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ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

JANUARY 29, 1978

1977 ANNUAL REPORT

ST. NEROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
Racine, Wisconsin

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Sunday, January 29, 1978, 2 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Prayer
2. Call to Order - Motion for Quorum
3. Election of Assembly Chairperson
4. Election of Assembly Secretary
5. Reading of Previous Minutes
6. Pastor's Report
7. Parish Council Report
8. 1977 Financial Statement and Adoption of 1978 Budget
9. Parish Organizational Reports
 - A. Choir
 - B. Woman's Build
 - C. Armenian School
 - D. Sunday School
 - E. A.C.Y.O.A.
 - F. Maintenance Committee
 - G. Picnic Committee
 - H. Audit Committee
10. ELECTIONS
 - A. Diocesan Delegates - (Three)
 - B. Parish Council - (Three)
 - C. Auditing Committee - (Three)
 - D. Nominating Committee - (Three)
11. Proposal to Re-Organize Permanent Trust Committee and Direct Parish Councils to transfer all funds in excess of \$5,000.00 to Permanent Trust Committee at end of each fiscal year.
12. Election of Permanent Trust Committee, consisting of three members. Nominee receiving highest number of votes to serve for three years. Next highest for two years and the next highest for one year. Thereafter on each successive year, one member shall be elected for three years.
13. Proposal to permit "Tagging" on all donated articles of property showing donor and memorial. Further, that a Permanent Scroll be prepared and kept in a church room to be designated "Founders Room", listing all original donors of the Building Project.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE
PROGRESS OF THE DEPARTMENT

FOR THE YEAR 1954-1955

The Department of Chemistry at the University of Chicago has had a very successful year. The faculty has been strengthened by the arrival of several new members, and the research program has been expanded in many areas. The following is a summary of the work done during the year.

Physical Chemistry	1
Chemical Physics	10
Organic Chemistry	15
Inorganic Chemistry	25
Biological Chemistry	35
Chemical Education	45
Administrative Matters	55

The Physical Chemistry section has made significant progress in the study of the properties of matter at high pressures and low temperatures. The Chemical Physics group has continued its work on the dynamics of chemical reactions. The Organic Chemistry section has been particularly active in the study of the synthesis of new compounds. The Inorganic Chemistry group has made important contributions to the understanding of the properties of transition metal complexes. The Biological Chemistry section has been successful in its studies of the chemical basis of life. The Chemical Education group has been active in the development of new methods of teaching chemistry. Administrative matters have been handled efficiently throughout the year.

The Department has received several grants from the National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health. The University has also provided generous support for the Department's activities. The faculty and staff have worked hard to make the most of these resources, and the Department has achieved a high level of productivity. The following is a list of the major accomplishments of the Department during the year.

The Department has published several important papers in the field of physical chemistry. The discovery of a new class of compounds has been reported. The mechanism of a long-standing reaction has been elucidated. The properties of a new material have been investigated. The Department has also made significant contributions to the field of chemical physics. The synthesis of a new compound has been reported. The properties of a new complex have been investigated. The Department has also made important contributions to the field of organic chemistry. The synthesis of a new compound has been reported. The properties of a new complex have been investigated. The Department has also made important contributions to the field of inorganic chemistry. The synthesis of a new compound has been reported. The properties of a new complex have been investigated. The Department has also made important contributions to the field of biological chemistry. The synthesis of a new compound has been reported. The properties of a new complex have been investigated. The Department has also made important contributions to the field of chemical education. The development of a new method of teaching chemistry has been reported. The properties of a new complex have been investigated. The Department has also made important contributions to the field of administrative matters. The development of a new method of handling administrative matters has been reported. The properties of a new complex have been investigated.

14. Proposal to increase individual dues from \$15.00 to \$25.00 effective 1/1/78.
15. Discussion of proposals to be submitted to Diocesan Assembly.
16. New Business - "Other Matters of New Business May Be Added By Majority Vote of the Parish Assembly".
17. Adjournment

George Stevoff, Chairman

John Esayian, Secretary

PASTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1977

By Rev. Arten Ashjian

After my month-long illness and recuperation, I resumed working in the second week of January, 1977. I thank Almighty God for granting me good health to be able to complete the year and to accomplish some projects.

RELIGIOUS, SACRAMENTAL AND RITUAL ACTIVITIES

On January 8 and 9 the celebrant of the liturgies of Nativity Eve and Theophany was the Rev. Fr. Michael Buttero of the St. John Armenian Church of Greater Detroit. I assisted Father Buttero and helped the choir on January 9.

Mr. Paul Chobanian, temporary director of the Choir, was forced by health problems to discontinue his service in mid-February. Since there was no qualified director volunteering to lead the Choir at that point, I had to request my wife to conduct the Choir and to participate in rehearsals, which were held almost every week during Lent and Holy Week. Upon being informed on May 5, by Mr. George Stevoff and Mr. Sarkis Cherkinian chairman and treasurer respectively of the new Parish Council, that Mrs. Berjoubie Mikaelian was willing to direct the Choir. I had a conference with her and appointed her as the new Choir Director. Mrs. Mikaelian directed the Choir competently and with devotion until early in September when she needed to be hospitalized. After a long struggle, Berjoubie lost her battle against cancer in December. Her loss has deeply affected not only members of her family, but also many in St. Mesrob Church who worked with her and admired her as a leader. It is a providential coincidence that Berjoubie's talented niece, Mrs. Diane Assarian, returned to Racine about the same time when Berjoubie had to be admitted to the hospital. Since September Diane has served as Acting Director of the Choir punctually and with dedication.

Our organist, Miss Janet Cherkinian (married in our church to Mr. John Hahn, on Oct. 29) has performed her duties faithfully. She has trained Miss Karen Garoukian of the Choir as an assistant organist. Karen served ably as organist during the month following Janet's wedding.

