My Letter of Gratitude and Hope to a Synagogue Across the Country



Since stay-at-home orders went into effect due to the COVID-19 pandemic, I have enthusiastically and gratefully joined a few Shabbat services across the country every week. I've joined remote services in multiple cities within my home state of California, as well as in Virginia, North Carolina, and beyond.

Some of them have become my regular go-to services, and because I live on the West Coast, I am often able to participate in three or four Shabbat services each Friday night. In doing so, I've witnessed incredible innovation by rabbis, cantors, and other congregational leaders to bring Shabbat services into our homes in a substantive, meaningful way – and I'm so very grateful.

Through these services, I have had some amazing spiritual experiences, some









congregants is worthy of exploration by Reform Judaism and in the faith community at large.







