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*"I am the resurrection and the life." John 11:25*

What would you like people to say about you at your memorial service? Who would you like to stand up to speak about you during the service or during the memorial meal? What do you want them to say? What do you want people to hear about you?

We've had quite a few memorial services in the last year. I love proclaiming the resurrection, the reality of life beyond this life and the enduring of the Christian: "absent from the body, present with the Lord." (2 Corinthians 5:8)

What I love nearly as much, is listening to the eulogies and personal reflections from those who deeply love and miss their departed family member or friend. Sometimes, I have the privilege of preparing the eulogy with the family when it's difficult for one of them to do so. I've even delivered eulogies for families and, apart from proclaiming the truth of Scripture, there's nothing else quite so sacred for me. I even love the silly stories at lunch!

What will be said about you? What do you want to be spoken?

You may know people who have written their own obituary and the order and content of their entire service! It sure makes it easy for the family! Several times throughout my adult life, in an effort to gain clarity and focus, I have penned a draft of my eulogy and even the short phrase for my headstone. It's amazing what singularity of vision an exercise like this does. In fact, I'm in the process of doing it again right now.

If we take the time, it will help us to live the rest of our lives for what matters most.

As we prepare to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the anchor of our hope of eternal life, why not take these last weeks of Lent to focus on your memorial service. Turn on the computer or pull out a pad of paper and get started. It may just change the rest of your life.

**Christ is risen from the dead, blessed be the resurrection of Christ!**

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Badveli Greg

**Easter Week at FAPC**

<b>Palm Sunday,</b> April 10th Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.	<b>Maundy Thursday,</b> April 14th Dinner at 5:30 p.m. Service at 6:30 p.m.
<b>Easter Sunday, April 17th</b> Service at 10:30 a.m. Egg Hunt after the service	

**Memorial Day Picnic**  
**Monday, May 30th**

More details coming soon!

**BOLD LOVE**

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**June 2022**

Let us therefore draw near with boldness to the throne of grace  
Hebrews 4:16

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Juniors - July 24th-30th

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## CONGRAULATIONS TO...

Alexander S. Nahigian D.D.S. on his affiliation with the Woolf Dentistry Offices at Herndon and Van Ness Avenues in Northwest Fresno. Alex is a graduate of U.C. Santa Barbara and the Ostrow School of Dentistry at the University of Southern California.



Edward and Victoria Ashjian are pleased to announce the birth of two grandchildren born in different years and countries, only weeks apart. First grandchild, Allison Ripley Hancock 12/28/2021 to Nicholas and Rebecca Hancock - Fresno, CA. Second grandchild, Tabitha Zelinda Kharadjian 1/17/2022 to Hrach-Henry and Ani Kharadjian - Sydney, Australia. We are blessed and overjoyed to welcome two happy, healthy grandbabies.



Pat and Keith Harrison welcome grandchildren George Austin Harrison, born 1/21/22 to Phillip Harrison and Yiyi Ma, and Lyra Rose born 3/21/22 to Katherine Harrison, Albert Chen, and big sister Ravenna.



Vanna In, newly-appointed Executive Director of Hope Now for Youth, shared his Christian testimony and faith journey with the congregation on March 20, 2022, the third Sunday of Lent. Vanna's moving story included an upbringing in Southeast Fresno, membership in a criminal street gang, a 1993 felony conviction, imprisonment, a transformed life through the ministry of Hope Now, a pardon from the Governor of the State of California, and a Master of Arts Degree in Christian Ministry. Founded by Reverend Roger A.D. Minassian in 1993, Hope Now seeks to bring youth out of gangs into a productive life through loving and caring relationships and jobs. Hope Now will mark its 29th Anniversary at a Banquet in the Clovis Veterans Memorial Building on June 2, 2022. Please visit [hopenow.org](http://hopenow.org) for more details.



## UPCOMING EVENTS...

Join us Thursday, April 14, 2022 for Maundy Thursday. Dinner starts at 5:30 pm. Following the meal, there will be a service starting at 6:30 pm.



There will be an Easter Egg Hunt Sunday, April 17, 2022, following the Easter Sunday Worship service. Children ages 3 years to 5th grade are welcome to participate.