Deacon Charles Hardy conducted Jashou service on January 2, May 8, Oct. 2, and two Sundays during my annual vacation last summer. Once again the St. Mesrob annual picnic at Johnson Park on July 10 involved so many parishioners in preparatory labor that it was impossible to celebrate the Divine Liturgy on the morning of the picnic. Dr. Hagop Nersoyan, a full deacon who teaches in Dayton, Ohio, preached on May 1st upon my request.

During Lent, weekly Peace and Rest hour service was held Friday evenings, with Deacon Hardy, Subdeacon Mikael Garoukian and a few Choir members participating. The attendance of the laity at this Lenten service has been very small.

As directed by the Primate, His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, the annual Woman Saint's Day program was hosted by the St. John Armenian Church of Greenfield on March 2; I took part in the religious service on that occasion. Mrs. Berjoubie Mikaelian, chairman of the St. Mesrob Women's Guild, read the Epistle, and Mrs. Rose Akgulian, of our parish, gave an inspiring talk on St. Shooshan's life.

Upon the suggestion of Father Shnorh Kasparian, the new pastor of St. John Armenian Church of Greenfield, the priests of the three Armenian churches of Wisconsin cooperated with each other by participating in three Maundy Thursday services in the following sequence: Noon Liturgy at St. John, early evening Washing of the Feet at St. Mesrob, and Vigils at Holy Resurrection Church in South Milwaukee.

On August 28, with the consent of our Parish Council, I flew to St. Louis at my own expense and participated in the ordination to the priesthood of Deacon Manoog Kelegian, now Father Yeprem, pastor of Holy Shoghagat Armenian Church of East St. Louis.

There have been 8 funerals, 7 christenings and confirmations, and 1 wedding. I have attempted, without success, to arrange an appointment for a grown up child, baptised in a non-Armenian church, to receive chrismation in the Armenian Apostolic Church. During Fr. Arshag Khatchadourian's absence and upon his request I performed a funeral at the Holy Resurrection Church in May. I also took part in a wedding ceremony at the Holy Resurrection Church, with His Grace Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan presiding as guest preacher.

On Memorial Day, I devoted a major part of the daytime to visiting Graceland Cemetery. Among the parishioners who came to the cemetery during that time, four families expressed a desire to have the priest offer prayers for their departed ones.

Blessing of homes: I mailed, at my own expense, 93 postcards to parishioners whose homes I was unable to bless in 1976. Of those who received the cards, 9 took the time to communicate with me requesting an appointment. Altogether I have blessed 19 homes and 1 place of business during the Eastertide season.

I administered Holy Communion to shut-ins on 8 occasions.

I assisted His Eminence the Primate in the cornerstone dedicating ceremony for the new Sts. Joachim and Anne Armenian Church of Palos Heights, Illinois.

VISITATIONS

A total of 579 visitations. This number includes visits to the sick, to families in mourning, to conduct religious services in the residence of shut-in parishioners. Also calls on administrative or educational, fraternal or public relations missions. Hospitals visited include three Milwaukee area hospitals, one hospital in Madison, and one nursing home in South Milwaukee.

EDUCATIONAL

1) Training of future deacons, with the use of the Deacon's Guidebook of the Divine Liturgy prepared by Archbishop Torkom Manoogian. Yeretzgin Mary Ashjian helped as organ accompanist. Of those who attended the practice sessions, Kai Kazarian, Nick Akgulian, and Brian Mikaelian have been serving in recent months as censors and reciters of certain litanies in the Divine Liturgy.

2) Weekly Choir practice during Lent, Holy Week and special occasions.

3) Preparation of periodic schedules for the Choir, indicating the variables of Sundays and feastdays. St. Mesrob Choir is one of the few choirs now in the Diocese that pay attention to the requirements of the variables. The men in the Choir have assumed the responsibility of chanting the theme line for the day's Jashou hymn. Chanting the Introit and the Gradual psalm has been taken over by the Choir, this being the normal procedure in the Armenian liturgical tradition.

4) On various occasions, I have devoted space in the Sunday bulletin to explaining the significance of the day's feast or items relevant to the service or to the Bible.

5) With the cooperation of the Church School staff, I performed the Instructed Divine Liturgy for the benefit of the English speaking segment of our congregation.

6) I have tried to create interest in public reading of the Bible lections of the Divine Liturgy by suggesting to laymen including Parish Council members to take turns in reading the designated passages after due preparation.

7) I have encouraged our Church School staff and grown up parishioners to attend the two-day workshop in communications

initiated by the Council for Religious Education of the Diocese. According to Mrs. Valerie Zahirsky, who came from the Diocesan Center to conduct the workshop, the attendance at the St. Mesrob program was good.

8) I submitted the name of Mrs. Hourig Tcheurekdjian, a teacher at St. Mesrob Armenian School, to the Educational Council of the Diocese, as a candidate to participate in the weeklong teachers training program for Armenian schools, limited to 12 students. Fortunately for St. Mesrob Armenian School, Mrs. Tcheurekdjian was accepted just before the completion of the quota. Mrs. Tcheurekdjian returned from the program held at the Armenian Language Lab of the Diocese with a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm, and was instrumental in arranging a visit to St. Mesrob Church by Miss Sylva Der Stepanian, author of textbooks and Educational Director of Armenian Schools of the Diocese.

9) I conducted oral tests for the two 9th grade students of the Church School senior class before their graduation. At my suggestion the two students wrote and presented brief essays at the graduation programs in church.

10) I have urged young parishioners to attend the summer religious study conference and deacons training program sponsored by the St. Nersess Armenian Theological School and held at Elkhorn, Wisconsin. I have also urged the Parish Council and the Women's Guild to make funds available from their treasuries for scholarships for this purpose. Four of the A.C.Y.O.A. boys who serve on the altar were recipients of these scholarships and attended the weeklong program. I gave two lectures upon request of Father Karekin Kasparian, Dean of the Theological School.

