

## WE HAVE A DREAM: A WORLD WITHOUT RACISM

### **MAY, 2025 - What's been happening and what now?**

We began with a prayer.

We sent our check to South Baltimore Community Land Trust to help them complete construction of the next two affordable, sustainable homes, and thanked those who donated to the Racial Equity Fund.

We shared that a group of high schoolers met with a few of us for feedback on their design to convert an abandoned row home to rooms for those without a home.

We thanked those who took action on the legislative bills, and for greater impact, had invited five other committees to join us at church. We gave the status on the bills signed by the Governor and those awaiting his action.

We sent our letter to the Archbishop and the Executive Director of Catholic Charities thanking them for the letter they sent that was published in the Baltimore Sun Paper in support of automatic citizenship.

Watching the recording of Father Greg Boyle's homily inspired us to continue to work towards love of those on the margins. We discussed his presentation, Homeboy Industries and their partners in Maryland.

We discussed a webinar with Germans who said what is currently happening in the U.S. is repeating what happened in Nazi Germany. They cautioned us to speak out to avoid a repeat. We drew attention to the video with Bishop William Barber II's homily that definitely spoke out. There will be a group going to Washington in front of the Supreme Court on June 2nd.

We talked about continuing this group in community to take action when needed but not meeting necessarily every month. We agreed to find out what the US Conference of Catholic Bishops is doing to support the Catholic Social Teachings in this time of government actions that appear to be against CST. We want to hear a voice from the Catholic Church about workers rights. We will review Rerum Novarum, Pope Leo XIII's encyclical.

We closed with a prayer.