

Armenian Church Youth Organization of America

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate

September 3, 1987

The Religious Programming Committee submits the following resolution:

WHEREAS;

The ACYOA Central Council in conjunction with the Diocese has reimplemented the Mission Program; and

WHEREAS;

The program serves a vital function in the continuation and growth of the Armenian Church.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT;

The ACYOA Central Council institutionalizes the program as it is currently outlined in the Plan for Parish Mission Program and appoint and direct the Religious Education Committee with the task of insuring its staffing and implementation on a continual basis.

WHEREAS;

There exists a void in the fellowship and worship among the young adults in our churches, almost everywhere, due to the lack of their regular and predictable attendance; and

WHEREAS:

There exists no ongoing schedule or program to encourage young adults to attend church and worship together regularly and in a predictable fashion; and

WHEREAS:

It is desirable to provide for young adults a predictable schedule and opportunity of worshipping and meeting with their colleagues;



Central Council

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The third Sunday of each month be designated as "Sunday for Young Adults" in all parishes of the Eastern Diocese.

WHEREAS:

The revitalization of the ACYOA has been on the forefront of our concern; and

WHEREAS:

There exists no ongoing program for the education and motivation of the leaders of the local chapters; and

WHEREAS:

There is a need to brief, update, educate and motivate the incoming executive officers and provide training and leadership which would be beneficial both to the individual officers and to their chapters;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The ACYOA Central Council and Executive Secretary shall institute an ongoing leadership training program for the executive officers of each ACYOA chapter on an annual basis.

WHEREAS:

There is a continual need for Spritual renewal and growth; and

WHEREAS:

We are a Christian based organization with the responsibility to uphold and continue the tradition of the Armenian Church.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The ACYOA Central Council direct the Religious Education Committee with⁵ developing guidelines and a budget for partly subsidized regional retreats open to all youth of the Armenian Church of America to assist in their Spritual growth.

WHEREAS:

There is a need for understanding the Armenian Divine Liturgy; and

WHEREAS;

This understand^{ing} cannot be gain^{ed} through mere translation of the language used in the services;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

That ACYOA Central Council direct the Religious Education Committee to locate, review and design a program, to insure the effect use of the allready exist^{ing} ^{guidelines} for the instructional Divine Liturgy. This program should strive to instruct through participation.

WHEREAS:

The Religious Programming Committee has reviewed and prepared several resolutions for much need^{ed} programs; and

WHEREAS:

These programs are vital to our consitutional obligations to the Armenian community;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The ACYOA Central Council actively recruit and oversee the implementation of the Religious Education Committee and inturn instruct them with the task of preparing guidelines, plans and ^{budgets} for the implementation of the afore mention programs.

Respectfully Submitted
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