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The Land of Expression
David & Mutiya Vision, author
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Vision Works Publishing
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9780981625409, \$17.00

“The Land of Expression” is a wonderful book that deals with teaching values of respect, compassion, and celebrating differences. Suitable for children ages 5-10, “The Land of Expression” creates a world where colors are in control of everything. Unfortunately the colors have a problem accepting and celebrating one of their own. They fail to recognize the value and place of Black, and decide to exclude Black and say and do hateful, hurtful things about Black. Their narrowness of mind rebounds back on them, and they are forced to endure in a world without Black. Then they discover the true nature and value of Black, through their own painful experiences of lack. The solution comes about through the compassion of Black and the Mother Father Creator of the Universe. No one will be disappointed by the impact of “The Land of Expression”. No one who reads and experiences it can fail to be enriched deeply. The beautiful dark rainbowed paintings that illustrate “The Land of Expression” lend the perfect vivifying touch, bringing the story to life. A helpful Glossary of New Words at the end of “The Land of Expression” helps young readers enrich their vocabularies to deal with deeper learning. “The Land of Expression” is the most recent work in a values-teaching series by David and Mutiya Vision. They are the parents of seven children who live what they write about.