

**Terrible Things are Happening**

*Terrible things are happening outside*

***My brother is bleeding out in Minneapolis streets.  
Shot 10 times for holding a phone.***

*Poor, helpless people are being dragged out of their homes.*

***My roommate is hiding in our apartment  
from the masked men at the door.***

*Families are being torn apart.*

***My neighbor is sitting in a cell in El Salvador,  
his wife and child don't know he's alive.***

*Men,*

***My friend is preparing to go to war for a man who wants him dead.***

*Women,*

***My cousin is in the bathroom closet, gripping her clothes.  
They want to see what she is hiding under there.***

*And children are separated.*

***My child is being taken in front of a court,  
have to tell them they belong.***

*Children come home from school*

***My teacher is being shoved in a van,  
her preschool students screaming as they watch.***

*to find that their parents have disappeared.*

***My sister was shot through the window of her car,  
her daughter is waiting in the pickup line.***

***My yard is burning,  
my house is burning,  
my school is burning,  
my neighborhood is burning.***

***My world is burning,  
and it's all going to go up in smoke.***

***Because terrible things are happening inside this country.***