

This January, the Liberal Ladies Book Club discussed the book *THE WARMTH OF OTHER SUNS, The Epic Story of America's Great Migration*, by Isabel Wilkerson. This book tells the underreported story of the Great Migration; the relocation of roughly six million Afro-Americans from the American south to northern and western cities. This migration spanned nearly a half a century, from the 1920s into the 1970s. Wilkerson tells this story, by following the remarkable journeys of three separate people. Through these intimate retellings, Wilkerson puts a human face to the six million people who, emboldened by desperation, fled the Jim Crow south in search of better lives. It is a beautifully written book that not only highlights the humanity of this moment, as these individuals struggle to make new lives, but is also filled with amazing historical detail. Wilkerson spent roughly fifteen years researching this project and interviewed over twelve hundred people before choosing the three that she included in the book. It is an impressive work of non-fiction that reads like a novel and I think I speak for everyone in the group when I say that this is a must read for all.

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