

1451 East 33 Street
Cleveland, Ohio 44114
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Dear Church School Friend:

In humility, I accepted the responsibility of Superintendent of our Church Sunday School. As the days passed, and as our plans progressed, I was moved by the concern for our children in the community and the interest in perpetuating the Christian spirit that has been the soul of our ancient humble Church.

We have before us our traditional past and a challenge of the changing present...there is a need to look at our values...to place priorities...the enclosed article can express the need for "sowing seeds" of religion in the young and as a Church School worker, you are important in that endeavor to reach out to our young. Leadership can be only as effective as those who serve together. We have a wonderful group of workers...with marvelous backgrounds lending enrichment to our Church School, benefiting each child who attends.

I am truly grateful to you for accepting the responsibility. If there is any time that you would like to talk with me regarding the Church School, please feel free to be in touch with me at any time.

Mrs. Goekjian is like the Godmother of our Church School, as through her initial efforts, years ago, we formulated. It is an honor to have her as one we can turn to for educational guidance.

CHURCH SCHOOL WORKSHOP SEMINAR

On Saturday, September 11, 1971, 1:00 through 4:00 P.M.,
a Workshop will be held to review Christian concepts according to the doctrine of the Armenian Church and discussion will take place of teaching methods and materials.
IT IS VITAL THAT YOU ATTEND. Mark that day on your calendar.

All teachers, Assistants, Officers, Parish Council members, and concerned people will be urged to attend.

REGISTRATION SUNDAY (September 12, 1971) will be discussed. More information regarding our Seminar will be forthcoming.

Again, may I thank you for taking part and may we have a fruitful Church School year.

Sincerely,

Anna Karayan
Superintendent

CC: Parish Council

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RELIGION CALLED VITAL TO SELF IDENTITY

If people are to regain their identity, the revival of religion is essential, Barry Ulanov, professor of English at Barnard College, said at the Cardinal Newman Day dinner last night at the Hotel Statler Hilton.

"When we talk of religion, we talk of the survival of western man," he said, "because the values of western man are tied to religion...the understanding of human potential and worth."

Ulanov, is a convert to Catholicism, a philosopher and a jazz music critic. The annual dinner is sponsored by the Newman Campus Ministry of the Cleveland Catholic Diocese.

Ulanov said the rituals of hate and violence of today are the product of a great failure within ourselves to know who we are. "There is the same living emptiness in us," Ulanov said, comparing society today to the walking dead of science fiction, the zombies.

He said the drug scenes of today have the same motivation behind them as religion -- man is looking for the same consciousness.

The communes, the pot rituals, the riots in the ghettos all have "this kind of understanding and reconciliation to the human condition." They're all looking for self, he said.

** Because of permissive parents the rites of identity searching has been postponed into later college years, he said.

Though pessimistic about the shape of the world, he added that "we will get better, but slowly."

** Church School attendance opens doors to religious learning.. parental participation and encouragement enriches child's secure feeling while learning and taking part. This is a continuous learning process...Christian education goes on through life...