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September 6, 1983

His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian 630 Second Avenue New York City, NY 10016

Eminence:

As per our telephone conversation while I was in New York, as well as after reading your letter upon returning from vacation: I want to assure you that I was invited by Fr. Sooren to take part in the Medzigian wedding which has now been scheduled for September 17th. Thus enclosed you will find a photocopy of the post-card invitation from Fr. Sooren.

Your servant in Christ,

Kevork Kahana Arakelian

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Parish Priest

Dear Fit. George,

I hope that you as well as the members of your family are in the best of health.

I have the pleasure to extend to you invitation to take part in Michelle Medzikian's wedding ceremony scheduled for Socturday, August 27, 1983.

Our Trimate is also invited since he will be visiting our Parish on that weekend.

Fr. Sooren

September 30, 1986

Dr. A. Kachadourian
Corresponding Secretary
St. Gregory The Illuminator Church
12 Corbett Avenue
Binghamton, NY 13903

Dear Dr. Kachadourian:

Thank you for your letter of August 28, regarding the leave entitlement and taxes for pastors.

The clergy pay their own estimated taxes and social security payments, and the parish should have and pay premiums for Workmen's Compensation Policy for the priest and any other employee on their payroll.

With regard to the annual leave entitlement of a pastor, arriving to serve at a parish in the middle of the year, the pastor is entitled to take half of his annual leave entitlement from the parish he is leaving, and the other half from the new parish he is joining. However, if he joins a parish at the end of the year, then he will be entitled to his annual leave after serving six months.

I hope the above answers your questions. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me for any queries you may have.

With prayers,

Fr. Khajag Barsamian Vicar General PEOPLE MAKE THE DIFFERENCE
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August 28, 1986

Very Reverend Father Khajag Barsamian, Vicar General 630 Second Avenue, New York, New York 10016

Dear Father Barsamian:

At our Last Parish Council meeting, a number of issues arose which required clarification.

When a priest arrives to serve at a church in the middle of the year, is he entitled to a two-week vacation, even though he has served only six months?

Since priests are self employed at all the churches under the Diocese, are we obligated to pay Workman's Compensation and Social Security taxes for the priests? Accordingly, all self-employed individuals must file estimated taxes and pay their own social security taxes.

We the Parish Council would appreciate answers to these pertinent questions at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely.

A. Kachadourian, M.D. Corresponding Secretary