## CRESCENDO Justice Journey



#### The Mission

The mission of **Crescendo Justice Journey** is to partner with the 60+ community in their discipleship growth toward racial righteousness. We hope you will join us for Crescendo Justice Journey 2026!

**2026 Date** - February 23-27 (Monday and Friday are travel days)

Location - Charleston, SC

- Exploring the history of the business of slavery in this context both then and now.
- Visiting sites, viewing videos, and listening to speakers.
- Debriefing and learning in a small community.
- Living together in community (separate rooms for each single and couple).

**Leaders** - Debbie Blue (Chicago, IL) and Krisann Jarvis Foss (Kent, WA)

#### Some of the sites visited include:

- International African American Museum (opened in 2023)
- McCleod Plantation
- Old Slave Mart
- City Market
- Gullah Geechee Country
- Mother Emanuel Church and memorials



**To Reserve Your Place:** Send an email to crescendoecc@gmail.com OR text 909-374-2789. Please be sure to note registrant's name, phone, email, and location for notice to get registration materials..

**Registration fee:** \$400 each and includes lodging, meals, site fees, and ground transportation to/from sites and airport. Registrant pays own transportation to/from Charleston, SC.

**For more information, visit our APP**. Download it from your favorite APP store. Search for Crescendo: Vital Living.

### The Beginnings

Three journeys have been sponsored by Crescendo in collaboration with Love Mercy Do Justice. All have been led by Debbie Blue and Krisann Jarvis Foss in Charleston, SC.

A decision was made in 2024 to pursue future journeys named **Crescendo Justice Journey** working in cooperation with the Love Mercy Do Justice priority of the Evangelical Covenant Church.

Intergenerational events are proposed for the future as well as others for adults only, 60+.







#### Objectives

- KNOW THE PAST... uncover the historical significance of Charleston, SC, and its role in the business of slavery
- GROW IN THE PRESENT... encourage deeper growth in understanding slavery's impact then and now
- GO IN THE FUTURE...

embolden/challenge participants to return to their Jerusalem (Luke 24) and "act justly" (Micah 6:8)

#### Reflections from Past Participants

The journey was both a sobering and wonderful discipleship experience for us. It expanded our understanding and moved our hearts. *Steve & Darlene Thulson, Littleton, CO* 

... this journey deepened my understanding of being a descendant of enslaved Africans. I can see how directly linked my Black History narrative is to American History. *Eunice K. Johnson, Turlock, CA* 

The journey gave me a glimpse into the horrors of life as an enslaved person from Africa while also exposing the twisted justifications that compelled people of privilege to dehumanize others for their own gain. Don't miss it! *Steve Wong, San Jose, CA* 

This helped me reflect and become aware of the true magnitude of the atrocity that slavery was and is, and how its influence makes the relationships in our daily lives more complex due to the color of our skin. *Carmen Quinche, Canoga Park, CA* 

The Justice Journey was informative and carried a range of emotions, from sadness to anger to disbelief... If we don't know about our sins, remain in denial or fail to become informed, justice and reconciliation are impossible. *Harold Spooner, Noblesville, IN* 

I highly recommend this experience to all! It is intense, enlightening, shaping. The opportunity created fundamental space in my thinking on justice. *Lynn Black, McPherson, KS* 



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# Justice Journey

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