



Beginning in 2015, the contributors of this volume took part in a series of dialogues sponsored by the Zehr Institute for Restorative Justice (Eastern Mennonite University), exploring the contours of the restorative justice movement. Each one writes from the burgeoning edges of their own context, inviting readers to consider the fidelity and integrity of the movement's growth. As a cadre, the authors highlight new locations of restorative justice application: race, pedagogy, ecology, youth organizing, community violence reduction, and more. These diverse voices put forward a hard-hitting glimpse into the pulse of restorative justice today and what it may look like tomorrow.

# Listening to the Movement

*Essays on New Growth and New Challenges in Restorative Justice*

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Foreword by Fania E. Davis

“A new pattern has emerged within the restorative justice community over the last years; many now view restorative justice as both an intervention to transform individuals *and* a movement to transform society. This emerging pattern of seeing ourselves as both social service providers and social movement participants was not imposed by a top down directive. Self-organizing, it arose ground-up from internal interactions and transforming exchanges among diverse practitioners. . . . *Listening to the Movement* is the first book dedicated to exploring the idea of restorative justice as a social justice movement.”

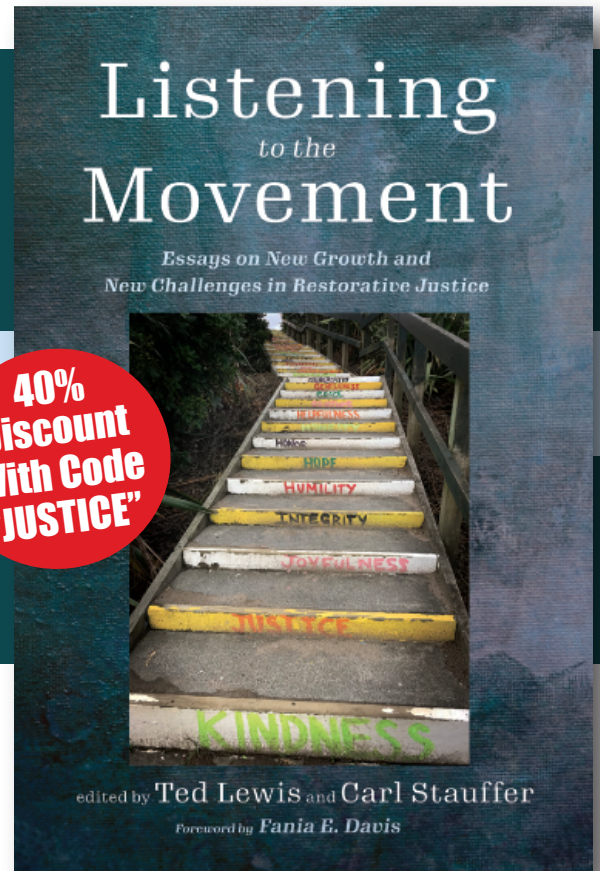
—from the Foreword by FANIA E. DAVIS

“This collection is a timely and much-needed look at the restorative justice field through the lens of social movements and social transformation. The accessible, and at times personal, essays raise key questions and lessons for future restorative justice practice in a variety of settings, while the introduction and epilogue offer a rich contextualization within the bigger picture of restorative justice theory and practice.”

—BARB TOEWS, University of Washington Tacoma

“Praises for *Listening to the Movement*. . . . This anthology reminds us that as restorative justice practitioners we are at once individual/community healers and social justice movement builders. Ours is a deep calling to decolonize typical systems of oppression and domination to restor-ganize in an arc towards justice. The wisdom of the authors brings us closer to the authentic indigenous roots of restorative justice.”

—TEIAHSHA BANKHEAD, Director of RJOY Oakland



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