The Armenian Missionary Association of American (AMAA) is again sponsoring the James G. Jameson Essay Contest. Students of Armenian descent attending schools in North America are eligible. Eligible essays must be written in English, be previously unpublished, have a length of 1,000 to 2,000 words, and touch upon some aspect of Armenian heritage and experience, such as Religion, History, Culture, Literature, Language, Art, Architecture, Geography and Economics. Awards for the Contest are made in two categories: College/University contestants, and High School contestants. The deadline for entries is May 1, 2022. For more information about the contest, please email: [lucyr@amaa.org](mailto:lucyr@amaa.org).



## PAST EVENTS...

The Presbytery of Pacific Southwest (POPS), regional governing body of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC), convened at FAPC on January 21-22, 2022 for its 13th Stated Meeting. Presbytery Members and Commissioners examined and welcomed several new pastors and pastoral candidates, discussed shared ministry challenges, and reviewed potential new church plantings during the weekend.

Jim Connors PE, a native Fresnan, petroleum engineer, and past Presbytery Moderator, spoke at the FAPC Worship Service on Sunday, January 23.



# Family Life News

FAPC hosted the 2022 San Joaquin Valley Vartanantz Service on February 24. Vartanantz commemorates the A.D. 451 battle on the Avaryr Plain in Vasbouragan between a Christian Armenian army led by General Vartan Mamigonian and the pagan army of Sassanid Persia. The resistance of the Vartan's Army against superior numbers preserved the Christian Faith of the Armenian people. Senior Pastor Gregory Haroutunian opened the Service of Commemoration with greetings to the 200 assembled guests, a welcome on behalf of the Armenian Clergy of the San Joaquin Valley, and a call to worship drawn from Revelation 12:11. More than 50 students from the Charlie Keyan Armenian Community School of Clovis presented rousing vocal anthems and recitations in the Armenian language while dressed in ceremonial garb of early Armenia. Associate Pastor Kevin Kasper of Pilgrim Armenian Congregational Church and Reverend Father Mashdots Keshishian of St. Mary Armenian Apostolic Church of Yetem read the Scriptures (Hebrews 11:1-2, 13-16, 32-40.) Ani Haroutunian and Nerses Kalayjian led the assembled gathering in "Havadkus Chem Moranah." Reverend Father Ashod Katchadourian offered an Armenian prayer and Vartanantz anthem. Former Fresno County Supervisor Deborah Koligian Poochigian keyed the civic portion of the commemorative service. She noted the Battle of Avaryr took place 150 years after the adoption of Christianity in Armenia and spoke about the women of early Armenia, particularly General Vartan's daughter Shoushanig. Citing John 15:13-14, she noted, "The Martyrs of 451 gave all. . . . We are here tonight to remember the plight of our forefathers and reaffirm our commitment to Christ as our true love. . . . As we remember the faithfulness of Vartan's army and his daughter . . . you who have asked Christ to come into your life and be your Savior [are] the recipients of His True Love." Nerses Kalayjian and Organist Mike Varlas led the congregation in the singing of "Faith of Our Fathers." Badveli Greg read from 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 and administered the Sacrament of Holy Communion, as Vartan and his army did before the Battle of Avaryr. The assembled clergy led in the singing of the Hayr Mer. Steven R. Adams, Grand Commander/Avak Sharabed of the Grand Tivan, thanked the assembled guests on behalf of the Knights and Daughters of Vartan. The evening concluded with the benediction by Badveli Greg and a fellowship reception hosted by the Knights and Daughters.



## DEACONS CORNER

I am excited to be serving as Deacon Chair this year. I want to begin by thanking Sela Ghazarian for the excellent example she set for me as the previous Deacon Chair! I started as a deacon in January 2020. When I was asked, I was excited to be able to reach out, on behalf of the church, to my group of people to offer support, encouragement, and prayer. I find that when God calls us into service, it is simultaneously in our best interest and of others.

Some of my highlights of serving as a Deacon are: I have been able to get to know some of the families in our congregation much better. I've had the privilege of walking with others during various life situations: a new baby, loss of a loved one, surgeries and procedures, restored health, job loss, new job, difficult family situations and so on. I admit that if I were not a Deacon, I would not have known what was going on in the lives of these families. I appreciate their honesty and trust of me. I have been able to pray for them specifically with their requests in mind. "Pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people." Ephesians 6:18. I have also experienced the blessing of prayer when they asked to pray for me and my family.

