

Reading List



Many Campus Chapters have grown in their knowledge of justice issues and in their commitment to fight oppression through studying books on the topic together. We would encourage your Chapter to consider hosting a bible study or book study oriented around one of these books or others.

IJM President Gary Haugen has authored three books that explore God's call to justice and IJM's work in the world.

Good News About Injustice, Gary Haugen

Just Courage, Gary Haugen

Terrify No More, Gary Haugen

Your group may also want to explore other books, such as those listed below. This in no way serves as an all-encompassing reading list or a list that IJM formally endorses – instead, it is our hope that this list will be a starting point for you into the study of human rights issues. We would encourage you to go to your local bookstore and look under the category of “Current Events,” where you should find numerous book listings oriented around human rights issues.

A Civil Action, Jonathan Harr

A Fine Balance, Rohinton Mistry

A Long Way Gone, Ishmael Beah

A Problem from Hell: America and the Age of Genocide, Samantha Power

A Theology As Big As the City, Ray Bakke

Actual Innocence, Neufeld, Schneck, Dwyer

Arc of Justice, Kevin Boyle

Banker to the Poor, Muhammad Yunus

Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee, Dee Brown

Bury the Chains, Adam Hochschild

China Road, Bob Gifford

Continent for the Taking, Howard French

Cry the Beloved Country, Alan Paton

Dead Man Walking, Helen Prejean

Decisive Issues Facing Christians Today, John Stott

Disposable People, Kevin Bales

Emma's War, Deborah Scroggins

Ethics, Dietrich Bonhoeffer

First They Killed My Father, Loung Ung

God in the Dock, C.S. Lewis

Guide to International Human Rights Practice, Hurst Hannum

Human Rights Watch World Report, published annually

Killing Fields, Living Fields, Don Cormack

King Leopold's Ghost, Adam Hochschild

Let Justice Roll Down, John Perkins

Life and Death in Shanghai, Nien Cheng

Longitudes and Attitudes, Thomas Friedman

Maximum City, Suketu Mehta

Mikina, Peter Goodwin

Mountains Beyond Mountains, Tracy Kidder

No Matter How Loud I Shout, Edward Humes

Not for Sale, Kevin Batstone

Oracle Bones, Peter Hessler

Rich Christians in An Age of Hunger, Ronald Sider

River Town, Peter Hessler

Sex Trafficking: Inside the Business of Modern Slavery, Siddharth Kara

Shake Hands with the Devil: The Failure of Humanity in Rwanda, Romeo Dallaire

The Dangerous Act of Worship, Mark Labberton

The Devil's Highway, Luis Alberto Urrea

The End of Poverty, Jeffrey Sachs

The Good Women of China, Xinran Xue

The Human Rights Reader, Micheline Ishay

The Irresistible Revolution, Shane Claiborne

The Looming Tower, Lawrence Wright

The Race Beat, Roberts, Kibanoff

The Run of His Life, Jeffrey Toobin

The Trafficking in Persons Report, U.S. Department of State (published annually)

The Zanzibar Chest, Adrian Hartley

Three Cups of Tea, Relin, Mortenson

We Wish to Inform You Tomorrow We Will Be Killed With Our Families, Philip Gourevitch

What is the What, Dave Eggers

When a Crocodile Eats the Sun, Peter Goodwin

When Broken Glass Floats, Chanrithy Him

Wild Swans, Jung Chang