-old Anjali is devastated to think of her father risking his life for the freedom struggle. But it turns out he isn't the one joining. Anjali's mother is.
Wayne County Library Clevnet – 17 print copies

2019 Education for Mission - Recommended Reading

Make a Difference – Following Your Passion and Finding Your Place to Serve. James A. Harnish. Abingdon Press. 2017. p. 192.
Connect Your Passion with the World's Great Need. Every day we see that things are not right in our world, and as followers of Jesus Christ, we have an impulse to do something about it. We long to connect our passions and gifts with the world's great needs, making a unique contribution for the healing of the world. Wayne County Library Clevnet – 1 print copy.

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Unified We Are a Force – how Faith and Labor Can Overcome America's Inequalities. Joerg Rieger and Resemarie Henkel-Rieger. Chalice Press. 2016. +
This book is an invitation for us to listen, with God, to the cries of those who labor.
Wayne County Library Clevnet – 1 print copy