

## Personal Reflection: During the Pandemic

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I am sitting by the fire, on a cold April night in North Carolina, 2020. Thank you for sharing my thoughts and feelings in this twentieth day of utter, physical aloneness. I share this experience with 330 million of my fellow Americans, and with more millions of friends and colleagues around the world.

This is a *global* pandemic: We are one in this suffering. We Americans today feel the pain of the worldwide refugee populations: they without homes, we “locked down” in our own homes. We are one!

We in Global Learning Partners, Inc. have the honor of collaboration with global partners who are trying to teach and learn using DIALOGUE. This week I have received notes from Chile, Tanzania and Iran - friends saying how they are hunkering down with their families at home to keep safe and to keep others safe!

I myself am at home, living my quiet, retired life: praying in the morning, reading. This week I'm reading Walter Isaacson's *Leonardo da Vinci*. Wow! I'm watching a brilliant series from Canadian TV: *The Murdoch Mysteries!* Beautifully written and acted! I love a mystery!! I'm walking around my neighborhood on my walker when the sun comes out. I'm calling my family folk daily: just to say hello! AND OH JOY! I'm having A Zoom Lunch with my dear Paula on Wednesday, and a Zoom glass of wine with my dear Nancy on Friday.

What a good life! I am deeply grateful – to all of you!