The Deacons are excited for what the Lord has for us and for the congregation as we consider the ways we can be most effective in our ministry. Please pray for us and God's leading as the Elders reimagine what the Deacon's ministry looks like for 2022.

Noelle Nightingale, Deacon Chair

## Our Condolences...

Vahack Haroutunian passed away on December 3, 2021, at the age of 94. A native of Brooklyn, New York, Vahack and his family moved to San Francisco in 1944 following a 12-day driving trip from the East to West Coast. A voracious reader, Vahack earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in History and Mathematics with honors from the University of California and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in both subjects. Vahack went on to a 55-year career in mathematics education at San Francisco Adult High School, San Francisco City College, and Fresno City College. He also served as Trustee of the Pacific Union Elementary School District in rural Bowles, Fresno County. A gifted photographer and teacher of Scripture, Vahack was a longtime member and officer of the Golden Gate Chapter of the Triple X Fraternity. He was preceded in death by his parents, Vahram and Malvine Haroutunian, and by his sister, Aurora Garabedian. He was survived by his beloved wife of 65 years, the former Elizabeth Papazian; four children, Paul and his wife, Kim; Susan Cunningham and her husband, John; Reverend Gregory V. Haroutunian and his wife, Sossy; and Julie Thurber and her husband, Ted; 12 grandchildren, Hannah and Ruth Haroutunian; Evan and Elizabeth Cunningham; Mark, Ani, and Alexan Haroutunian; and Eddy, Isabella, Gabriella, Anneliese, and Cassandra Thurber; and many dear nieces and nephews.



Julie Ann (Jenanyan) Fleming, a child of our Church, passed away in Chandler, Arizona on December 12, 2021, at the age of 52. A native of Merced, Julie grew up in Fresno, was educated at Hoover High School and California State University, Fresno, and played interscholastic soccer for many years. She married journalist Michael S. Fleming in 1995, and their life's journey took them to different areas of California, Kentucky, and Arizona. A professional recreational therapist, Julie was also known as an aficionado of the San Francisco Giants, HGTV, soap operas, Armenian cuisine and entertaining, and especially known for the love of her family. Senior Pastor Gregory Haroutunian, Julie's youth minister in the 1980s, remembered her as a young woman of "fierce love, fierce loyalty" who had "no qualms about sacrifice [for others]—to her it wasn't sacrifice, it was simply love." Julie was preceded in death by her grandparents, Harry and Leona Jenanyan, and her aunt, Barbara Jean Nersesian. She is survived by her beloved husband, Michael; her precious 11-year-old daughter, Lea; parents, Judy Arabian and Stanley and Guin Jenanyan; sister, Kate Richbourg, brothers, Scott, Joel, Nick, and David; aunt, Nancy Nersesian; and many cherished nieces, nephews, and friends.



Elizabeth (Yessabet Papazian) Haroutunian, faithful teacher of the Scripture and caring mentor to young women, passed away near her birthplace in rural Easton on January 10, 2022, at the age of 90. Elizabeth was born on the family farm in "Paul Town," the southeast corner of Manning and Elm Avenues south of Fresno. She was educated at University Colony Elementary School and Washington Union High School, where she excelled as a scholar, athlete, and student leader. Upon graduation, Elizabeth matriculated at then-Fresno State College, where she was an honor student, member of the concert orchestra and Bulldog marching band, and leader in interscholastic activities. Her documentary history of those years is now housed as the "Elizabeth Papazian Haroutunian Collection (1948-1969)" in the University Archives at the Library of California State University, Fresno. After earning her degree and credential, Elizabeth taught Third Grade at Calwa Elementary School in southeast Fresno. She met and married a young San Francisco educator, Vahack Haroutunian, in 1956, and they settled in his adopted hometown in the Bay Area. Vahack and Elizabeth co-founded the Sunday School at Saint Gregory Armenian Apostolic Church in San Francisco, and she served as a Parent-Teacher Association Leader and Cub Scout Den Mother for her children. In the summer of 1970, the Haroutunian Family relocated to "Paul Town" so that Elizabeth could care for her aging mother. Led to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ by her elder son, Elizabeth went on to teach the Holy Scriptures at Bible Study Fellowship, Sunday School classes at Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church and Pilgrim Armenian Congregational Church, and the Young Wives' and Mothers' Bible Studies at PACC and FAPC. A gifted teacher and listener who loved the soil and the seasons, Elizabeth passed away just a few hundred yards from her birthplace. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Vahack; her parents, Boghos and Juhar (Tootelian) Papazian; and her sisters, Berjouhi and Gladys. She is survived by her four children, Paul and his wife, Kim; Susan Cunningham and her husband, John; Reverend Gregory V. Haroutunian and his wife, Sossy; and Julie Thurber and her husband, Ted; 12 grandchildren, Hannah and Ruth Haroutunian; Evan and Elizabeth Cunningham; Mark, Ani, and Alexan Haroutunian; and Eddy, Isabella, Gabriella, Anneliese, and Cassandra Thurber; her sister, Rose Margosian; and her dear nieces and nephews.