11) I gave a short daily message to the children who attended the Vacation Bible School sponsored by the St. Mesrob Church School.

12) I gave a talk to the older group of campers at Hye Camp upon invitation of Father Shnork Kasparian, chaplain of the camp.

13) I took part in the mission to the Waukegan parish of St. George, conducted by the three Armenian priests in Wisconsin. This was done with the approval of the Primate and the knowledge of the Parish Councils involved. The month being October, I gave a talk on the meaning of Armenian Culture.

14) In support of the workshop on Armenians sponsored by the Multi-Cultural Studies Center of the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, I assisted Mr. Harry Boranian, in selecting liturgical items for an exhibit set up in our church library room. Mrs. Rose Akgulian served as the resource person for the two-day workshop, which brought Armenian scholars to Racine from Washington, D.C.,

California and Ohio. The St. Mesrob Armenian School prepared and served an Armenian lunch in St. Mesrob Annex during the workshop. At the conclusion of the program a well-attended public dinner was held by the Racine Chapter of the Armenian General Benevolent Union at the U.W.-Parkside, with Mrs. Rose Akgulian serving as program chairman.

15) Upon my request, Mr. Harold Sahakian agreed to serve as director of the religious study Pilot Project to be held soon for the benefit of adults in St. Mesrob parish. The four lessons, taken out of a textbook written by St. Nersess Seminary graduate Deacon Michael Chevian, are under the general title, THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY.

PROJECTS:

INVENTORY. With Deacon Charles Hardy and Subdeacon Mikael Garoukian I took inventory of all objects kept and/or used in the altar area, in the chancel, the priest's vesting room, and the baptismal room.

INDEX. Reading the earliest available minutes of the Board of Trustees of the Armenian Apostolic Church of Racine, I have prepared on cards an index of all Armenians whose names are recorded as involved in activities relative to the Armenian community of Racine, covering the years 1918-1923.

ORDINATION. On the occasion of the forthcoming visit to St. Mesrob Church of His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, I have recommended to His Grace in writing that he confer the four minor ranks of the Armenian Church upon the following altar servers: Gary Akgulian, Nick Akgulian, Nishan Akgulian, Avak Grigorian, Tom Janikian, Nick Kadamian, Kai Kazarian, Brian Mikaelian, Mike Minasian, Charles Roy, Alex Sahagian, David Stevoff.

STAINED GLASS FOR CHURCH WINDOWS. I have visited for discussing this project the Enterprise Art Glass Company in Milwaukee (once) and the Conrad Schmitt Studio in New Berlin (twice). I have submitted to both companies a list of theological and historical themes on which an artist at Conrad Schmitt has done some research and submitted sketches. A representative of Conrad Schmitt Studio has attended a meeting of the Parish Council, answering numerous questions.

ACQUISITIONS

Through the initiative of the Parish Council under the leadership of Mr. George Stevoff, the following were received:

1) A set of priest's vestments, sewn to our specifications by an Armenian seamstress in New York. The crown, which was not included, was fitted by Yeretziq Mary Ashjian by using matching

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material on an older crown that did not belong to any set.

2) A shipment of hard cover Divine Liturgy books was ordered from the Diocesan bookstore for the use of worshipers.

3) The graduating class of the Church School presented an Armenian liturgical book to St. Mesrob Church.

MISCELLANEOUS

GRADUATES RECOGNITION. On June 19, 1977, high school and college graduates of the parish were invited by me to worship at St. Mesrob Church. On behalf of the Parish Council Mr. George Stevoff presented individual gifts to the graduates, following an appropriate message by him.

GOLD PLATED GOSPELS BOOK. The children of Mr. and Mrs. John and Alice Keishian donated an ornate goldplated Armenian Gospels Book for the altar, in memory of their grandparents, Haji Mugurditch and Margaret Hajinian.

DONATION OF LITURGICAL ITEMS. Mrs. Anna Barootian donated a Divine Liturgy hardback book. Mr. Paul Chobanian donated two liturgical books in Armenian. Gene and Marie Chardukian donated a white linen embroidered cover for the table in the vesting room, Mrs. Marie Chardukian sewed a pair of maniples to complete one of the sets of priest's vestments. Mrs. Aghavnie Jansouzian donated five handmade towels and a Divine Liturgy book.

RELATIONS WITH AREA ARMENIAN CLERGY

In December of 1976 the number of armenian priests in the Illinois-Wisconsin area was raised from 3 to 4 upon the appointment of the Very Rev. Fr. Shnork Kasparian as pastor of the Greenfield (Wis.) parish. Following some informal discussions, the four clergy agreed to meet periodically on a rotation basis, break bread together and discuss matters relative to the religious and spiritual welfare of the parishes in the Midwest. The first of these gatherings was held at my home during Lent. All four clergy have served in the role of host. During the post-ordination retreat of Fr. Yeprem Kelegian the Wisconsin clergy visited him and his mentor Fr. Varoujan Kabaradjian. Since the departure of Fr. Arshag Khatchadourian from South Milwaukee in late November, these periodic meetings have been temporarily suspended. (However, I telephoned Fr. Jirayr Tashjian, new pastor of the St. Gregory the Illuminator Church of Chicago to welcome him to the Midwest, and with Yeretzgin paid him a visit in Chicago on 1/9/78.)

RELATIONS WITH THE DIOCESE

At the time of the annual Parish Assembly last winter, I took care to see that questionnaires and report forms sent by the Primate be answered and filled on time, and all required reports and minutes be submitted to His Eminence, before responsibility could be transferred by the outgoing Parish Council to the new one.

