

## THE UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS

### Declaration

The policy of this Lodge is independent devotion to the cause of Theosophy, without professing attachment to any Theosophical organization. It is loyal to the great Founders of the Theosophical movement, but does not concern itself with dissensions or differences of individual opinion.

The work it has on hand and the end it keeps in view are too absorbing and too lofty to leave it the time or inclination to take part in side issues. That work and that end is the dissemination of the fundamental principles of the Philosophy of Theosophy, and the exemplification in practice of those principles, through a truer realization of the SELF; a profounder conviction of Universal Brotherhood.

It holds that the unassailable basis for union among Theosophists, wherever and however situated, is "similarity of aim, purpose and teaching," and therefore has neither Constitution, By-Laws nor Officers, the sole bond between its Associates being that basis. And it aims to disseminate this idea among Theosophists in the furtherance of Unity.-

It regards as Theosophists all who are engaged in the true service of Humanity, without distinction of race, creed, sex, condition or organization, and

It welcomes to its association all those who are in accord with its declared purposes and who desire to fit themselves, by study and otherwise, to be the better able to help and teach others.

"The true Theosophist belongs to no cult or sect, yet belongs to each and all."

The following is the form signed by Associates of the United Lodge of Theosophists:

*Being in sympathy with the purposes of this Lodge, as set forth in its "Declaration," I hereby record my desire to be enrolled as an Associate, it being understood that such association calls for no obligation on my part, other than that which I, myself, determine.*

### U.L.T. Worldwide Locations

Antwerp, Belgium  
Athens, Greece  
Bangaluru (Bangalore), India  
Dijon, France  
Douala, Cameroon  
Guadalajara, Mexico  
Jacmel, Haiti  
London, England  
London, Ontario, Canada  
Long Beach, California, US  
Los Angeles, California, US  
Los Angeles (East), California, US  
Malmö, Sweden  
Mexico City, Mexico

Mumbai (Bombay), India  
New York City, New York, US  
Paris, France  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, US  
Phoenix, Arizona, US  
San Diego, California, US  
San Francisco, California, US  
Santa Barbara, California, US  
Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic  
The Hague, Netherlands  
Turin, Italy  
Washington, DC (VA), US

***There is no religion higher than truth***

*To spread broadcast the teachings of Theosophy as recorded in the writings of H. P. Blavatsky and William Q. Judge*

## ***Theosophy*** **The Art of Living & The Science of Life**

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### Forgetting the self in Working for Others

It is divine philosophy alone, the spiritual and psychic blending of man with nature, which, by revealing the fundamental truths that lie hidden under the objects of sense and perception, can promote a spirit of unity and harmony in spite of the great diversities of conflicting creeds. Theosophy, therefore, expects and demands from the Fellows of the Society a great mutual toleration and charity for each other's shortcomings, ungrudging mutual help in the search for truths in every department of nature—moral and physical. And this ethical standard must be unflinchingly applied to daily life.

"Theosophy should not represent merely a collection of moral verities, a bundle of metaphysical ethics, epitomized in theoretical dissertations. Theosophy must be made practical; and it has, therefore, to be disencumbered of useless digressions, in the sense of desultory orations and fine talk. Let every Theosophist only do his duty, that which he can and ought to do, and very soon the sum of human misery, within and around the areas of every Branch of your Society, will be found visibly diminished. Forget SELF in working for others—and the task will become an easy and a light one for you.

*Some Words on Daily Life (by a Master of Wisdom), Lucifer, Oct. 1887*

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Sundays 11am - 12pm on GOOGLE MEET

(<https://meet.google.com/ndp-tshi-mzi>)

TALKS or round table discussions on THE KEY TO THEOSOPHY.

Talks will be followed at 12:05pm on Sundays by discussion of a selected devotional book, currently *From the Book of Images*.

### April

- 6 Antiquity of Man\*
- 13 *Studies in the Secret Doctrine*
- 20 The Sun and Planets & study class on  
*From The Book of Images*
- 27 *Studies in the Secret Doctrine*

### May

- 4 White Lotus Day\* & study class on  
*From the Book of Images*
- 11 *Studies in the Secret Doctrine*
- 18 The Heart Doctrine & study class on  
*From the Book of Images*
- 25 *Studies in the Secret Doctrine*

### June

- 1 ULT DAY\* & study class on  
*From the Book of Images*
- 8 *Studies in the Secret Doctrine*
- 15 Mahatmas As Ideals & Facts & study class on  
*From the Book of Images*
- 22 *Studies in the Secret Doctrine*
- 29 Karma and Karmic Agents & study class on  
*From the Book of Images*

\* from the ULTDC platform in Manassas, VA

U.L.T. meetings are open to all interested individuals. There are no fees, dues, or collections, the Lodge being sustained by voluntary contributions in time, work and money. All are welcome to participate, but no solicitations are ever made.

## Will, Desire, and Self-Knowledge

Will is the offspring of the Divine, the God in man; Desire the motive power of the animal life. Most men live in and by desire, mistaking it for will. But he who would achieve must separate will from desire, and make his will the ruler; for desire is unstable and ever changing, while will is steady and constant. Both will and desire are absolute creators, forming the man himself and his surroundings. But will creates intelligently—desire blindly and unconsciously. The man, therefore, makes himself in the image of his desires, unless he creates himself in the likeness of the Divine, through his will, the child of the light.

His task is twofold: to awaken the will, to strengthen it by use and conquest, to make it absolute ruler within his body; and, parallel with this, to purify desire.

Knowledge and will are the tools for the accomplishment of this purification.

The first necessity for obtaining self-knowledge is to become profoundly conscious of ignorance; to feel with every fibre of the heart that one is ceaselessly self-deceived.

The second requisite is the still deeper conviction that such knowledge — such intuitive and certain knowledge — can be obtained by effort.

The third and most important is an indomitable determination to obtain and face that knowledge.

Self-knowledge of this kind is unattainable by what men usually call “self-analysis.” It is not reached by reasoning or any brain process; for it is the awakening to consciousness of the Divine nature of man. To obtain this knowledge is a greater achievement than to command the elements or to know the future.

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— Notes from Lucifer, 1887 to 1891

## OBJECTS OF THE THEOSOPHICAL MOVEMENT

I. To form the nucleus of a Universal Brotherhood of humanity, without distinction of race, creed, sex, caste, or color;

II. The study of ancient and modern religions, philosophies and sciences, and the demonstration of the importance of such study; and

III. The investigation of the unexplained laws of Nature and the psychical powers latent in man.