



CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION



Texas

Last fall, more than 175 Texas Baptists gathered together in Grand Prairie for 'One: Unity not Uniformity' to pursue racial healing in the wake of a turbulent year of clashes between white, black and Hispanic Americans.

Designed to equip church leaders and lay members to engage in the work of racial reconciliation in their communities, attendees gained insight into racial reconciliation as a Gospel issue, learned the importance of forming and maintaining cross-racial relationships and received practical tips for engaging in the work of racial reconciliation.

“The Lord placed this event on my heart last spring because I felt like the Church had not done enough to be a part of the solution,” said Kathryn Freeman, director of public policy for the Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission. “The thing about racial reconciliation is that it’s a process. One conversation, one act of standing up for justice or one act of friendship won’t solve the problem overnight, but it can be a step in turning the ship.”

Freeman’s hope for the conference was that it be the first in a series of fruitful encounters where Christians celebrate their God-given diversity, while bringing truth and reconciliation where previously there has been misunderstanding and conflict.

When we give to the Cooperative Program, we help fund Christian Life Commission events like this that seek to actively pursue racial reconciliation.

Let’s pray for the speakers and church leaders that will participate in the event this year, that God would equip them and use them for His glory in racial reconciliation.

