

ANNUAL REPORT

Year End 1970

ST. GREGORY THE ILLUMINATOR CHURCH SCHOOL

Prepared by Superintendent

Mrs. Florence Janjigian

As I understand it, the Church School was without a superintendent during 1970 until I took on this responsibility in September. Therefore, I have limited the scope of this report to the last quarter of this year, with references to future plans.

Most of the attached material should be self-explanatory, but I would like to comment on our curriculum materials. Since I was contacted too late in the year to allow time for ordering the new curriculum materials suggested by the CRE (even though they had sent no correspondence regarding this to the parish by this time), I took it upon myself to find a local outlet where I could immediately obtain suitable curriculum material. In my opinion, the material we had on hand from previous years was generally archaic as far as new teaching methods and teacher's aids were concerned.

The Nursery class is still using the old Episcopal Fellowship Series material, but the Kindergarten, Primary and Junior classes are using the newly acquired Gospel Light publications. The teachers using these materials have expressed satisfaction and consider them an improvement over their previous materials. There are Bible stories and pictures in the students' books, with Scripture references and suggestions for parents and teachers. Visual aids are plentiful to correspond with individual stories.

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STAFF

Superintendent Florence Janjigian

Nursery Dolores Tootooian

Kindergarten Pearl Aznavoorian

Primary Nancy Weiss

Junior Susu Klujian

Junior High Aram Janjigian

Substitute Mary Dadian

Substitute Rose Paklaian

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 23, 1970

Florence Janjigian contacted by phone
by Father Sarkis and asked to serve as
superintendent of Church School.

September 23 -- October 10

Telephone recruitment of teachers.
Result: 6 accepted to teach or sub
8 refused

October 11

Registration and first day of classes

November 16

Teacher training meeting

November 29

Student/Parent Sunday -- a flop!!
Invitations sent to 24 families announcing
that Badarak slides would be shown and
family church attendance was intended.
Only three parents attended. Der Hary had
prepared an English sermon on Holy Communion.

January 9, 1971

Confession for students and teachers

Party and Christmas program. Party was
planned by Young Women's Guild.

January 10

Communion for students and teachers.

Refreshments prepared by Guild members.

February 10

Teacher training program

NURSERY

Course Title: I Am The Child of God (Episcopal Fellowship)

Course Objective: To make children feel that God created all things, these things are all good, and we should love and respect them. Concerns with sharing, compassion, God's love, 4 Gospel writers, church calendar, etc.

Teacher: Mrs. Dolores Tootooian
2816 N. Lotus
Chicago, Illinois 60641
MU 5-0277

Students:	Laura Aznavoorian	(6/9/67)
	Keri Koresian	(5/26/66)
	Michele Marcantonio	(7/12/66)
	Michael McCormick	(8/9/66)
	Andrew Moore	(7/4/66)
	Donna Nahabedian	(10/18/66)
	Thomas Nahabedian	(11/6/66)
	Paul Weiss	(12/30/65)

KINDERGARTEN

Course Title: I Learn of God's Plan (fall)
(Gospel Light) I Learn of Jesus, God's Son (winter)
I Learn About My Bible (spring)

Objective: Stories from Old and New Testaments to help child understand God's Word.

Teacher: Mrs. Pearl Aznavoorian
2246 North Nagle Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60635
889-9289

Students: Khachig Gircikian (11/6/65)
Berj Karachorlu (2/2/65)
Craig Koresian (2/6/65)
Gregory McCormick (1/27/65)
Michael Nahabedian (12/27/64)
David Weiss (12/5/64)

PRIMARY

Course Title: Stories About God's Helpers (fall)
(Gospel Light) Great Lessons Jesus Taught (winter)
Jesus and His Disciple Peter (spring)

Objectives: Coming to grips with the Bible's reality -- real people, real problems, real solutions. Memory work is explained and encouraged.

Teacher: Mrs. Nancy Weiss
8522 Bruce Drive
Niles, Illinois 60648
692-2481

			<u>GRADE</u>
Students:	Paula Aznavoorian	(10/4/63)	2
	Marta Bader	(12/28/61)	3
	Robert George	(4/26/62)	3
	Tilda Gircikian		3
	James Kalenian	(9/17/62)	3
	Laura Weiss	(2/20/62)	3
	David Sosinski	(3/21/62)	3

JUNIORS

Course Title: History of the Armenian Church (fall) - Nersoyan
 To Captivity and Back (winter) - Gospel Light
 Birth of the Church (spring) - Gospel Light

Objective: Fall: To introduce students to Armenian Church history.

Students and teacher found this material uninteresting and, for the most part, irrelevant. There were no teacher aids. Rather than struggle through, we decided to replace this with Gospel Light in order that children would obtain a knowledge of the Bible and study how it is relevant to their lives today.

Teacher: Mrs. Susu Klujian
 1421 West Devon Avenue
 Chicago, Illinois
 743-4065

			GRADE
Students:	Alan Dadian	(9/10/61)	6
	Parris George	(12/25/58)	6
	Arden Karachorlu	(10/20/60)	4
	Sylva Kashikjian	(10/17/59)	5
	Michael Kazarian	(9/27/58)	6
	Linda Nahabedian)	(10/13/61)	4
	Scott Paklaian	(3/20/59)	6
	Denise Tootooian	(7/14/59)	6
	Arpi Yazijian	(4/29/59)	6
	Lisa Sosinski	(9/27/68)	7
	Sandra Sosinski	(7/9/60)	5

JUNIOR HIGH

Course: A miscellany of Armenian language (written and spoken), church history and general discussion.

Objectives: To provide an opportunity for these teens to pursue topics of interest to them.

Teacher: Aram Janjigian
4735 North Talman
Chicago, Illinois 60625
784-4628

Students: Sandy Garabedian 8th Grade
Cynthia Paklaian 8th Grade
John Paklaian 9th Grade
Dianne Tootoian 9th Grade
^{CHARLES}
~~Charles~~ Babikian 10th Grade
Michele Babikian College

FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>Offering</u>	<u>Birthday Money</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
OCTOBER	\$24.99	\$2.21	\$49.59
NOVEMBER	34.42	.10	76.87
DECEMBER	<u>29.35</u>	<u>.37</u>	<u>15.65</u>
	\$88.76	\$2.68	\$142.11

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE AS OF 12/31/70 = \$420.45

Report prepared by Mrs. Dolores Tootooian, Sunday School Treasurer.