



Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove is a sought-after speaker and celebrated author. He is a graduate of Eastern University and Duke Divinity School.

In 2003, Jonathan and his wife Leah founded Rutba House, a house of hospitality where the formerly homeless are welcomed into a community that eats, prays, and shares life together. Jonathan directs the School for Conversion, an organization that has grown out of the life of Rutba House to pursue beloved community with kids in their neighborhood, through classes in North Carolina prisons, and in community-based education around the country. He is also an Associate Minister at the historically black St. Johns Missionary Baptist Church. Connect with Jonathan at

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Are you a lay leader or pastor who seeks to ground your commitment to justice in a deeper spirituality, and connect with the message of the scriptures in a more profound way? Are you looking for an educational opportunity that allows plenty of room to breathe, reflect, and integrate what you've learned? The Washington Island Forum experience is what you're looking for.

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The Bible, the Poor,
& a Moral Imagination
for Faith in Our Common Life

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Why did we invite Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove to the Forum this year? Because he addresses the intersection of so many of our areas of ministry: poverty, racism, and hospitality, just for starters. His background bridges both urban and rural concerns.

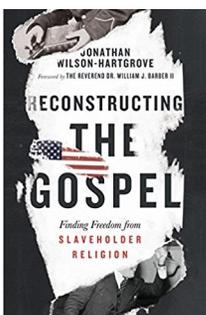
He is evangelical: proclaiming Good News and seeking to live it publicly. Jonathan tries to live by what he believes to be the Bible's essential message: Love your neighbors. Take care of the poor. Be with those who are suffering. He has been active in fighting the death penalty, supporting undocumented farmworkers, and advocating for the homeless. In 2013 he joined other local ministers in protesting an ordinance that restricted panhandling in Durham, North Carolina.

He collaborated with Rev. William Barber to organize a series of protests called Moral Mondays in Raleigh, North Carolina following the state legislature's sharp turn to the right in 2011. More recently he has been promoting the Poor People's Campaign.

Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove is active on social media. And yet, he knows how to slow down and be in place: he grounds his ministry in a deep spirituality, having written and thought for years on the virtues of stability. You'll find his name among the co-authors of *Common Prayer: A Liturgy for Ordinary Radicals*, and a slimmer volume, a contemporary translation of the *Rule of St. Benedict*.

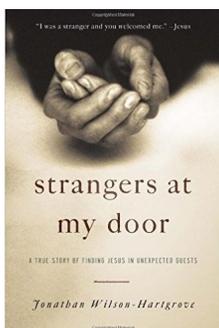
We hope you'll join us for the 2019 Washington Island Forum, to reflect together on *A Moral Imagination for Faith In Our Common Life*. Register at wichurches.org or tear off and mail in the form to the right.

What people are saying about Jonathan's work:



"So what happened to Christianity in America? This is the question my brother Jonathan faces head-on in this book. He follows this question to the heart of America's original sin, and he invites all of us to join him there and face another question: is our God greater than America's racism? This is a question we must answer..." (From the foreword by Dr. William J. Barber II)

Jesus told us where to find him. Just look for an outcast. His first followers knew that Jesus could be found with the fatherless, the widows, and the hungry and homeless. He said that he himself was a stranger, and commended those who welcomed him. If he really meant these things, what would happen if you opened your door to every person who came with a need? *In Strangers at My Door*, Wilson-Hartgrove tells of risks and occasional disappointments. But far more often there is joy, surprise, and excitement as strangers become friends, mentors, and helpers. Immerse yourself in these inspiring, eye-opening accounts of people who arrive with real needs, but ask only for an invitation to come in.



2019 Washington Island Forum: \$299 fee is due at time of registration. Registration includes opening picnic meal for registrant and daily refreshments. Other meals and lodging are not included and must be arranged separately. Refund available with a cancellation fee of \$25 if registrant cancels by May 1, 2019. After May 1, there is a cancellation fee of \$100.

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