# Family Life News

Mark Suren Melkonian passed away on January 7, 2022, at the age of 65. A native of Fowler, Mark grew up on the family farm in the Lone Star District of Fresno County. He was educated at Sanger High School and Reedley College, where he turned in outstanding performances as a defensive lineman for the football teams of the Apaches and Tigers. After college, Mark joined the family agricultural business, Lone Star Dehydrator, one of the largest processors and suppliers of specialty raisins and dried stone fruits in the United States. Mark was a past board member of Sun-Maid Growers of California, the Western Diocese Armenian Church Camp, and the Fresno State Bulldogs Rodeo Team. In 2017, the Sanger District Chamber of Commerce honored Mark as “Mr. Farmer of the Year” for his agricultural accomplishments and civic involvement. Mark was preceded in death by his parents, Suren and Violet (Arabian) Melkonian and by his brother, Douglas Hovigim Melkonian. He is survived by his beloved wife of 36 years, Cheri; children, Philip Melkonian and his wife, Elyssa, Shelli Melkonian, and Michael Melkonian; grandson, Jack Melkonian; brother, Dennis Melkonian and his wife, Victoria; and many dear nieces and nephews.



Paula Jane (Tologian) Moran, beloved sister in Christ, passed away in her Fresno home on January 21, 2022, at the age on 95. A native of Fresno, Paula grew up on a family farm in the Oleander District southeast of town. She attended Oleander Elementary School and Washington Union High School, where she excelled as a scholar and competitive athlete. Upon graduation in 1944, Paula moved to the San Francisco Bay area, where she served as secretary to the manager of the local office of Paramount Pictures, Inc. She met and married Donald VanLone “Bud” Moran, a World War II Navy veteran who later served in the U.S. Coast Guard. A true prayer warrior and faithful reader of the Holy Scriptures, Paula attended the Thursday Women’s Bible Study at FAPC for 25 years. She was preceded in death by her dear husband, Bud; parents, Arakel and Pauline (Nakashian) Tologian; and siblings, Ernest Tologian, Edward Evans Tologian, Dorothy Marie Belloni, Betty May Pearce, and Rochelle Joan Andranigian. She is survived by her children, Noell Joy “Cookie” Comper and her husband, Peter; and Rodger Donald Moran and his wife, Margia; three granddaughters; four great-grandchildren; and many dear nieces and nephews.



Gary Charles Simonian, servant leader of FAPC for more than half a century, passed away on February 22, 2022, at the age of 90. A native of Yetttem, Gary grew up in Sanger and attended Highland Elementary School and Sanger High School, where he was a member of the track and field team and went on to become an active Sanger Unified Athletics Booster. He graduated from then-Fresno State College in 1952, with a Bachelor’s Degree in Business. Gary served in the United States Army during the Korean War. Upon discharge, he completed additional courses at Golden Gate University in San Francisco, passed the California Certified Public Accountant examination, and was licensed in October 1959. Gary practiced public accounting in the Downtown Helm Building and in his own building near Fresno-Yosemite International Airport for almost 60 years. At FAPC, Gary served as Trustee, Ruling Elder, member of the General Building Council that planned the present-day campus, and Treasurer of the three Committees that erected the Christian Education Building, Sanctuary, and Fellowship Hall. Gary also served as Chair of the Session Committee on Budget and Finance for more than two decades. The Session saluted him as a Silent Servant of the Congregation for his years of faithful ministry. Gary was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 59 years, Elaine June (Arootian) Simonian; and by his parents, Sam and Sarah Simonian, and his stepmother, Alice (Adjemian) Simonian. He is survived by his four children, Gregory Charles Simonian and his wife, Jeannie; Sarah Lynne Koligian and her husband, Wayne; Peter Todd Simonian and his wife, Patricia; and Matthew Paul Simonian and his wife, Valerie; grandchildren, Paul Koligian and his wife, Claire; Patrick Koligian and his wife, Kelly; John Koligian and his wife, Amanda; Katherine Koligian; Jonathan and Madison Simonian; Lauren and Taylor Simonian; and Elizabeth, Margaret, and Samuel Simonian; and five great-grandchildren.