I devoted time in the winter to do research in response to the Primate's directive to make photocopies of official correspondence from the Diocese pertaining to the period 1925-1944. Unfortunately, no letters dating from those years are in existence in the St. Mesrob Church files. What I could find was about a dozen handwritten copies entered into the minutes ledgers (one typed letter was pasted on a page). These were graciously photocopied by Mr. Perry Paragamian before I could submit them to the Primate.

During the first week of May I attended the two-day annual conferences of the diocesan clergy in Warwick, R.I., and together with our four lay representatives, the 75th Annual Diocesan Assembly at Sts. Sahag-Mesrob Church in Providence, R.I. At this meeting Mr. George Stevoff was elected to serve for a four year term on the Diocesan Council. I was, along with Mr. Stevoff elected to serve on the Nominating Committee for the 76th Annual Diocesan Assembly.

APPRECIATION AND THANKS

The memory of the late Mrs. Berjoughie Mikaelian will be blessed by me and many parishioners, for she was a courageous leader - in spite of her health problems - of both the Women's Guild and the Choir.

I thank Deacon Charles Hardy, Subdeacon Mikael Garoukian, all the altar servers, the acolytes and their coach Yeretzgin Mary. I thank all the volunteers who directed the Choir last year, and all those Choir members who have conducted themselves with reverence, humility and respectful attitude.

I thank Mr. George Stevoff, Chairman of the Parish Council, for his punctual and methodical way of working, for actively expressing his concern for fairness in solving parish administrative problems.

I thank Mrs. Helen Chordegian, flower donations coordinator and her colleague, Mrs. Sue Essayian, for their faithful and reliable service in maintaining the beauty of the altar with fresh flowers or plants.

I thank Mrs. Anna Barootian and her regular and occasional helpers on the Altar Care Committee for their faithful devotion to the cleaning and decorating of the altar area.

I thank the donors of altar candles and flowers, and all those who contributed to the baking, packaging and distributing of mahs.

Appreciation is due to Mrs. Var Cherkinian, coordinator of the weekly cleaning of our house of prayer, including the sanctuary and the vesting rooms. Also to all couples or individuals who volunteered to do the cleaning.

I thank Church School Superintendent, Mrs. Claire Kadamian and her staff, Armenian School board member and volunteer superintendent Mr. Noubar Tcheurekdjian, ACYOA Juniors' adult advisors Mike and Mary Janikian and Goldie Roy for their spirit of dedication and leadership.

In conclusion, I thank all members of the Parish Council for such policies adopted and actions taken which have contributed to the advancement of St. Mesrob Church in the realm of good will, spiritual, educational and cultural enrichment within the community.

January 12, 1978

ARMENIAN EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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PARISH COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1977

Upon election and then confirmation by His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, the following new members were confirmed for the two year period of 1977-1979:

Steve Barootian
Harry Boranian
Sarkis Cherkinian
George Stevoff

With the three remaining Parish Council members of Myron Chordegian, John Esayian and Murad Gengozian, the slate of officers for 1977 was elected as follows:

Chairman - George Stevoff
Vice-Chairman - Murad Gengozian
Secretary - John Esayian
Assistant Secretary - Steve Barootian
Treasurer - Sarkis Cherkinian
Assistant Treasurer - Harry Boranian
Advisor - Myron Chordegian

The Parish Council met early in the year with all organizations, Deacons, Council appointed committees and Diocesan Delegates with a mutual understanding of needs and obligations. The Parish Council proceeded to prepare a list of items that required attention as presented within those meetings. At one time the agenda contained as many as 60 subjects with completed items being removed and new ones added. The Parish Council started meeting on a weekly basis, hoping to change to a bi-weekly schedule as soon as most of the projects were resolved. As it turned out, the meetings have been kept on a weekly basis.

One of the unresolved questions was the method by which to rejuvenate our pledge system. Another was why a membership committee had not been formed. Another was a question on whether our church was serving the needs of our parishioners. These with other questions all centered around a somewhat larger question, "What is the future of our Church?". The questions seemed all related and it was therefore determined to persue the matter further by a committee. A committee chairperson has been selected to outline a program to the Parish Council. We are quite enthusiastic about the concept and hope to have it ready for presentation in early 1978.

In 1977, we saw the reactivation of the Midwest Regional Council of Armenian Churches. Through this organization, we are able to communicate with our sister churches in the Midwest.

The question of "Tags" on church property has been discussed at great length with the outcome being the submission of a proposal that has been placed on the agenda.

It is interesting to note that of the approximate \$70,000.00 in building pledges, we have collected over 98.7% as of December 31, 1977. There remains unpaid less than \$900.00 among seven persons. The individuals have been notified. We consider this to be a remarkable record and one that we are proud of.

A separate Endowment Fund for our Parish has been discussed. It has not been acted upon, as it has been determined that such a vehicle now exists within the Diocesan Endowment Fund.

Late in the year, we were advised by our Pastor, Rev. Ashjian, of his request of the Primate to be reassigned within the Diocese. At year's end, we had been informed that Pastor Rev. Ashjian had been reassigned to St. Gregory's Parish in New York and would be leaving Racine in January, 1978. The Council was planning a Farewell Banquet for Rev. Ashjian and his family on January 15, 1978.

We have had a committee working for several years, determining methods of utilizing our Hall/Cultural Center. At year's end, the Council was advised that a report was ready and would be submitted in early 1978. The Parish Council looks forward to this report.

Committees still being formed or in various stages of planning are Founders Room Committee, Housing for the Elderly, Priest Search Committee, Library Committee and Clean-Up Committee.

The Parish Council having received a \$1,000.00 designated donation in 1976 for the installation of stained glass windows had met with and reviewed quotations of several glass companies. No action was taken in 1977 because of the costs involved. The matter will be reconsidered in 1978.

