

## REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

The Building Committee feels that the present location of our Church is not suitable for further development. Rehabilitating the present structure would be a major undertaking. It should be pointed out that this building was 100 years old in 1972. Complete siding is necessary. New windows are necessary. A new heating system is necessary. The Sunday School needs classrooms for effective study. We need recreational facilities for our youth. We do not have enough room to satisfy the requirements of the activities of the various organizations. Purchase of the adjacent properties for expansion has been suggested but this would be impractical since the location does not warrant a major building program.

The Building Committee has investigated the feasibility of purchasing an existing church facility. We feel that it would cost in the area of \$200,000-250,000 to obtain a church suitable for our parish. The Church must be in a good location, easily accessible, with enough room for parking and outdoor activities. The Committee had preliminary discussions with Rabbi Turner of Temple Beth Shalom on Huntington Road in Stratford. It was estimated that the asking price of the Council would have been in excess of \$200,000. The temple would have needed expenditures of about \$20,00 to convert it for use as an Armenian church. We feel that property can be purchased and a Church built to our specifications for about the same outlay.

For the above reasons, the Building Committee requests that the Parish Assembly authorize it to purchase as soon as possible a parcel of land suitable for the construction of a church complex.

Respectfully submitted,

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