



Shannen Dee Williams addresses the Leadership Conference of Women Religious assembly in Atlanta in August 2016. (CNS/Georgia Bulletin/Michael Alexander)

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Global Sisters Report staff writer Dawn Araujo-Hawkins talks about how U.S. congregations of women religious are working to make amends for historically buying into a culture of racism.\* Later, NCR Bertelsen interns Maria Benevento and James Dearie provide updates on faith-based efforts to stem the tide of gun violence through initiatives like the Gun Violence Prevention Sabbath and a guide to non-violent holiday gifts for children.

## Show Notes

- We've been on book watch since 2015: [Shannen Dee Williams' forthcoming book, \*Subversive Habits\*](#), documents the history of black sisters in the U.S.
- At the LCWR conference in 2016, Williams [addressed internalized racism](#) in U.S. women religious' culture.
- [Dawn Araujo-Hawkins reports](#) on communities of women religious who are working to reconcile with their own history of institutionalized racism.
- Faiths United's annual [Sabbath against gun violence](#) rallies faith communities.
- One community's effort: St. Susanna Parish, located in a suburb of Boston, is [making a statement about gun violence](#) this year by including planks with the locations and death tolls of 16 mass shootings in their outdoor nativity scene.
- We say: [To stop gun violence, get organized and get vocal.](#)

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\* **Editor's note:** In the first half of the podcast, Dawn Araujo-Hawkins misspoke that Shannen Dee Williams' book is being published in 2018. NCR does not know the release date of *Subversive Habits*.

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