We hope to have ready shortly, a list of all recent proposals that have been passed in previous Parish Assemblies, as they pertain to various policies that have been approved. It is a project that has been requested for many years and we hope to have it available after the first of the year.

The Parish Council wishes to thank all parish organizations and supporters for their help in making 1977 a year of progress for St. Mesrob Church.

(Rev.) Arten Ashjian
President, Parish Council

John Esayian
Secretary, Parish Council

George Stevoff
Chairman, Parish Council

MESROB ARMENIAN CHURCH

RACINE, WISCONSIN

FINANCIAL REPORT

YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976 and 1977

	ACTUAL INCOME <u>1977</u>	ACTUAL INCOME <u>1976</u>	BUDGET INCOME <u>1978</u>
MEMBERSHIP DUES			
1978	\$ 270.00	\$ 0	\$ 4,800.00
1977	3,740.00	270.00	
1976	535.00	3,765.00	
1975	95.00	555.00	
OTHER		235.00	
	<u>4,640.00</u> x	<u>4,825.00</u>	<u>4,800.00</u>
PLATE COLLECTION	1,578.71 x	1,727.57	1,600.00
SACRAMENTS & CEREMONIES			
Funeral Fees	74.61 x	0	
Baptismal Fees	90.00 x	15.00	
	<u>164.61</u> x	<u>15.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>
DONATIONS			
Easter	755.00 x	753.50	2,000.00
Christmas	710.00 x	564.50	
Requiem	428.00 v	423.00	
Candles	190.00 x	292.00	
In Lieu of Flowers	3,533.50 x	1,163.75	1,400.00
Others	1,927.30 x		
	<u>7,543.80</u>	<u>3,196.75</u>	<u>3,400.00</u>
AFFAIRS			
Madagh	1,324.00 x	1,467.50	1,400.00
Picnic	11,684.07 x	9,728.24	11,000.00
Others	214.00 x		500.00
	<u>13,222.07</u> v	<u>11,195.74</u>	<u>12,900.00</u>
RENTALS			
Church Hall	375.00	170.00	400.00
Parish Home	2,475.00	3,300.00	3,600.00
	<u>2,850.00</u> v	<u>3,470.00</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>
DIVIDENDS			
Allghy Lud/M	30.00		
Wis. Elec. Co.	275.88		
AMF	14.88		
	<u>320.76</u> x	<u>801.92</u>	<u>350.00</u>

MEMORIAL UNION CHURCH III

MEMORIAL UNION CHURCH

(Continued)	ACTUAL INCOME 1977	ACTUAL INCOME 1976	BUDGET INCOME 1978
ASSET TRANSFER			
Women's Guild	3,100.00 *	2,165.49	
ACYOA	1,000.00 *	0	
Ladies Auxiliary		1,614.51	
Altar Society		853.55	
	<u>4,100.00</u>	<u>4,633.55</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>
BUILDING FUND PLEDGE			
Weekly	15,259.25 *	16,385.41	17,000.00
New Church Memorial	360.00 *	1,050.00	400.00
	<u>15,619.25</u>	<u>17,435.41</u>	<u>17,400.00</u>
OTHER INCOME			
Sale of Publications	59.00		
Miscellaneous	170.48	2,668.08	1,620.00
50th Anniversary Comm.		1,183.16	
	<u>229.48 *</u>	<u>3,851.24</u>	<u>1,620.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$50,268.68	\$54,293.47	\$50,270.00

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RACINE, WISCONSIN
FINANCIAL REPORT
YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976 and 1977

<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>1977</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>1976</u>	<u>BUDGET</u> <u>1978</u>
STIPENDS & SALARIES			
Diocesan Dues	8,445.90 ^x	4,656.00	9,000.00
Resident Clergy	15,552.00 ^w	14,899.50	14,500.00
Janitorial	1,140.00 ^y	1,460.00	1,800.00
Security	530.00 ^z		
Visiting Clergy	249.50 ^x	525.00	500.00
IRA	750.00 ^x		750.00
	<u>26,667.40</u>	<u>21,540.50</u>	<u>26,550.00</u>
ORGANIZATIONS			
Sunday School	412.77 ^w	100.00	500.00
Armenian School	300.00 ^w	550.00	500.00
Choir	170.34 ^y	0	200.00
Ball Team	134.10 ^y	122.25	120.00
Other Churches	100.00 ^x	0	
	<u>1,117.21</u>	<u>772.25</u>	<u>1,320.00</u>
UTILITIES			
Wis. Natural Gas	2,853.84	2,430.37	3,000.00
Wis. Electric Power	1,669.62	1,807.49	2,500.00
Water & Sewer	202.54	228.35	250.00
	<u>4,726.00^w</u>	<u>4,466.21</u>	<u>5,750.00</u>
ADMINISTRATION			
Telephone	430.27 ^w	400.42	450.00
Office Supplies	334.81 ^x	305.42	350.00
Printing	267.10	0	300.00
Postage	206.37 ^y	325.00	250.00
Advertising	56.88 ^z	0	0
Mimeograph	191.25 ^y	81.51	250.00
Church Supplies	568.95 ^x	1,238.77	700.00
Insurance	1,761.00 ^x	1,648.00	1,800.00
Kitchen Supplies	19.50 ^w		
	<u>3,836.13</u>	<u>3,999.12</u>	<u>4,100.00</u>
BUILDING MAINTENANCE			
Exterior	97.34		
Interior	52.99		
Equipment Repairs	332.77		
Snowplowing	204.00		
Trash Pickup	60.00		
Building Supplies	161.43		
	<u>908.53^w</u>	<u>1,200.05</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>

EDWARD MULLINSA GORSEN |||
ACTUAL DISBURSEMENTS ACTUAL
1977 1978

BUDGET
1978

DISBURSEMENTS (Cont.)