# Missions Report

The March 2022 Mission to Lebanon.

Consider Galatians 6:1-10, inviting us to “Carry each other’s burdens” and doing “Doing Good to All”

I was blessed to be part of the Advance Armenia Foundation Mission to Lebanon March 2022, led by the Honorary Consul, Republic of Armenia, Mr. Berj Apkarian. He organized five medical professionals from Fresno including Van Boghossian, M.D., Garine Lepedjian, M.D., Garo Khatchigian, M.D., Vatche Wassilian, D.D.S. and myself, along with Ms. Anita Boghossian as administrative assistant.

The team evaluated and treated patients for a total of five days. The majority of our time was spent serving patients at the Araxie Boulghourdjian Relief Cross or (Oknition Khach) (<http://www.lokh-arcl.org>) located in the Bourj Hammoud neighborhood of Beirut, Lebanon. This medical center is located in an historic Armenian neighborhood that was once 99% Armenian. In the past ten years, the influx of refugees and other peoples has changed the composition. Most notable are the 500,000 to 1 million Syrian refugees who live in scattered housing and tents throughout the country.

The Boulghourdjian Relief Cross center provides primary medical, dental and social services to any person who enters the facility and it does not discriminate based on religion, race or ability to pay. The director is Ms. Nazeli Avakian. She and her staff are very kind and caring people, and they provide an amazing service as they literally are caring for the least of these. Their chief physician is Dr. Elie Tashjian, M.D.

Our group also cared for patients at several other locations. We spent one day at the Armenian Relief Society’s clinic in Anjar. The director, Ms. Tsoghig Havatian, had expressed to Mr. Berj Apkarian that their clinic had a dire need to have the ability to do ultrasound. We were blessed to have a new portable ultrasound machine donated by Mr. Roman Solek, President of Interson Corporation. Dr. Lepedjian, M.D., who is a pediatrician, went to Birds Nest Orphanage (Trchnots Pouyn) one day. One evening, Dr. Khatchigian and I went to the Bikfayya seminary and examined all the residents. Hayr Sourp/Father Barouyr Shernezian is an amazing compassionate servant of God who deeply knows and cares for all their residents.

Lebanon is again facing very difficult times. The influx of Syrian refugees has overwhelmed the system. The Beirut Port explosion of August 4th, 2020, further killed 200+ people, injured 7,000 people and displaced 300,000 people. The emotional trauma of the blast is overwhelming. The financial collapse of 2019 produced 1,300+% inflation and frozen bank accounts throughout the country. People are unable to withdraw their personal or business savings. This, coupled with the cost of living increase of 13 times due to inflation over the past two years, has made daily life nearly impossible. This has produced an overwhelming sense of despair and hopelessness. Imagine this in American terms. You live on a yearly salary of 60,000 dollars with a mortgage of one thousand per month. Now your buying power has decreased to 385 dollars per month. How do you live? Your savings, if you had any, are also frozen.

Read <https://www.reuters.com/markets/rates-bonds/lebanons-financial-crisis-how-it-happened-2022-01-23/> to learn more about this financial crisis.

I decided to spend an additional five days in Lebanon, and I met with multiple people and organizations trying to better understand how our fellowship could “share and carry their burdens.” I have learned about and witnessed the following very difficult, real problems: 1. People are unable to secure adequate food. 2. People are unable to receive secondary medical care and are turned away from hospitals due to inability to pay. 3. People cannot secure medicines even if they have money. Many medicines are not available or obtainable. Cancer patients are unable to continue their treatments. A majority of older patients do not have the means to purchase basic medications. 4. The electrical power is only on two hours a day. People either live in the dark and the food in the refrigerator spoils, or they must pay for an alternative power source with a local generator. 5. People cannot afford their rent post financial crisis. 6. People and organizations are unable to purchase adult diapers for elderly care.

