## St. Mary's Armenian Apostolic Church 42nd and Fessenden Strs. NW, Washington, DC

## THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

December 20, 1987

YOUNG ADULTS' SUNDAY TOPIC: WHAT'S NEW AND WHAT'S OLD ABOUT "NEW AGE" MOVEMENT

SPEAKER: Father Vertanes Kalayjian, pastor

January 17, 1988 is our next YOUNG ADULTS' SUNDAY

A panel of young adults will share their meditations on "HOW DO I MAKE OUT AS A CHRISTIAN ?"

Pastor and ACYOA Executive Committee

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You are cordially invited to hear Socrates, Bobby, Dean, and Lucia speak on "<u>What Does It</u> <u>Mean To Be A Christian?"</u>

YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY

SUNDAY JANUARY 17, 1988

" WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A CHRISTIAN?"

Speakers:

Robert George: <u>Temptation</u>- "How as christians do we handle various types of temptation?"

Lucia Keuroglian: <u>Forgiveness</u>- "Why it is important for a christian to forgive."

Dean Shahinian: Love thy Neighbor- "How should a christian act towards his fellow man?"

Socrates Boyajian: <u>Faith</u>- "Faith in God, faith in your fellow man, and degrees of faith."

We invite distinguished speakers to address the congregation but few respond, either because they do not know in advance about the speaker or just do not have the time to attend.

As a pastor-preacher, I attempt to prepare sermons that are vital especially for the young adults as well as for the entire congregation but - - - - find myself preaching to the pews:

Young parishioners, young adults new to the community, or young visitors who come to the church for worship and fellowship are disappointed that there are few of their age group present, if any .

> Ideally speaking, the Holy Badarak doesn't need any of the above to be a life-giving, Holy Spirit-filled feast, because it's all of that and more and deserves regular communion and participation. But we have to capitalize on that too.

So you see - - - - it has been more miss that hit!

My invitation to you personally is to remedy these situations at least partially. I concede that the proposed schedule may encourage and institutionalize our bad habit of not worshipping together on Sundays regularly, predictably, continously, freely, etc., etc.

So, please join me to make this <u>partial</u> remedy a <u>total</u> success! Let's make this <u>spiritual</u> journey (once a month) together. I hope that this may lead us all to a more meaningful, regular and sustained participation.

I will continue to make all efforts to make your participation rewarding.

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