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ARCHBISHOP MANOOGIAN OF ARMENIAN CHURCH TO VISIT CHICAGO AREA

His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, will arrive in the Chicago area, Friday, January 30 to address members of the Church of the Brethren and preside over a midwest regional meeting of the Armenian Church.

Archbishop Manoogian is spiritual leader of Armenians living in Canada and the United States, excluding California. The Diocese is the world's largest, with headquarters in New York City.

The Primate has been invited to speak to the Church of the Brethren's Committee on Interchurch Relations at the Bethany Theological Seminary in Oak Brook. He will deliver an informal lecture on the Eastern Orthodox Churches, with emphasis on the Armenian Church, the oldest national Church, established in 301 A.D.

Following Archbishop Manoogian's address at the seminary, he will leave for Chicago to preside over the Armenian Church midwest regional meeting at St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church. The Church is located at 6700 W. Diversey.

The Archbishop will meet with Church members on Saturday from Illinois, Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin.

Sunday, he will celebrate Divine Liturgy (mass) at St. Gregory Church. He will be assisted by the Very Reverend Father Jirayr Tashjian, parish priest. A luncheon will follow in the Church Hall.

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For further information or to arrange an interview with Archbishop Manoogian, contact Father Jirayr. Telephone is 637-1711 (Church) and 456-7553 (home).