

## **Protest Racist Cop Murders:**

# **Don't Pray for Justice: Fight for Power!**

The centuries-old assumption that young black men are public enemy number one is still alive today. The recent Missouri rebellion over the police slaying of Mike Brown by Ferguson police builds on the anger from rebellions of the past all over the US, including most well-known, Oscar Grant and Trayvon Martin, and the pain of those less-known victims of police murder like Ezell Ford, killed by the LAPD in South LA this Monday. Because these aren't isolated incidents, this has touched a chord in street protests and social media that shows that the community is making sure that these don't go unnoticed.

### **Capitalism Needs Racism**

Racism is the life blood of capitalism. A very few rich people—way less than 1%—make their money off of the work of the 99+%. Racism allows them to make millions to keeping black and Latinos in the worst jobs, and all workers fighting each other over the crumbs. They use racist cops to keep us terrorized and racist lies to keep us from trusting each other and uniting against them. When they shoot a young black man, they criminalize him, making him look like a thug in the pictures they post in the media. It's the same lies they tell about every group—for example, Mexicans are stealing "our jobs" or "all white people are rich."



### **But the Bosses Have a Problem**

Racism works to terrorize us and keep us in line. But this is a problem for the bosses if they need us to believe in their system or fight in their wars. That's why Obama went on TV to tell the cops not to attack the demonstrators. That's why they sent in the Missouri State Highway Patrol (with a black captain) to take over from the Ferguson cops. They hope that a black president and black cops can make us believe in the system. But it's not our system. They can buy off a few black and Latino elected officials, but that's just decoration. The system is still based on racism.

### **We Need Communist Revolution**

That's why we can't be deceived by politicians or so-called leaders like Al Sharpton who tell us to pray for justice. We need to fight for power. We need to build a communist movement of workers, students and soldiers of all so-called races to fight for a system without money, bosses, cops or borders. Because we won't be ruled over by a few rich bosses, but will be building a society where we share what we produce, we can end racism. We won't be fighting each other, but working together for the good of all.

People who are angry about racist police murders are looking for answers, an end to racism and police terror. We know that capitalism can't end racism. It's going to take communist revolution to do that. We invite you to join with us, to read and write for our newspaper *Red Flag*, and contact us at [www.icwpredflag.org](http://www.icwpredflag.org) or 310-487-7674.

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