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Coronavirus disease {COVID-19} is an infectious disease caused by a newly discovered corona virus. This disease started out as an epidemic in Wuhan, China in December 2019 and ended up as a pandemic affecting the whole world.

This is a transmitted disease from humans to other humans through body fluids. It can be transmitted through any form of body contact and our breathing. Most people that are infected with the COVID-19 virus will experience mild to moderate respiratory illness and recover without requiring special treatment. Older people, and those with underlying medical problems like cardiovascular disease, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease and cancer are more likely to develop serious illness.

Preventive measures should be taken to prevent the transmission of COVID-19. People should be well informed about the disease, wash hands regularly, social distancing, and avoid touching mouth, nose and eyes. There is no vaccine or treatment for this pandemic, so each and every one of use have been instructed to self isolate and this has lead to the lockdown and restrainment of movement around our society.

HOW THE LOCKDOWN HAS AFFECTED NIGERIANS

Religiously, the lockdown has resorted to people being restricted from worshiping in their place of worship either in the Church or Mosque. Now, Christians and Muslims can no longer worship together rather, people seek the internet for online worships and guidance in prayers. Church services are being aired live on television and social apps. In some homes, families have a gathering in the morning to fellowship with each other and keep their faith intact, but in some ways this has affected some people and where they stand with God as they see they can no longer go the their place of worship they are relaxed at home. This maybe because they are used to social gatherings for worship and cannot imagine to worship alone.

The lockdown has caused all educational institutions to shut down. No school is able to function properly according to their school calendar due to the pandemic which caused the lockdown. External and internal exams that are to be carried out during this period are put on hold. Because schools have been shutdown does not stop students from learning. Online classes are being help to keep students busy even at their homes.

People who work to survive from daily income; low income earners, can no longer carry out their work due to the lockdown. Businesses are shutdown for this period leaving these individual to starve as they see they can no longer work to feed themselves or their family daily. Workers such as petty traders, taxi drivers, barrow pushers, cleaners and brick layers.

In our country Nigeria, these problems we are facing has put the country in a major setback where as people can no longer pray in their place of worship and gather as one, students can no longer be in an educational environment where they can sort out books from the library or seek the help of a course mate easily, and also gain money to feed.