

underprivileged, and the Social Welfare Center at the Society's headquarters. Radha was also chair of the Besant Education Fellowship, sponsoring several schools in India; founder and President of the New Life for India Movement, which has been working since 1968 for the promotion of right citizenship, right values, and the use of right means among Indians, especially through its journal *Wake Up, India*; and president of the Environmental Society, Madras.

From 1960 onward, Radha lectured throughout India and the world to members and the public on Theosophical, philosophical, environmental, and social issues. She was the guest speaker at many Theosophical conventions, congresses, and summer schools. She also spoke in universities and on the radio. As president of the Society, she was the editor of its international magazine, *The Theosophist*. Her editorials, called "On the Watch-Tower," treated topical themes with great insight and were frequently translated into other languages. Radha was the author of several books: *No Other Path to Go*; *Truth, Beauty and Goodness*; *The Way of Self-Knowledge*; *The Universal Yoga Tradition*; and *Human Regeneration*; as well as many articles in *The Theosophist* and were reprinted or translated in other Theosophical journals around the world.

Soon after Radha's election as Theosophical Society president, J. Krishnamurti accepted her invitation to visit the Adyar estate, after an interval of almost half a century. Thereafter, when in Madras, he was a frequent visitor to the estate. Burnier had known him since childhood and had a friendly relationship with him. Under her inspiration, many members of the Society recognized that Krishnamurti's teachings are fundamentally Theosophical, especially in their uncompromising openness to what is.

Burnier's aim was to invest the Theosophical Society with a renewed sense of purpose, social and ecological awareness, and a deeper spiritual insight. Consequently, she stressed social values and resistance to any form of corruption. She was committed to ecology, animal welfare and support for the downtrodden. Her life was thus one of applied Theosophy.