

We at Echoes Media are deeply saddened by the events over the past few months. The murders of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and Ahmaud Arbery weigh heavily on our hearts, and the subsequent nationwide protests and calls for justice resonate profoundly in our souls. It's easy to get discouraged and overwhelmed and maybe even feel a little hopeless.

But here's the thing: this is exactly what Echoes was built for. We were created for moments like this. When Founder Janelle started Echoes Media 3 1/2 years ago, it was after the release of her book *Echoes of the Struggle* — where the protagonist experiences a social justice awakening after the death of an unarmed Black child at the hands of the police. One month after the book's release, Janelle created this platform so that we could not only share our experiences to foster empathy and understanding but also to share our advice about how to spark that empathy in the world.

Today, we believe our nation is going through yet another awakening; only this time, we hope the call to action lasts long enough to create lasting change. We are not afraid of being wrong because we know it leads to getting it right. We are not afraid to ask questions because we know it leads to answers. And we are not afraid to feel uncomfortable or make others uncomfortable because we know it leads to growth.

As such, Echoes Media promises to keep doing what we've always done: seeking out people to share diverse experiences with the hope of eradicating discrimination and promoting inclusion to create a more equitable world for the next generation.

For the first time, we did an early release of our podcast. As protests are still ongoing, we wanted to do our part to inform first-time protesters of what to expect and remind protest veterans what they need to keep in mind to be safe and effective while working on the front lines. You can check out our episode of [on air with...Darnell Lamont Walker & DR Hanson](#) where they talk about their experiences with protesting.

As always, we thank you for your continued support.

Be safe, be well, and we'll see you in the fight.

Jack & Janelle  
*Create hope. Forge a path. Change the world.*