AFFAIRS

Madagh
 Cultural Programs
 Others

432.29
 653.87
1,086.16

304.17
 1,394.95
1,699.12

500.00
 600.00
1,100.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Publications
 Parish Home
 Vestments
 Funeral
 Debit Memo 2/77
 Other
 Contingency

225.16
 260.00
 450.00
 54.61
 1.00
 1,024.12
2,014.89

176.30
 154.70
 1,861.74
2,092.74

250.00
 1,000.00
1,250.00

DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY

1,507.70

1,111.33

1,500.00

MORTGAGE PAYMENT

6,619.92

6,068.26

6,700.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

\$ 48,483.94

\$ 49,130.66

\$ 50,270.00

CHECKING ACCT. 1/1/77 \$647.74
 CHECKING ACCT. 12/31/77 \$7,432.48

MORTGAGE 1/1/77 \$44,282.72
 MORTGAGE 12/31/77 \$40,208.93

SAVINGS ACCT. 1/1/77 \$18,392.50
 SAVINGS ACCT. 12/31/77 \$14,019.29

CHURCH CHOIR
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION
1/1/77 - 12/31/77

Checking Account Balance as of 1/1/77 \$ 11.50

Savings Account Balance as of 1/1/77 83.37

INCOME

1. Gift \$ 10.00

2. Interest on Savings 1.13

3. Miscellaneous 2.50

TOTAL INCOME \$ 13.63

DISBURSEMENTS

L. Flowers - Gift \$ 11.45

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 11.45

Checking Account Balance as of 12/31/77 \$ 12.55

Savings Account Balance as of 12/31/77 84.50

CHURCH CHOIR
1977 ACTIVITIES

4 Meetings held during 1977

12 Choir rehearsals

Chairman - Mary Ann Injasoulian
Secretary- Rose Margosian
Treasurer- Mark Akgulian

10 regular members

4 part-time (attend school or teach Sunday School)

WOMEN'S GUILD
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTION

1/1/77 - 12/31/77

Checking Account Balance as of 1/1/77	\$ <u>501.21</u>
Savings Account	<u>-0-</u>

INCOME

1.	Dues	\$ 314.00	
2.	Altar & Christmas flowers	498.50	
3.	Funerals (7)	1,418.15	
4.	Holiday Fair	1,455.30	
5.	Food Cuisinarts	435.00	
6.	Luncheon-Mother's Day	339.85	
7.	Bake Sales	865.37	
8.	Pre-Lenten-Cook-out etc.	555.50	
9.	Misc. Income	39.50	
10.	Interest Income	37.20	
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 5,958.37

DISBURSEMENTS

1.	Bake Sales	180.79	
2.	Altar & Christmas flowers	554.42	
3.	Food Cuisinarts	435.00	
4.	Storage Chest	80.00	
5.	Mother's Day Luncheon	190.89	
6.	Funerals	965.67	
7.	Holiday Fair	113.76	
8.	Pre-lenten-cook-out exp.	338.71	
9.	Senior Citizen's Party	38.80	
10.	Donation-Educ. Camp	100.00	
11.	Misc. Expenses	232.87	
12.	Transfer to Parish Coun.	2,900.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			\$ 6,130.91

Checking Account Balance as of 12/31/77	\$ <u>291.47</u>
Savings Account Balance as of 12/31/77	<u>\$ 37.20</u>

**WOMEN'S GUILD
1977 ACTIVITIES**

- 1. Pre-Lenten Dinner
- 2. Hot Luncheon Served At Rescue Mission
- 3. Communion Breakfast Served During Holy Week
- 4. Participation in CRE Workshop
- 5. Participation in Woman's Saints Day Program
Held In Greenfield
- 6. Served At Annual Madagh
- 7. Mother's Day Dinner
- 8. Sponsored Four Students At Summer Study Conference At
Total Cost Of \$100.00
- 9. Held Two Senior Citizen Day Luncheons
- 10. Four Visitation To County Home
- 11. Served At Seven Funerals
- 12. Participated In Holiday Fair
- 13. Participated In Annual Church Picnic
- 14. Held 11 General Meetings and 9 Executive Meetings

WOMEN'S GUILD STANDING COMMITTEE FOR 1977

Executive Committee

President	Father Arten Ashjian	681-9543
Chairman	Berje Mikaelian	639-6866
Vice-Chairman	Mary Domanico	639-1344
Recording Secretary	Julie Kapralian	639-7118
Correspond. Secretary	Sue Vidian	639-5399
Treasurer	Mary Cherkinian	633-4234
Assistant Treasurer	Byde Musurlian	639-4614
Advisors	Margaret Dadian	639-8807
	Queenie Gillis	639-4453
(ex-officio)	Var Cherkinian	639-0705

DEVOTIONS

Mary Cherkinian

FLOWERS (Altar)

*Helen Chordegian
Sue Esayian

CHURCH HOLIDAY DEC.

*Helen Chordegian
Sue Esayian

FUNERAL COMMITTEE

*Byde Musurlian
Liz Chardukian
Nancy Kazarian
Mary Rossman

REFRESHMENTS

*Lucy Azarian
Carol Bonito

SUNSHINE

Pat Paragamian

PUBLICITY HISTORIAN

Var Cherkinian

PROGRAM

*Donna Barootian
Mary (H.) Akgulian
Sophie Chardukian
Chris Donaldson

SENIOR CITIZENS

*Elsie Garoukian
Mary Chardukian
Margaret Eland
Shockey Gengozian
Alice Keishian
Martha Topalian

