

# LCI BRIEFING 2021-FEB.

## Impulses ...

*Sometimes, as here, we share an eclectic mix in our Briefing. The first three pieces are from Fellows, and the last continues our small focus on climate issues. Enjoy the meal!*

### 'LOOK FOR THE LEADING CAUSES OF LIFE' (NCR)

Written for the National Civic Review (USA) by Gary Gunderson and Somava Saha, this short piece unpacks the LCL framework with the Well Being in the Nation (WIN) theory of change in addressing current questions about the implications of Covid-19 for civic life and equity.

*[Click on image or title - NOTE: Access to the site is **once** without membership]*



Photo: Theophilus Mudzindiko/PELUM Zimbabwe

### 'HOUSEHOLDER SEED HERITAGE' STORY INSPIRES

From PELUM Zimbabwe, led by LCLI Fellow Gertrude Pswarayi, comes this inspiring short report on Nelson Mudzingwa, a smallholder farmer from Masvingo Province, who helped create a centre of excellence at the Shashe Agroecology School and coordinates the Zimbabwe smallholder farmers' movement fighting for seed and food sovereignty.

*[Click on image or title]*

### 'WOUNDED HUMANITY & PLANET - ON HEALING & RECONCILIATION'

With special permission from Michael Lapsley, on Horst Klein-schmidt's strong recommendation, we share a piece Michael has just written for a Vatican magazine. His starting point is his own faith and his own significant wounds but, referring to his interviews with others from various parts of the world, it's clear that he means to include persons of any faith, or those of 'none'.

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(Image: World Youth Alliance Europe @ <https://www.wya.net/>)



### 'CLIMATE MODELS & BACH'S UNFINISHED FUGUE'

"Like Bach's *Contrapunctus XIV*, climate models are an unfinished piece of work. Yet, they should be considered as a breakthrough in science and a genuine piece of art." Continuing our theme, this short piece, from the European Geosciences Union, with a link to Glenn Gould playing Bach's fugue, has a surprisingly helpful picture - literally - of the grow-ing depth and com-plexity of climate change models.

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## For your use ...

### LCLI LinkedIn account ... join us!

Thanks to Carla Alvarado, we now have a LinkedIn account that allows for a more controlled interaction among our Fellows and quicker links to our and other congruent sites. Do join, at:

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/9017181/>

### 'Flip to Life' - Our YouTube Channel ... if you haven't subscribed yet, now's the time

Twenty-five are now up, including nice overviews of the Leading Causes of Life, and of Positive Deviance. If you haven't yet, it's worth a serious look at the rich and provocative discussion with Paul Laurienti, our 'resident neuroscientist,' about LCL and complexity science (see separate box).

*LCL/PD 'Flip to Life'*