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Mothering Children of Color Who Are Becoming Adults

As my kids become adults and move into the world without me, I can't protect them the way I could when they were little. I can't assume they'll walk into a store or up a hill or anywhere else and be cloaked with the same privilege I was born with. I live with the fear they'll make a misstep, or what's perceived as a misstep, and that some innocent action will lead to tragedy. As we've seen—as the families of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, Michael Brown, and too many others have seen—this is not an unfounded fear in this country. Continue Reading Here

Love Sees In Color

About a decade ago it was popular to say, "Love sees no color. I really don't see that my kids are different." I'm hoping we've moved away from that, because it's just not true. We all notice differences, and, if we say we can't, we're denying something. That's a really big part of white privilege—not recognizing that you have white privilege. Not only does this diminish the power and energy of diversity, this denial sends a message that being different is bad or shameful or something that needs to be ignored. Continue Reading Here



To White Parents Who Want to Be Allies At This Time

This letter was written to a white parent whose child attends school with my son who wrote to express her sadness over recent events and to find out how to be an ally. Here is my response.

Dear White Parent,

Thank you for reaching out to me.

My answer to your concern for my family's well-being is that this hurts. Deeply. To my core. To our core.

But it's not the first time, nor will it be the last. And it's not about the one, it's about the too many.

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CODE SWITCH: IF WE CALLED OURSELVES YELLOW

"What many black and biracial transracial adoptees were not prepared for was that the societal realities they faced were the same as those facing other people of color. The information that white transracial adoptive parents needed to give their children did not exist in the white world; these parents would have to interact with black America in order to understand the problems most likely to trouble transracially adopted children." -Rhonda M. Roorda