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Dear Jack,

I've tried to get you several times on the phone, but you certainly are a busy man to contact. For that reason, I decided to write this letter to you.

Since you spoke to me regarding the Stewardship Program, I have given it a great deal of thought. I have also spoken to many people, both in the New York area, and out of town. My questions regarded what their feelings were on being a part of the program, and also to some, I asked if they would be willing to work on this project if offered. The responses I received were very disheartening.

Through these answers, and from the further thought I have given the program, I do not feel that I would be the proper person to handle this assignment. I realize how important a project of this kind is to the Diocese, and I would not want to jeopardize its success by my improper handling.

Please understand my reasons for asking out of your request. I personally feel that I can be of greater use to you, and to myself, by giving my efforts to any program concerting our Youth. At present, I am working with Father Nerces on the preparation of activities and rules for the ACYOA Sports Weekend. I feel I am better qualified in this area and can give a fuller effort.

Mack, I respect you and your efforts towards our Diocese very much, and I feel badly refusing your request. However, I feel it is better for all concerned for me to serve you in some other way.

Respectfully,

Puzant Babikian

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