

**FOUR WAYS TO REGISTER!**

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**Registration deadline: One week before class**

- Institute For Healing Racism**  
*(intermediate - advanced)*  
Consecutive Thursdays  
April 16, 23, 30, and May 7  
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. \$175
- Gangs — Knowledge is Power** *(beginning)*  
May 19 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. \$29
- Suicide Intervention with Adolescents**  
*(intermediate/advanced)*  
May 21 9:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. \$29

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**METHOD OF PAYMENT**

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**RESIDENTIAL CURRICULUM**

- **Healthy Adolescent Sexuality**
- **What is Trauma Sensitive Treatment?**
- **Listening for Heaven's Sake**
- **Love & Logic**
- **Introduction to Life Space Crisis Intervention**
- **CPR/First Aid**

**DIVERSITY CURRICULUM**

- **Diversity Awareness**
- **Institute for Healing Racism**
- **From Awareness to Competence**
- **Continuing the Journey**

**For a schedule of trainings, go to [www.wedgwood.org](http://www.wedgwood.org) or call Karleen Root/Pam Babb at (616) 942-2110.**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- **All classes are held on our Kentwood campus at 3300 36th Street SE.**
- **Most classes take place at the Nagel Chapel & Conference Center, located on the east side of the administration building.**
- **Please note that all Wedgwood campuses are smoke-free.**
- **As a Christian agency, the spiritual component is an important part of our trainings. Our instructors will often include a Christian perspective in their classes.**

**[www.wedgwood.org](http://www.wedgwood.org)**

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Wedgwood Christian Services, provider # 1175, is approved as a provider for social work continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) [www.aswb.org](http://www.aswb.org), through the Approved Continuing Education (ACE) program. Wedgwood Christian Services maintains responsibility for the program.

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**APRIL - JUNE 2009**

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## 1 INSTITUTE FOR HEALING RACISM (intermediate-advanced)

Join this group to learn about the sin of racism while growing with others in a Christ-centered environment. This four week training will be an opportunity to build bridges with others in the fight against racism.

### Week One:

- Describe how racism developed in the US
- Explore your own personal journey on racism
- Discuss the origins of racism
- Define terms: power, race prejudice and racism

### Week Two:

- Define Institutional Racism
- Describe examples of Institutional Racism in organizations and society in general
- Discuss the impact of Institutional Racism
- Describe the wounds of racism
- Experience White Privilege through the "Unpacking the Knapsack" activity
- Discuss the thoughts and feelings of participants throughout the activity

### Week Three:

- Explore the importance of confession to healing racism
- Explain the importance of celebrating small successes in overcoming racism
- Learn about the journey of others in healing racism through case study video "The Color of Fear"
- Discuss how the video applies to one's personal journey in dealing with racism.

### Week Four:

- Learn about the pain and hurt caused by sins of racism and the importance of confession
- Examine the skills of a reconciler
- Explain the importance of celebrating small successes in overcoming racism
- Discuss the importance of becoming an agent of healing and justice
- List at least one way you are willing to make a personal commitment to bring about healing and justice

**Dates/Time:** Four consecutive Thursdays  
April 16, 23, 30 and May 7, 2009  
8:30 am - 12:30 pm  
*Must attend all four sessions*

**Cost/CEs:** \$175 (includes continental breakfast)  
14 approved CE's

**Registration Deadline:** April 9, 2009

**Presenters:** **Arlan Palmer, MDiv**, is currently Diversity Coordinator at Wedgwood. He has developed a number of other diversity-related trainings and has presented them at other agencies and organizations in West Michigan.

**LeRae Kuperus, MDiv**, is Chaplain Coordinator. She has facilitated racial and gender-related training.

Both Arlan and LeRae have been facilitators for the Institutes for Healing Racism for the past seven years.

## 2 GANGS – KNOWLEDGE IS POWER (beginning)

Since Biblical times, criminal organizations that engage in secretive, antisocial and criminal behavior have disrupted everyday life. Gangs are not new, nor are the social ills associated with them.

**During this session, participants will be able to:**

- describe a gang and ways to identify a gang
- list national and regional data, and describe gangs and their core structure
- discuss local trends in gang membership
- explain why youth join gangs

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, May 19, 2009  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Cost/CEs:** \$29 (includes continental breakfast)  
2.5 approved CE's

**Registration Deadline:** May 12, 2009

**Presenter:** **Pastor Troy A. Evans** is a former gang member and leader who was indicted during a grand jury investigation. Upon his release, he was granted an "honorable discharge" from the gang. He has researched gang membership and at-risk youth for over a decade and provided mentoring and conflict resolution research and services for Grand Rapids & Detroit Public Schools. He currently serves as the Executive Director of Strategic Outreach Services, a non-profit that provides training and coaching for gang members, ministries and organizations. He was recently featured in an ABC Family (700 Club) special on 'Gangs in Small Cities in America'. In Spring 2009, Pastor Troy will release his first book Small City Big Gangs.

## 3 SUICIDE INTERVENTION WITH ADOLESCENTS (intermediate)

Suicide is a desperate act of self-destruction to alleviate something that appears unchangeable. For some, it's a way of finding "peace" and escape — for others, it becomes a way to protest and rage, a tool for empowerment.

**During this session, participants will:**

- learn the differences between adults and adolescents in their goals/reasons for suicide
- explore the levels of suicide risk
- discuss de-escalation techniques
- explain the levels of intervention
- discuss assessment tools and treatment plans for clients including "No Self Harm" contracts

**Date/Time:** Thursday, May 21, 2009  
9:00 am - 12:15 pm

**Cost/CEs:** \$29 (includes continental breakfast)  
3.0 approved CE's

**Registration Deadline:** May 14, 2009

**Presenter:** **Valencia Agnew, MA, LLP** is pursuing her Doctorate in Clinical Psychology at Walden University. She received her MA in Counseling Psychology from Western Michigan University and her BA in Psychology from Grand Valley State University. Currently, she is in private practice at North Kent Guidance Services.

## COURSE COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS/CERTIFICATES

To be awarded the number of CE's advertised, participants must sign in at the starting time and sign out at the scheduled ending time.

Participants who need to leave early or arrive late may receive only partial credit to comply with regulations stipulated by the Association of Social Work Boards. Certificates will be distributed at the conclusion of the training upon completion of the course evaluation.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Sessions are designed for social workers and all other human service and health care professionals. All others are invited to attend any session.

## CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

Cancellations received 24 hours before the session will receive a full refund. Other cancellations may be subject to a 20% administrative fee. Wedgwood Institute reserves the right to cancel any session.

## GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

To submit a grievance regarding CE credits awarded or other issues, contact Vito Lentini, Associate Director, Wedgwood Institute, at (616) 831-5642 or [vitol@wedgwood.org](mailto:vitol@wedgwood.org).

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR REQUESTING ADA ACCOMMODATIONS

Requests for ADA accommodations should be made by contacting Vito Lentini, Associate Director, Wedgwood Institute, at (616) 831-5642 or [vitol@wedgwood.org](mailto:vitol@wedgwood.org).

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