

Transcript of Interview with Nina by Vu

Interviewee: Lena

Interviewer: Thao Vu

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Abstract: The interviewer asks the interviewee three questions relating to their faith during the COVID-19 pandemic. The interviewee discusses how their faith has been affected, how they attend church, and what their church is doing to reach out and help communities during the pandemic.

Thao Vu 00:00

Recorded on this computer. Okay, its recording. So first of all, I want to say that this interview will be recorded and uploaded to the ASU COVID-19 archive project, which is public, do you understand and grant permission that this interview can be recorded and made public at the ASU website?

Lena 00:28

Yes,

Thao Vu 00:29

thank you. So, first of all, I would like you to introduce a bit about yourself, like your name, your major, and which university you're attending, and which religion you are too?

Lena 00:45

Your last question?

Thao Vu 00:47

which religion are you?

Lena 00:48

My name is [inaudible] go by Lena. Major is informatics. So I'm studying in the Department of State University. And my religion is [inaudible].

Thao Vu 01:08

Thank you. So for the first for a second question. It would be How has COVID 19 affected your faith or beliefs?

Lena 01:24

Well, it does affect my faith, but it actually strengthens. It makes me depend on God more. I believe that as humans, we're helpless about this virus thing. And I believe that God is the only one who can really protect us from it from it. But of course, if anything happened that, then I just want to believe that there must be a good plan and like everything, and have end up beautiful in time. Like, I believe that there is a reason for everything that happens.

Thao Vu 02:05

Thank you so much The for the third question. It will be is your religious community still gathering currently? How has COVID 19 affected your participation in your religious community?

Lena 02:22

Yes, my religious community is still gathering but online. So for instance, for Sunday services or morning prayers. Now they have it like live streamed through YouTube, or sometimes it's also through Facebook. So basically, me and my family will just gather and watch the live stream together.

Thao Vu 02:47

Thank you so much. I'm glad to hear that everything the activities are continuing. And for the last question, is your religious community supplying or engage in any kind of community service in an attempt to help alleviate issues caused by the pandemic is so what are those efforts?

Lena 03:12

Yeah, currently my church is accepting donations for the the victims of the virus and for poor people who cannot get the daily necessities or mask because the virus so basically, they let the congregation's to donate whatever they can donate and my family, we are trying to help with the donations too. But we're not really involved in the distribution. So basically, some of the church leaders are the ones who help in distributing the donations that they get from us.

Thao Vu 03:56

Thank you so much. That would be all the questions that I want to ask you in today's recording. I will stop the recording now.