



The Boston Chapter

Armenian Church Youth Organization of America

Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church of Greater Boston

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Our Parish has an approximate membership of 642 paid members, the A.C.Y.O.A. Srs. consists of 6 active people out of a paid membership of 9. Mathematically this is only 1 A.C.Y.O.A. Sr. member per 100 church members.

We are trying to reorganize, and during the same time we are trying to reevaluate our organization, perhaps it is lacking something for our youth.

Der-Hyre and Decon Hovanness Kasparian have tried to help us, but due to lacking time their efforts to date have been fruitless.

Needless to say things are in a sad state of affairs. I am in no position to say where the blame lies. But, perhaps if all our parishioners sent their children and grandchildren to the church, and had them support our functions things would not be so bad today.

The answer may lie in an assistant to our clergy. His duty being to work with the youth and to strengthen the youth of our church. We all know what a large Parish ours is and we are cheating and fooling ourselves until we realize that one clergy cannot cover it completely.

We must take some of the pressure off of paying off the mortgage and put some attention on the youth. If this is not done soon (and I mean real soon) there will be no sense to pay off the mortgage because there will be no people to attend the church.

Respectfully yours,

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Chairman A.C.Y.O.A. Srs.