

challenges it represents. Through our involvement in the Society, I have met and befriended some wonderful people who have supported, encouraged and led me into new discoveries. They not only provide examples of living aware and creative lives but also make up a sample of that 'Nucleus'. These Theosophists are some of the most cherished and respected people in my life.

Additionally, reading about and considering diverse religious paths such as Ancient Egyptian esoteric lore, Gnosticism, the Sufi tradition and Buddhism for example, and how seemingly diverse esoteric views (throughout history as well as across cultures) can be fundamentally united by a Theosophical viewpoint, is a great and rewarding discovery for me. I relate to the words of the great Rumi:

"I have lived on the lip of insanity, wanting to know reasons, knocking at the door.

The door opens.

I have been knocking from the inside."

5. What is your favourite Theosophical book and why?

My 'favourite book' changes with time but currently our home group is exploring Geoffrey Hodson's *Sharing the Light*. It comprises short chapters dealing with deep esoteric subjects in simple but profound ways that are clear and easy to follow. English-born Geoffrey lived and worked in NZ for some of his life. Warwick and I were fortunate to live in his former home next to Vasanta House (TSNZ HQ) in Auckland when Warwick was National President of TSNZ.

6. What in your opinion is the biggest challenge the TS Adyar is facing at the moment?

Uniting very culturally diverse groups of TS members in the work of spreading Theosophy internationally and inspiring the demonstration of Theosophical values through the lives we live, must be the greatest challenge.

7. Is there anything you would wish for the future of the Theosophical Movement?

I wish for forward looking approaches, grounded in the present, that will: