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Archbishop *Torkom Manougian*, Primate

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It is with particular joy that we greet you during these holy days, when all of us experience once again the reality and the spirit of the Nativity.

Our churches themselves everywhere have a sense of rebirth which all of us share, rebirth in the life and being and meaning of Christ.

It is a time of renewal for us, both in our own lives and in the life of our church.

Our parish in Houston is a relatively new one, but equally dedicated along with our other parishes to the glory of God. And each of our parishes, each of our churches, is indeed the people in them. Each of us is the church and the church is all of us together. To understand this is to understand the true nature of worship.

We are happy to have taken this occasion to communicate with you. Your church is always in our thoughts, as is the participation our parishioners bring to it. We would like to communicate with you again in the future, both in this manner, and through the various publications we issue. But we would like to hear from you as well. Would you indeed like to receive our monthly publications, either in English or Armenian or both? Do you have any questions with which we might help you, or comments or suggestions that might help us?

We would be happy to know of your concerns.

Prayerfully,

ARCHBISHOP *TORKOM MANOOGIAN*  
Primate