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BISHOP KHAJAG BARSAMIAN, PRIMATE

July 6, 1992

Mr. & Mrs. Jon Simonian
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Dear Jon and Charlene:

It was a pleasure talking to you last Friday and seeing you and the children on Sunday. Your daughter stole my heart.

First, permit me to thank you again for your advice and comments on investing the Life Stewards funds and to forward pledge forms so that both of you may join the Diocesan Stewardship family.

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 Language schools, Sunday Schools, Church services, Religious Education, Family Ministry, Senior Citizens, Social Services, need for more clergy, young adults, and especially our youth.

The re-organization of the Diocese has started and will continue to better serve our community. One effective way to expand and improve the programs and services of the Diocese is through a Stewardship Program that will inspire us to greater commitment to the work of the Church.

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

The Diocese has been asked to be innovative and aggressive in its mission; 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.

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

Sincerely,

George K. Papalian
Coordinator

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