The Howard Karagheusian Commemorative Corporation was launched in New York in 1921, by the Karagheusian Foundation and has provided relief and education to orphaned children who survived the Armenian Genocide. They have expanded over the years and continue to serve the ancestors of the Armenian refugee population but have embraced the Syrian refugees and other peoples in Bourj Hammoud regardless of race, religion, or the ability to pay. In 2013, they were seeing approximately 20,000 people a year but as of 2021, they saw approximately 130,000 patients. The director is Mr. Serop Ohanian. They provide family medicine, internal medicine, pediatric, obstetrical/gynecological, dental, orthopedic, cardiac, ophthalmological, psychiatric, and psychological care. They also have pharmaceutical, in home elderly care and social services. This is the largest social services organization in Lebanon.

The Jinishian Memorial Program, founded in 1966, enables Armenians in need to move from poverty and despair to self-sufficiency and hope through relief, development and spiritual uplift. They are also located in Bourj Hammoud. The director is Ms. Pauline Sagherian. They cite Micah 6:8 as motivation to care for our Armenian brothers and sisters in need. They provide social services, medical care and pharmacy services.

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The Social Impact Committee is the combined effort of the Union of Evangelical churches of Lebanon to provide social relief located in Bourj Hammoud. The director is Ms. Lena Danoghlanian. They work with the clergy and referrals to meet the overwhelming social and financial needs.

Youth for Christ has a strong presence in Bourj Hammoud and throughout the Middle East. The Manara (Lighthouse) Center director is Mr. Shant Aynilian. Currently, they share the love of Christ with refugee children in the junior high and high school ages. They have multiple programs which include tutoring and vocational programs like knitting and wood shop. They have evening classes on reconciliation and the scriptures. Mr. John Sagherian is the regional director for the Middle East and North Africa.

Syrian Bedouins who fled Syria to Lebanon reported, “We actively choose to live in the Armenian Ghettos of Bourj Hammoud,” because they knew they would be treated fairly and kindly.

I want to point out that there are many wonderful and capable Armenian committed Christian servants caring for the least of these in Bourj Hammoud. You may recall FAPC raised 18,000 dollars of the 70,000 dollars needed to assist the Nor Marash church with needed repairs following the Port Explosion. Last year, the Mission Committee provided 4,500 dollars to provide Vacation Bible Schools in Bourj Hammoud. Think about these true statements made by various Muslims refugees to the servants mentioned above:

“100 years ago, you Armenians were genocide survivors and refugees in Aleppo, Syria and were desperate and we cared for you. Who would think that 100 years later we would be coming to you for help to survive?”

The Missions Committee at First Armenian Presbyterian Church invites you to commit these situations and these organizations to prayer and is promoting a month long fundraising campaign to provide you with an opportunity to “Carry Burdens” and fulfill the “Law of Christ” and provide financial assistance to these vetted amazing organizations mentioned above. Please know that the above organizations are directed by trustworthy, devout Christians who care deeply about their community and know how to vet the complex social needs. If you are able, please make a special donation to the Lebanon relief fund. All of the money donated will go directly to these above mentioned organizations as the missions committee prayerfully decides, or as you specifically earmark. I also want you to know that I truly appreciated all of your prayer support, especially the love I always experience in our church fellowship.

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In Christ's Love,

Jay Khushigian



## FAPC MISSIONS

FAPC missions exists to further the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ around the world. 10% of our church giving goes to these ministries. - Paul Haroutunian, Elder for Missions.



1. Vardan - Details withheld for security. Armenian Pastor of a church.

2. Chinar Merjanian, Armenia  
Leading an Alpha course with students and building a house of prayer in Armenia.

Please be praying  
for each of these  
ministries and  
missionaries!

3. Peter & Shushan Telian, Armenia  
Training students and building a house of prayer in Armenia

4. Craig & Joyce Simonian, Armenia  
Reaching this generation of Armenians so they can reach the nations.



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### ***Upcoming Special Events***

April 10th - Palm Sunday

April 14th - Maundy Thursday

April 17th - Easter Sunday

April 17th - 24/7 Prayer Day

May 1st - Congregational Meeting

May 17th - 24/7 Prayer Day

May 30th - Memorial Day Picnic

June 5th - Youth Sunday

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