

January 28, 1981

The Reverend  
Father Parea Metjian, Pastor  
St. Leon Armenian Church  
12-61 Saddle River Road  
Fair Lawn, New Jersey 07410

Dear Der Hayr:

Enclosed please find, as requested, a copy of the  
Sunday School Students lists received from the New  
England area parishes.

Please do not hesitate to let me know if I can be  
of any further assistance. Best wishes for a successful  
Camp!

Yours respectfully,

Vivian Vartoukian

Enclosures

December 2, 1981

Mrs. Ruth Bedevian  
266 Meadowbrook Road  
Wyckoff, New Jersey 07481

Dear Ruth:

At the conclusion of our New Jersey regional meeting on November 19, we were pleasantly surprised by Sarkis' presentation of an album encompassing the publicity releases and photographs of the dedication of St. Leon Armenian Church community center.

You are to be commended for your diligence regarding this event as well as all others at St. Leon.

We are thankful to God for your efforts and the fruits of your labor.

Many thanks for your thoughtfulness in sending this album to us which will be a constant reminder of the wonderful work achieved by the St. Leon parish.

May God bless you and your loved ones always.

Prayerfully,

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian  
Primate

March 8 1982

The Rev. Father Parea Metjian  
Pastor, St. Leon Armenian Church  
12-61 Saddle River Rd.  
Fairlawn, New Jersey 07410

Dear Father Parea:

This is to confirm your appointment as Administrative Director for the 1982 ACYOA St. Vartan Camp. We have every confidence in you to continue in earnest the ideals and goals of the ACYOA Camp Program again this year.

The Executive Secretary to the ACYOA shall be in touch with you regarding details and other necessary information. We expect another successful year for the St. Vartan Camp, as we continue to develop this worthwhile ACYOA program.

As noted in the "Guidelines", a full report is expected following the completion of the Camp Program, and should be co-filed with the Camp Program Director.

Prayerfully,

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian  
Primate

August 11, 1982

The Rev. Fr. Patee Metjian  
St. Leon Armenian Church  
12-61 Saddle River Road  
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

Dear Fr. Patee:

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for your courtesy in meeting with James Magarian ACYOA Executive Secretary, Mark Kazanjian, ACYOA Central Council Chairman, and me on Monday, August 9, 1982 to discuss St. Vartan ACYOA Camp. In my estimation the points of discussion were most constructive and helped to clarify certain details about the camp and the activities that took place during the 1982 season.

As repeated several times at the meeting, I wish to reiterate that there should be no doubt that all of us have a sincere interest in the future progress of the camp and the Armenian youth in our church communities.

In regard to the funds from the St. Vartan camp which are presently deposited in an account outside the Diocese, it would be most appreciated if within the next ten (10) days these funds be rightfully transferred to the Diocese to be set up in a restricted account labeled "ACYOA St. Vartan Camp" and another for "ACTOA St. Vartan Camp Scholarship Fund."

Concerning funds at your disposal for any camp expense, we can readily agree on a petty cash system or immediate reimbursement of expenses either direct or to you.

We must keep in contact regarding any future camp matters to avoid duplication of effort and to allow us to perform our duties more effectively. Your prompt attention to matters requiring action would be most appreciated.

Yours truly,

cc:

Mr. Mark Kazanjian

Archbishop Torkom Maneogian

Mr. James Magarian

Fr. Mampre Kouzouian, Chairman  
Diocesan Council

FR. KARENIN KASPARIAN

Frank Avakian Stoneson  
Executive Director



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ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH  
*Rev. Patee Metjian, Pastor*

May 14, 1983

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate  
Diocese of the Armenian Church  
630 Second Avenue  
New York, N.Y. 10016

Dear Surpazan Hayr:

On Sunday, May 22, 1983 St. Leon Armenian School will hold  
hobd; their annual Hantess. For the first time, our school  
will have graduates.

To celebrate this occasion, on behalf of Parish Council, I  
wish to invite you. Hope your Eminence will be able to attend.

Enclosed find the letter addressed to me.

I would like hearing from you.

