

"The Uprising of Jesus" in an Easter context carries the dual sense of Jesus' revolution and his resurrection. Both have everything to do with Empire: Jesus is crucified as a terrorist because he resists the Roman Empire and its occupation in the name of God's reign. Jesus is raised because he refuses to make a deal with Empire, and astoundingly, the New Creation of the Reign of God is born on Easter Sunday. The risen Jesus calls us to walk that same Way of the Cross. Our Easter commitment is to recognise and resist Empire in all its forms today.

#### **PROGRAMME**

### **Sunday 21 March**

6.30-8pm

Recognising & resisting Empire in the Bible and the Early Church

Wes Howard-Brook

### **Monday 22 March**

10-11am

Recognising & resisting White privilege

**Chine McDonald** 

11am-12pm
Resistance Music in Washington, Brazil and Palestine
William Young

6.30-8pm

Recognising & resisting Empire in the church today

**Wes Howard-Brook** 

#### WHO'S WHO?

Wes Howard-Brook teaches at Seattle University. He has been teaching and writing at the intersection of church, society and academy since 1988. Previously, Wes was an attorney for the federal and Washington state governments. He has written seminal books on the relationship between the church and Empire, including "Come Out My People": God's Call Out of Empire In the Bible and Beyond; Becoming Children of God: John's Gospel and Radical Discipleship; Empire Baptized: how the church embraced what Jesus rejected.

**Chine (Mbubaegbu) McDonald** is Head of Community Fundraising and Public Engagement at Christian Aid. Her new book, *God is Not a White Man (and other revelations)* is due out on 27 May.

**William Young** is Pastor of the Covenant Baptist United Church of Christ in Washington DC, currently trapped in Scotland by the pandemic, and a jazz singer.

#### **JOINING**

Use the following link for all the sessions. Share it as widely as possible and invite friends and family to share your Easter preparation with you!

"Yours in the uprising of Jesus": recognising & resisting Empire Easter Festival 21-22 March

#### 3 sessions:

Mar 21, 18:30 - 20.00 Mar 22, 10.00 - 12.00 Mar 22, 18:30 - 20.00

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