



The Humanity Project

Telling the Untold Story



What age were you when you had your first significant cross-cultural interaction?



- Age 4, mom had to explain our racial differences commented on by a stranger.
- Age 5: parents had area college basketball players over for dinner
- Childhood: summer church camp leader; visits to mass at Holy Hill; neighbors had Black friends visit; cousins adopted from South Korea; school
- Third grade: given a nickname; learned how different everyone saw me
- 10 years old: family member's Black friend visited; visited a larger town
- Pre-teen: visiting Minneapolis, first time to see a Black person.
- Junior High
- High school: classes; basketball; church youth group; summer camp
- Age 17: joined the Army
- College: classes; students from other countries
- 20s: working in Chicago; teaching; visited work colleague in Black suburb
- Age 47, travel in China

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