# Rosicrucian Writers



**H. Spencer Lewis** (1883 - 1939)

There is nothing so inspiring, so filled with peace, happiness, perfect health, joy, and contentment as the development of the spiritual nature.

Co-founder of the Rosicrucian Order, AMORC, H. Spencer Lewis wrote more than two dozen books and booklets, many articles for magazines, which he also published, and the first monographs based on ancient manuscripts he had been allowed to view during his initiation into the Rosicrucian Tradition in France and through later inspirations.



### **Ralph Lewis**

(1904 – 1987)

Try to live life so that some part of each day will satisfy a healthy and natural desire. Ideally, contentment should be cumulative daily, not a sudden prize at the end of life.

Author, photographer, humanitarian, and Imperator of the Rosicrucian Order, AMORC from 1939 to 1987. He also wrote under his mystical name, Sar Validivar.





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#### **Christian Bernard**

(1952 – )

Let us learn to let go, to not allow ourselves to be overwhelmed by the circumstances and conditions of this world. Let us constantly remember that at the heart of ourselves, as at the heart of all human beings, there forever stands a silent and watchful guardian: the Master Within.



Christian Bernard has served as the Imperator of the Rosicrucian Order, AMORC since 1990 and has devoted his life to working tirelessly for the Order for five decades. He has written two books, *So Mote It Be!* and *Rosicrucian Reflections*, numerous articles, and many programs and discourses presented at Rosicrucian conventions.



#### **Ella Wheeler Wilcox**

(1850 - 1919)

Laugh, and the world laughs with you; Weep, and you weep alone.

These often-quoted lines were written by a young woman who was destined to become one of the world's most popular female poets as well as a great mystic and Rosicrucian. Ella Wheeler Wilcox served as a member of the Supreme Council of AMORC in its early days. Until her transition in 1919, Ella Wheeler Wilcox was instrumental in helping to establish the young Order in America.

This was her favorite photograph of herself.



#### Marie Corelli

(1855 - 1924)

# Unhappiness simply means life being put to the wrong uses.

Marie Corelli, a British writer and early feminist, was one of the most popular novelists of her time. Winston Churchill collected her works and she was Queen Victoria's favorite writer. Marie Corelli's father and grandfather had been prominent members of the Order in Italy. When she learned of the Rosicrucian Order, AMORC in America, she became a member.

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#### Lonnie Edwards, M.D.

Our thoughts are contagious and they create and manifest their own kind. To create an environment of mutual respect, right relations, happiness, and harmony, we should have the intention in our hearts that all human beings have the right to advance in life, and that they have the right to think and live the way they choose, as long as they do not interfere with the rights, privileges, and dignity of others.

## Elbert Hubbard

(1856 – 1915)

Character is the result of two things: mental attitude and the way we spend our time.

Elbert and Alice Hubbard were progressive philosophers and leaders of the influential Roycroft Arts and Crafts movement of East Aurora, New York that began in 1895. Elbert Hubbard was a prolific writer, publisher, and artist. He and H. Spencer Lewis were close personal friends. Elbert Hubbard served on the first Supreme Council of AMORC. In 1915, he wrote to H. Spencer Lewis promising further support upon his return from a lecture tour of Europe, however, he and Alice died aboard the torpedoed ship, the *Lusitania*.



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