Prayerfully yours,

*Rev. Patee Metjian*  
Rev. Patee Metjian



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ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH  
Rev. Patee Metjian, Pastor

December 16, 1983

Mr. Frank Avakian Stoneson  
Executive Director  
Diocese of The Armenian Church  
of America  
630 Second Avenue  
New York, New York 10016

Dear Mr. Stoneson:

We wish to acknowledge receiving your letter of December 5 informing our parish council of the Primate's request to have Fr. Patee, our Pastor to be Camp Director for St. Vartan Camp in 1984.


I can assure you that our parish council members recognize the importance of St. Vartan Camp Program and will be supportive of this assignment as we have been in the past.

With reference to the fifth paragraph of your letter and the needs of our parish during our Pastor's two weeks absence, we assume that clergy will be made available to us for the two Sundays in question through the Diocesan office and the appropriate expenses for the clergy will be met either through the Diocese or through the St. Vartan Camp Program.

In addition, we are sure you will recognize that Fr. Patee's assignment to the camp program does not begin and end with his two week absence from our parish. It does require considerable amount of his time and effort prior to the camp season. Again this is not a serious problem from our point of view. We do feel however that his activities as a Camp Director should not include fund raising activity for the camp and that the financial needs for the camp program should be dealt with either through the Diocesan budget or through the St. Vartan Camp Committee itself. We trust that the committee will take appropriate steps to relieve Fr. Patee of any fund raising responsibilities so he may concentrate his efforts in planning for the camp season and making it a success in all other aspects.

We would appreciate your confirmation that our understanding of the above points are not in conflict with the understanding you have or those of the Primate.

Respectfully yours,

  
Sarkis Soultanian  
Parish Council Chairman

cc: Archbishop Torkom Manoogian,  
Primate ✓  
cc: Rev. Fr. Patee Metjian



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ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH  
Rev. Pree Metjian, Pastor

February 22, 1984

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian  
Diocese of the Armenian Church  
630 Second Avenue  
New York, N.Y. 10016

Dear Surpazan Hayr:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Armen Shahinian who will marry on Sunday, June 23, 4:00 P.M. at St. Leon Armenian Church. I wish to extend an invitation to participate in the wedding ceremony.

A reception will follow in the Community Center, whereby you are cordially invited to attend.

I will be pleased to hear from you stating if you will be able to attend.

Wishing you well, I remain

Prayerfully yours,

Rev. Pree Metjian  
Pastor

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February 23, 1984

The Reverend Father Parea Matjian  
Pastor, St. Leon Armenian Church  
12-61 Saddle River Road  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

Dear Father Parea:

Please note that since the Canadian parishes are now under the jurisdiction of the newly formed Canadian Diocese, they are no longer required to participate at the annual assemblies held by our Diocese. They will hold their own assembly.

Therefore, in the future they should receive no invitations or other literature in connection with the Assembly in Fair Lawn.

May the Lord bless you and all those who work for the welfare of His Church.

Prayerfully,

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian  
Primate

cc. Parish Council Chairman



February 29, 1984

The Reverend Father Parea Metjian  
Pastor, St. Leon Armenian Church  
12-61 Saddle River Road  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

Dear Father Parea:

H.E. Archbishop Torkom Manogian has accepted your 1983 parish annual report, and enclosed is his letter of approval.

However, there are a few discrepancies which require your immediate attention:

- a) In Section I of Financial Report the total amount of Receipts and Donations should be \$63,532.67 instead of \$63,542.67. Consequently, the total receipts on page two of the same report should be \$253,304.93 instead of \$253,207.43, a variance of \$97.50.
- b) The election of the assembly officers were not held in accordance with Article 14 (a) and (b) of the Bylaws.
- c) The Parish Council report is presented in the first person, singular, on behalf of the chairman. Since this is the report of a group of elected officers, it would be advisable to have it prepared for the signatures of the President (Priest) and the Secretary, in addition to the Chairman.

Please consider the above points in preparing your next year's report and thanks.

