

1980 PASTORAL REPORT

Did to the best of my ability that which is required of me as Pastor of our church and President of all church affiliated organizations:

- Celebration of Holy Eucharist each week for 52 consecutive weeks except the Sunday I attended the Diocesan Assembly. Another Holy Eucharist service was celebrated on the Eve of St. Stephen's Feast Day (American Christmas Eve)
- Attended and gave report through Sevan of Diocesan Assembly.
- Spiritual message in English and Armenian on Sundays and appropriate occasions.
- Visitation to sick, bereaved and regular pastoral calls.
- Extensive reading, studying, research and writing on numerous matters.
- Presided over meetings of church organizations and co-ordinated their activities.
- Kept a current record of calendar of events.
- Regular reporting of church activities with donations in Sevan.
- Counsellor and advisor.
- Handled church monies and bills sent to the church and gave them to treasurer.
- Expanded Stewardship Program. In 1979 it realized \$400.00 and in 1980 - \$950.00.
- Arrangements for Altar Flowers on Sundays and on other occasions.
- Weddings 4, Funerals 4 and assisted in one funeral. Baptism-2.
- Article in local newspaper for Armenian Christmas.
- Participated in program of St. John's United Church of Christ- One God, One People.
- Participated in Thanksgiving Day Services at Greek Orthodox Cathedral.
- Arrangements for:
 - a - Vartanantz Day speaker
 - b - Martyr's Day Service (readings and talks)
 - c - Visitation of Nancy Basmajian from Diocesan Office for Sunday School and ACYOA Jrs.
Visitation of Sylva Der Stepanian from Diocesan Office for Armenian School.

- d - Woman's Day Program by Womens Guild on St. Khosrovitought.
 - e - Holy Days and special Saints Day celebrations.
 - f - Maral Berberians attending Seminar at Diocese for Armenian School.
 - g - Carol Ashjian and Donna Soghoian attending the Summer Studies Program.
- Organizing Softball team
- work on the Church 25th Anniversary Commemorative Booklet
 - Lectures to:
 - a - Christ Ascension Episcopal Ladies Guild
 - b - Second Baptist Church's Womens Missionary Union
 - Talk and display and program for St. James Day.
 - Display and talk on Religion during the Food Festival.
 - Work on side altar niches, correspondence to have oil paintings also having them framed.
 - Procuring Last Supper art piece and installation.
 - Obtaining material and trim for hand cross and Gospel book.
 - Purchasing material and sewing arrangements for the altar covers in vestibule and vestry.

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