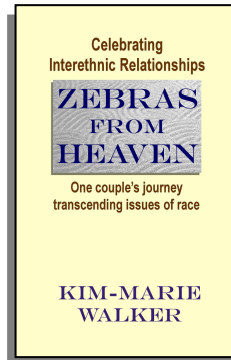


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Here's what others are saying about...

Zebras from Heaven, Celebrating Interethnic Relationships by Kim-Marie Walker,
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"[This book] gives the reader multiple gifts. Not only is it a window into Walker's personal life, interracial marriage, and consciousness raising concepts on humanness and communication, it provides accurate information on some of the more important events in multiracial history.

In addition it gives the reader the opportunity to share the book with others by providing very thought provoking questions that validate the multiracial experience and can serve to educate those that are willing to learn about the richness and challenges of interracial marriage, parenting and identity."

- Nancy G. Brown, MN, CNS, Association of MultiEthnic Americans (AMEA) - Advisory Council Member, Past President- Board Member; and Past President and Co-Founder-Multiracial Americans of Southern California (MASC)



"In today's multicultural world, interracial dating is no big deal, right? Well, yes and no, according Kim-Marie Walker, who's written "Zebras from Heaven. As a black woman married to a white man for 17 years, Walker has firsthand experience with the deeply rooted racial beliefs lurking within us all." - Cinthia Ritchie, Anchorage Daily News, Alaska



"... Most African American families have interethnic relatives as we do and your book is indeed an eye opener for many different races. I am giving your book to my daughters to read. I know they will enjoy it as much I did. God has given you a wonderful gift. Continue to use your gift as a spiritual force to make a positive difference for yourself and others." - K. Jackson, Apple Valley, MN



"... As I read your book, many questions popped into my mind. Questions I had not thought of before. Some of the questions might even be research questions. I felt like some of your chapters could be expanded into whole books.

I like what I am reading. My wife and I have had a few conversations about this before. In a lot of ways we have not really talked about race and how it impacts us. It is usually about how it impacts me and not how it impacts her." - Thomas J. Wright, Ph.D., President, Oregon Council on Multiracial Affairs, Portland, OR



“...such a wonderfully honest and compassionate look at relationships, and I gave it to my white partner who also loved it. It was such a joy to meet you at the conference, and your voice really comes through in the book! Even though he hadn't met you he said he feels like he has now! Such good insight and a book I will keep close to reread.” - *Katrina Grigg-Saito, Earhart Fellow in Journalism and Anthropology at Boston University*

“I really enjoy the back and forth perspective of story-telling. It's easy to read and will be a healing tool for many people.” - *Caryn Colgan, Author of Ancient Pact*

I did read your book over the holidays and will be able to use some of your insights in the couples counseling I do, as well as, in my class for Cultural Foundations of Human Behavior. - *Sarah Welton, Alpha Counseling & Education Services, Faculty Member Universtiy of Anchorage Alaska - Mat-Su College*

“...[I found] it challenging and different than any other interracial/interethnic book I have read. In particular I like your use of the term interethnic relationships rather than interracial relationships and your discussion of race being an outdated idea. I've been trying to talk about these topics for the past 26 years, but most people I've met in the Multiracial Movement disagree.” - *Irene Carr, Founder of Biracial Family Network, Chicago, IL (www.bfnchicago.org)*

“I felt your frustration, but I also understood your husband's confusion and seeming lack of sensitivity. I think you are a terrific couple, supportive and devoted.” - *Sandra Chamberlain, Wasilla, AK*

I think the book is GREAT! I'm so glad you wrote it—for us all. It is such a lovely mixture of intimacy, information and strong suggestions and opinions. It is so personal, yet universal, too. - *Christie Denhart, Intuitive Guide, Meditation and Continuum Movement Teacher, Monterey, CA*

A rare and bold memoir that peeks inside a 'black' and 'white' interracial marriage with astonishing revelations for the 21st century.” *Onyx Communications, Publisher*

“I plan to use...[*Zebras from Heaven Chapter 7 - Top Ten Reasons to Celebrate Interethnic Relationships*]...in an ever-changing group of handouts I put together for a “book” I give out at seminars for parents who are transracially adopting. *Chapter 7* is upbeat & uplifting to the glory of the interracial union.

I think a lot of the book's lessons on race apply equally to TRA (transracial adoption) families as interracially married families.

[The book]... is a nice easy read...hopefully people will walk away with the lessons of transcending race in a race conscious society. - *Michelle M. Hughes, Atty., Co-founder of Bridge Communications, Inc., Multicultural Living for Families and Communities, Chicago, IL*



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