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"A Proud Past...A Bright Future" was the feeling at our 89th Diocesan Assembly - new energies and new direction.

There were comprehensive discussions concerning our youth, young adults, Sunday schools, Armenian language schools, Church services, religious education, family ministry, senior citizens, social services, need for more clergy, Church unity, and the re-organization of the Diocese to better serve our community. These discussions were very productive and the suggestions were noted and will be implemented by the Primate and the Diocesan Council.

But to make these changes possible, to expand and improve the programs and services of the Diocese, and thereby benefiting each and every parish, your assistance is urgently needed. One effective way is through a Stewardship Program that will inspire us to greater commitment to the work of the Church.

Stewardship is a noble concept and a means by which we can help support our Diocese - St. Vartan Cathedral, the Cultural Center, Catholicos Karekin Hovsepian Library, the Armenian Museum, and the Headquarters where exigencies are dealt with regularly. It is an acknowledgment that we, all of us, are the Church itself and that in supporting the Diocese we add strength to ourselves.

Stewards will be asked to:

1. **Make an ANNUAL pledge of \$100; OR**
2. **Become a Life Steward by making a one-time donation of \$1,500 per person.**

A Life Steward is a steward in perpetuity with his/her name recorded on the Life Steward tableau. An annual prayer will be said for deceased Life Stewards. The \$1,500 Life Stewardship donation will be invested and only the annual interest earned will be used by the Diocese to support its programs and services.

Parishes through their clergy, chairpersons and delegates have asked the Diocese to be innovative and aggressive in its mission, and such plans are ready; but, without our ongoing financial support, the most imaginative and effective projects will not succeed. Your financial support is vitally needed to make the difference.

You can definitely help to strengthen the Diocese by joining us as a Steward. May we count on your participation as a member of our Stewardship Program?

Please complete the enclosed form and mail it today.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

George K. Papalian  
Coordinator

P.S. When you return the Stewardship pledge, you will be making a special bond with the Diocese and a valuable contribution toward the growth of its programs, thus supporting our Primate, His Grace Bishop Khajag Barsamian and his innovative plans.

Enclosure