



## MEMBER STORY

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Before coming into any knowledge of the Rosicrucian Order, AMORC, I was going through what seemed like a life crisis for approximately three years prior.

I was forced to leave full-time employment due to the uncertain status of my health. My health seemed to be deteriorating even though doctors could find nothing physically wrong with me. I could not focus on what I needed to do at work or even in my personal activities. My cumulative financial status was rapidly deteriorating. I became overly worried that I was on my way to becoming a pauper at a young age. Nothing was making sense. I seemed to be in a state of confusion without any hope of finding answers to questions I did not even know existed. The questions were about self-discovery – who am I? I needed answers to questions concerning my purpose in life and what it is I needed to accomplish. In all my forty-three years of life at that time I had never learned answers to those types of questions, even though I was a member of the Anglican Christian faith.

I sought answers from different kinds of activities with the church, social networking, volunteering, transcendental meditation, and even practicing yoga. Too often, my regular conversations with my family and friends became unfulfilling.

Then, in 1998, I came upon an ad in a magazine about the Rosicrucian Order, which invited me to write for information to join in order to get answers. I submitted my request and joined. My membership with AMORC has set the path for my growth to what I am today. I still encounter ups and downs. The difference now is I know what to do to get answers.