COUNTY NURSING HOMES

*Catherine Mikaelian
Zarouhi Balian
Varteni Dadian

ALTAR COMMITTEE

*Anna Barootian
Zabel Armaganian
Varteni Dadian
Altoun Oglanian
Nuvart Minasian

MEMBERSHIP AND BY-LAWS

*Executive Committee

MAS COMMITTEE

*Sue Esayian
Margaret Antreassian
Margaret Dadian
Varteni Dadian
Anna Barootian
Mary Chardukian
Derouhi Kazarian
Nancy Kazarian
Khatoon Minasian
Altoun Oglanian
Martha Topalian

KITCHEN MAINTENANCE

*Var Cherkinian
Margaret Antreassian
Fat Balian
Sherry Cherkinian
Margaret Dadian
Queenie Gillis
Claire Kadamian
Alice Vartanian

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ARMENIAN SCHOOL COMMISSION | |
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION

1/1/77 - 12/31/77

Checking Account Balance as of 12/31/76 \$ 412.95

Savings Account Balance -0-

INCOME

1. Contributions from Racine Chapter of the AGBU	\$ 100.00
2. Contributions from AGBU Alex Manoogian Fund	500.00
3. In lieu of flowers contributions for Yeghsa Akulian	222.00
4. Contribution from Charles Hardy	10.00
5. Contribution from Altoon Taktakian	10.00
6. Tuition, books, misc. including contributions from the Parish Council, less expenses	742.35
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 1,584.35

DISBURSEMENTS

1. To 4 teachers and 1 superintendent (Jan.-June) and to 3 teachers (Oct.-Dec.)	1,065.00
2. Books, teaching aids etc., from the Diocese	268.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 1,333.00

Checking Account Balance as of 12/31/77 \$ 664.30

Savings Account Balance -0-

SUNDAY SCHOOL
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION

1/1/77 - 12/31/77

Checking Account Balance as of 1/1/77 \$ 124.60

Savings Account Balance as of 1/1/77 -0-

INCOME

1. Class collection	\$ 438.81
2. Pictures	140.50
3. Bible School Fee	46.00
4. Picnic	183.80
5. Transfer Funds	207.55
6. Donation	15.00

TOTAL INCOME \$ 1,031.66

DISBURSEMENTS

1. Books and Supplies	397.09
2. Pictures	156.50
3. Gift Certificates	45.00
4. Picnic Food	157.05
5. Miscellaneous	71.04
6. Film Rental	31.05
7. Donations	70.89

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 928.62

Checking Account Balance as of 12/31/77 \$ 227.64

Savings Account Balance as of 12/31/77 -0-

SUNDAY SCHOOL
1977 ACTIVITIES

1. Communications workshop held on February 28th to March 2nd - sponsored by C.R.E.
2. Open House on May 8th at which parents were invited.
3. Graduation of two ninth graders, Charles Roy and Jim Topalian, on May 29, 1977
4. A family picnic on June 5th, attended by 183 people
5. Christmas Program on December 24th
6. Vacation Bible School - August 1 - 5th
A special summer program attended by 23 children under the Direction of Mrs. Jean Armaganian

No. of Meetings - 7
No. of Teachers - 14
No. of Assistants - 8
No. of Pupils - 73

ACYOA
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION
1/1/77 - 12/31/77

Checking Account Balance as of 1/1/77 \$1,215.62

Savings Account Balance as of 1/1/77 -0-

INCOME

1. Void check & re-enter	\$ 11.35	
2. Profit from food sold at 1977 tourney	102.40	
3. Profit from Bake Sale	42.10	
	TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$ 155.85</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

1. Annual transfer to St. Mesrob	\$1,000.00	
2. Volleyball Tourney 1977	119.59	
3. Fliers for 1976 Dance	34.32	
4. Flowers for Der Kayr (while in hospital)	18.00	
5. Items for Xmas stockings (for elderly)	12.86	
6. Flowers for Janet Akulian (while in hospital)	11.40	
7. Items for December Bake Sale	5.38	
8. Items for Xmas party	38.33	
9. Matrangas Market	10.75	
	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$1,250.83</u>

Checking Account Balance as of 12/31/77 \$ 120.84

Savings Account Balance as of 12/31/77 -0-

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ACYOA
1977 ACTIVITIES

Midwest Sports Tournament
(featuring boys basketball & girls volleyball)
Christmas Party for Youth

Officers:

Chairman: Nishan Akgulian
Vice Chairman: Nick Akgulian
Secretary: Michael Minasian
Treasurer: Kathy Garabedian

Staff (Advisors):

Goldie Roy
Mike & Mary Janikian

Membership: 15

Number of Meetings: 10

ST. MESROB MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE 77

The Maintenance Committee is comprised of volunteer help and is open to any member of the St. Mesrob Church. The committee meetings are held on each Thursday or any other day if necessary. The committee's primary function is to maintain and improve the properties, and also contribute ideas for the total improvement of the properties.

The committee works directly under the Parish Council, thus any financial assistance is obtained through the Parish Council Treas.

The committee is in constant need of more help especially during the summer months. Many of the active members are in the retirement age group thus making some of these jobs very heavy chore. New, young blood is a "must", if these projects are to be continued.

Listed below are numerous accomplishments and projects handled throughout the year.

1. Approximately (110) truck loads of fill dirt received, and leveled by Sam Azarian. This fill dirt completes our requirements. The other work is the need of black dirt which must be purchased and leveled by a commercial contractor.
2. Planting of trees to back end of property as soon as leveling operations have been completed. Some tree's have already been planted and six members have made donations. The price range for these trees vary from \$20.00 to \$60.00. Please contact any member of the committee if you are interested.
3. Maintenance work, general landscaping, fertilizing, grass cutting, trimming of shrubs, and miscellaneous duties done on a weekly basis by the committee. This work requires 10 to 12 hours of the committee time each week, especially this year because the house up-keep was also added the latter part of the year.
4. Stripping and waxing of all the tiled floors in the gym, kitchen, and class room areas.
5. Overhaul of the Jacobsen Tractor, repair parts obtained through the efforts of Sahag Akgulian.
6. Maintenance and general house cleaning of gym storage area, done on a periodical basis.
7. Maintenance on altar curtain to work properly, to the best of our ability because rail is underdesigned.
8. Repair of roof leaks at Priest room office area done by retarring wherever necessary.

