

October 13, 1972

The Rev. Michael Buttero  
Pastor  
✓ Holy Trinity Armenian Church  
101 Ashmead Road  
Cheltenham, Pennsylvania

Dear Father Michael:

The Council for Religious Education is planning its fall Teacher-Training programs. As you know, last year's programs met with considerable success. It is the Council's hope to continue in that same manner by providing our Church school teachers with new and better ideas and aids for the benefit of our children.

The Council has tentatively scheduled a teacher-training Conference Workshop at Holy Trinity church on Saturday, November 18, 1972. The Council hopes that this date would be suitable for your teachers and staff members. Also invited would be the teachers of the Wynnewood parish Church school.

The Conference Workshop is open to all interested members of your parish. It is expected that you will encourage your teachers and staff to attend, as well as extend invitations to the youth, especially, to be present.

As noted earlier, the Council expects the parish to contribute to an honorarium for the conference leaders. Miss Valerie Goekjian and Daniel Kochakian, both of whom are seminarians of our Diocese, will conduct the Workshop. Valerie and Daniel are well-qualified to conduct such programs, and will be able to answer many of the queries and concerns of your staff.

The following tentative schedule has been arranged for the Workshop. It is flexible, and can be altered if necessary.

Registration	10:30 am
Beginning of Workshop	11:00 am
Close of Workshop	3:30 pm

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We would like for you to serve a light lunch to the conference participants, if at all possible.

This year's Workshops are being arranged around a particular theme. The theme for the Workshop, which will be the main focus of the sessions, will be "Ways to Teach about Theophany (Christmas) and the Baptism of Our Lord." The leaders will also deal with Curriculum Renewal, and any local problems which the teachers may wish to raise.

We certainly hope that November 18 is suitable for you and your staff. Further details about the Workshop, as well as more information about the arrivals of the leaders, will be forthcoming upon receipt of your confirmation of the date.

I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Louise Kalemkerian  
Executive Secretary

cc: Mr. John Mirakian  
Chairman

May 25, 1973

The Reverend Michael Buttero  
Pastor  
Holy Trinity Armenian Church  
101 Ashmead Road  
Cheltenham, Pennsylvania 19012

Dear Father Michael:

A copy of the May 17, 1973 letter from the Detroit ACYOA Seniors, addressed to Mr. Kaiserian, was forwarded to us.

We wanted to communicate to you as promptly as possible our general agreement with the position taken in the letter. We feel that the Sports Weekend should be directed to the Seniors, since aiming it at a varied age range would inevitably dilute the effect and purpose.

Please bring our position to the attention of Mr. Kaiserian and the Committee charged with organizing the weekend.

We hope and pray for your success.

Prayerfully,

Archbishop Torkom Manougian  
Primate

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# Armenian Church Youth Organization of America

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May 17, 1973

Mr. Edward P. Kaiserian, Chairman  
A.C.Y.O.A. 4th Annual Sports Weekend  
4801 Old York Road  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19141

Dear Mr. Kaiserian,

It is our desire that the Fourth Annual A.C.Y.O.A. Sports Weekend to be held in East Philadelphia be an overwhelming success. We all agree that the object of this activity is to bring together the A.C.Y.O.A. Chapters of various Armenian communities.

We, the members of the Detroit Chapter of the A.C.Y.O.A. totally agree with the sentiments of Der Nersess and the entire Assembly of Delegates who convened on May 5 in Worcester, Massachusetts, that Sports Weekend is a function of the A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors, and is neither intended nor suited for A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors. Sports Weekend should bring together the young adult segment of our Church. We know that the presence of the Juniors makes our Senior members who are reaching their mid-twenties, feel old and out of place. This further discourages them from being part of their local chapter's meetings, and functions. Yet we hope you agree with us that these members are the core of our organizations, not the "Over-the-Hill Gang".

The members of the Detroit A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors are so strong in their concern for a successful, enjoyable, and responsibly held Sports Weekend, that if the A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors are allowed to attend, we, the members of the Detroit Chapter of the A.C.Y.O.A., with unanimous decision, voted at our May 14th meeting, will neither support nor participate in the Fourth Annual A.C.Y.O.A. Sports Weekend.

It is our desire that you will discharge your responsibilities accordingly and exclude participation of the Juniors. We ask that any literature specify that Sports Weekend is exclusively a Senior function.

Our next meeting will be held on June 4th and we will appreciate receiving your decision by that date. In case we receive an unfavorable decision we will

put into action the thought of communicating our opinion regarding this matter to the Chapters represented at the May 5th meeting of A.C.Y.O.A. held in Worcester.

Sincerely,

On behalf of Detroit A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors

*Fr. Paren Avedikian*  
Very Rev. Fr. Paren Avedikian  
President

*Harry Megerian*

Harry Megerian  
Chairman

*Sandra Kazarian*  
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Secretary

cc: His Grace, Archbishop  
Torkom Manoogian  
Rev. Fr. Nersess Jebejian  
Rev. Fr. Michael Buttero

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June 10, 1975

Mr. Avedis Boornazian  
417 Sycamore Avenue  
Merion Station, Pennsylvania 19066

Dear Mr. Boornazian:

We rejoice in the recognition being accorded to you by the Armenian Church Youth Organization of America. We share the respect and admiration they must feel for you, both as a person and as a servant of your Church and people. Your long and devoted service to both our parishes in Philadelphia; the valuable work you have done for the Diocese; the material contributions you have made; all of them together mark you as a man dear to us all.

We rejoice that others, in their awareness of this, have undertaken to communicate their feelings to you, publicly and in the presence of all. Such appreciation is too often left unexpressed.

But of greatest moment, it seems to us, is that this particular recognition comes from our young people, the sons and daughters, the grandsons and granddaughters of our Church, so to speak. And in all of a man's experience, what could be more fulfilling than the love and admiration his children feel for him?

You are deserving of this recognition, and fortunate in having received it.

May God bless you and your loved ones always.

Prayerfully,

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian  
Primate

Very Rev. Arshen Aivazian  
Pastor

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**HOLY TRINITY ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH**  
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May 28, 1975

His Eminence  
Abp. Torkom Manoogian  
Primate, Diocese of the  
Armenian Church  
630 Second Avenue  
New York, New York 10016

Your Eminence,

We are sorry to hear that due to previous arrangements you will not be able to preside over the Testimonial Banquet for Mr. Avedis Boornazian.

In regard to your suggestion to use the Awards Point System for Mr. Boornazian's formal recognition, we feel that such an award should be given at a Testimonial on the parish level and should be tendered by the Parish Council.

Since the Testimonial being planned for September 21 is tendered by the ACYOA, a formal recognition of the fact from Your Eminence may be more appropriate.

Yours in Christ,

*Fr. Arshen Aivazian*  
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