



Festive Hope

"There is no medicine like hope,
no incentive so great,
no tonic so powerful,
as expectation of something tomorrow."

I came across these words
completely by chance
and I'm sure the writerⁱ
won't mind that I borrow.

They set the tone for today,
where despite the screaming headlines
shouting that 'the world is on fire',
it's mainly the media meeting their deadlines.

More people are living in peace.
the world is not 'cooking to death'.
Carry these thoughts with you,
as we close off another year.

Resolve to write your own headlines,
packed with your own positive energy.
Insulate yourself from purveyors of doom,
chase them off and watch them run in fear.

Join us in welcoming another great year!

Ron

ⁱ Orison Swett Marden