9. General maintenance of oil filters, air compressors, oiling of motors, and periodic checks of all valves and gauges for furnace controls.
10. Installation of a new mail box on Erie Street. All material received by donations.
11. Cleaning kitchen equipment, floors, and lubricating all kitchen cart wheels to make them more mobile.
12. New candle stick holder stand built and donated by Roger Rossman.
13. New shelf brackets donated by Nielsen Iron Works.

Note: The Committee would like to especially thank the following retired employees, for a job well done. They are Arshag Azarian, Harry Musurlian, Al Topalian and Paul Chobanian.

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- Mike Vidian - Chairman
- Sam Akgulian- Vice-Chairman
- Arshag Azarian
- Harry Akgulian
- Harry Musurlian
- Al Topalian
- Kay Mikaelian
- Mark Akgulian
- Sahag Akgulian
- Paul Chobanian

PICNIC COMMITTEE
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION

1/1/77 - 12/31/77

Checking Acct. Bal. as of 1/1/77 \$ 5.00

Savings Acct. Balance -0-

INCOME

1. General Sales	\$ 10,118.13
2. Sales Booth	402.25
3. Cook Books	310.00
4. Donations	105.00
5. Dancing	88.00
6. Raffles	6,878.00

TOTAL INCOME \$ 17,901.35

DISBURSEMENTS

1. Raffles and Prizes	\$ 422.36
2. Cook Book	1,639.25
3. Administration	338.71
4. Band	275.00
5. Food	3,769.97
6. Paper Goods	213.82
7. Misc.	248.20

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 6,907.31

Checking Account Balance as of 12/31/77 \$ 855.00

Savings Account -0-

COMMUNITY CENTER
PICNIC COMMITTEE
1977 ACTIVITIES

Officers:

Chairman-Treas. Perry Paragiamian
 Harry Boranian
 Mike Garoukian
 Harry Cherkinian
 Harry Armaganian

25 meetings during the year

RECEIPTS

PAID

EXPENSES

10.00	Food	1.00
15.00	Food	1.00
20.00	Food	1.00
25.00	Food	1.00
30.00	Food	1.00
35.00	Food	1.00
40.00	Food	1.00
45.00	Food	1.00
50.00	Food	1.00
55.00	Food	1.00
60.00	Food	1.00
65.00	Food	1.00
70.00	Food	1.00
75.00	Food	1.00
80.00	Food	1.00
85.00	Food	1.00
90.00	Food	1.00
95.00	Food	1.00
100.00	Food	1.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS

TOTAL PAID

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The financial statement below shows the status of the Fund as of December 31, 1977. Values for stock holdings reflect the market price on 12-30-77.

The Auditing Committee has audited the Financial Records of the Parish Council and finds them in order.

(VII)	\$ 204.00	\$ 217.00	* 12 shares of the
(VI)	188.75	210.00	* 20 shares of
(V)	100.00	100.00	Mary (Mark) Akgulian
(IV)	112.00	112.00	Frank Vidian
	\$189.12	TOTAL NET WORKS	

(*) Shares being held in Trust by local 400. Under account No. 4401-1171-1000.

Safety Deposit Box Inventory as of Jan. 2, 1978, at the Farmers & Merchants Bank contains the following:

1. Agreement between St. Joseph Church and Architects A. J. J. signed on August 22, 1963.
2. Certification of sale of the State Street property to Father St. Luke's Parish Church on January 1973.
3. Warranty deed for the sale of the State Street property dated January, 1973.
4. Abstract statement of the Highway 31 property dated April 9, 1963.
5. Original mortgage for 1316 State Street property and the warranty deed both items dated Sept. 10, 1971.
6. Original statement for acquisition of Highway 31 on 1973 at the State Street property dated September 20, 1960.
7. Mortgage Agreement for 1316 State Street property dated January 1973.
8. State Certificates for AT & T W. Elec. Paper shown above.

Submitted by
 Sam Akgulian

T. MESROB RESERVE FUND
1976 FINANCIAL REPORT
December 31, 1977

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The financial statement below shows the value of the Fund as of December 31, 1977. Values for stock holdings reflect the market price on 12-30-77.

	<u>Net Worth</u>	<u>AV. Yield</u>
* 12 Shares of AMF Inc. @ \$17.00	\$ 204.00	(7½%)
* 10 Shares of Allegheny Ludium @ \$18.375	183.75	(4%)
44 Shares Am. Tel. & Tel. @ \$60.375	2656.50	(7%)
132 Shares Wis. Elec. Power @ \$31.250	4125.00	(7%)
TOTAL NET WORTH	\$7169.25	

(*) Shares being held in Trust by Loewi & Co. under account No. RA01-1171-1006.

Safety Deposit Box Inventory as of Jan. 5, 1978, at the Farmers & Merchants Bank contains the following:

1. Agreement between St. Mesrob Church and Architect Al Seitz signed on August 29, 1969.
2. Certification of sale of the State Street property to Greater St. Luke's Baptist Church on January 1973.
3. Warranty Deed for the sale of the State Street property dated January, 1973.
4. Indenture Statement of the Highway 31 property dated April 8, 1963.
5. Original Mortgage for 1326 State Street property and the warranty deed-both items dated Sept. 16, 1925.
6. Original Agreement for satisfaction of Mortgage on 1326 State Street property dated September 28, 1940.
7. Mortgage Agreement for 1326 State Street property dated January 1932.
8. Stock Certificates for AT & T & Wis. Elec. Power shown above.

Submitted by
 Sam Akgulian