Respectfully,

Michael M. Kermian  
Director

cc. Parish Council Chairman

April 25, 1984

The Reverend Father Patee Metjian  
Pastor, St. Leon Armenian Church  
12 61 Saddle River Road  
Fair Lawn, New Jersey 07410

Dear Father Patee:

H.E. Archbishop Torkom Manougian asked me to respond to your letter dated February 22, and confirm his pastoral visit to Fair Lawn parish the week end of September 15.

Regarding the four Minor Orders and the ordinations of Manuk Chapan and Dr. Berdj Feredjian to the order of Deacon, His Eminence will appreciate if you will get in touch with him int he near futre to work out the details, as was suggested in your letter.

With prayers,

Father Houssig Bagdasian  
Vicar General

May 13, 1985

Mr. John Nakashian, Chairman  
St. Leon Armenian Church  
12-61 Saddle River Road  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

Dear Mr. Nakashian;

As a follow up to our recent conversation with you and representatives of the parish of St. Leon, we are pleased to advise you that we met with Fr. Arshen Aivazian concerning the pastorate of St. Leon parish.

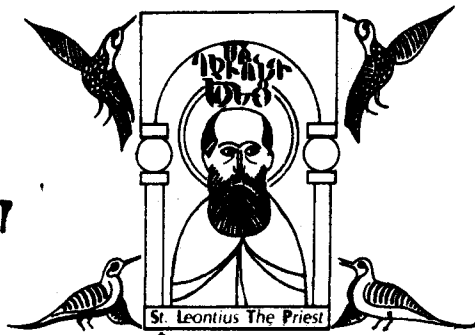
If the parish council wishes to consider offering Fr. Arshen the position, we suggest that you contact him and discuss the conditions of his appointment. It would be advisable to put in writing the details of the arrangement. The letter should be addressed to Fr. Arshen Aivazian, signed by the parish council chairman as well as by the Secretary. Under the letter, Fr. Arshen should indicate his agreement, sign it, and mail it to us, in order to present it to the Diocesan Council, and inform you of our final decision.

May the Lord bless you and guide you always.

Prayerfully,

Archbishop Torkom Manougian  
Primate

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The Rev. Father Arshen Aivazian  
Parish Priest

April 29, 1987

Diocese of the Armenian Church  
630 Second Avenue  
New York, N.Y. 10016

His Eminence  
Archbishop Torkom Manoogian

His Eminence,

I am enclosing, for your convenience, the names, addresses  
and phone numbers of our Parish Council for the 1987-  
88 church year.

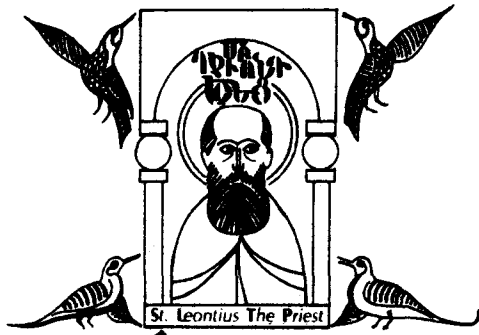
Yours in Christ,

*Fr. Arshen Aivazian*

Fr. Arshen Aivazian

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The Rev. Father Arshen Aivazian  
Parish Priest

September 18, 1987

The Very Rev. Haigazoun Najarian  
Acting Vicar, Diocese of the Armenian Church  
630 Second Avenue  
New York, N.Y. 10016

Dear Fr. Haigazoun,

The Parish Council discussed the letter concerning your request for us to forward a \$1000.00 "assessment" toward the fund for the reconstruction of St. Houhannes Church of Sissian.

It is our understanding that originally the Diocesan Council pledged \$30,000.00 for this project as a gift from the Diocese on the occasion of His Holiness Vasken I's 30th consecration anniversary. To raise this fund each parish was asked to make appropriate announcements through parish publications seeking donations. This we did and whatever contributions were made were sent directly to the Diocese.

At this time we feel there is no further obligation on our part and the use of the word "assessment" is misapplied, since no such decision was made by the Diocesan Assembly, to the best of our knowledge.

Wishing you the best in your endeavors, we remain

Sincerely yours,

Fr. Arshen Aivazian, Pastor

Arthur Ohnikian, Chairman