



Dedicated to our entire Kinkaid Community during this trying time By Dr. Edward M. Trusty, Jr. March 20, 2020

I guess the world's gotten much smaller; experts have predicted that would be As we often race to our very own place, and are focused only on me My wants; my dreams; my very own needs; and, yes, only my cares Then we are reminded quite abruptly that our cares are very often shared And our experiences aren't only our own; billions of humans across the globe Are also coping with tragedy; no time to be a xenophobe We must embrace language of us and we, and connect with them and they Because on playgrounds across the world, children will choose to play With one another, freely; seeing but caring less about color or hair or eyes But they were gifted with a wisdom, that from within often gives rise To acceptance and embracing difference; as long as you are kind Treating one another with fairness; civility is hard to find. I implore us all to seek it, as we search for a universal cure To any of life's great ailments; and I am certain and for sure The foundation is in our embracing, thinking fondly of our fellow human And not racing to judgment; knowing us is greater than. "And a little child will lead them" is the wisdom of the day We are encouraged to follow their example; elevating us, embracing they. Children indeed have gifts and are wise beyond their years Living more carefree and ok with shedding a few tears When they are angry or are hurt or don't have the words to express Their confusion or pain or feelings under stress and even duress Let the heart of the children guide us; many hearts we've been blessed to mold Into amazing, world changing individuals; it's now our turn to be bold.

