

**Mr. John Chance, Pianist - Choir Director
Pastor Makarios Darawi**

11:00 A.M.

May 25, 2008

*We welcome all who are worshiping with us, especially guests and newcomers. We invite you to take part in worship, to engage in the activities of the church and make this your home church.
A supervised nursery is available for children age two and under.*

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMNS & SONGS** – #5 “Come, Thou Almighty King” (Vv. 1,3,4)
#121 “Love Lifted Me” (Vv. 1,2)
#22 “How Great Thou Art” (1,3,4 – Songbook)

INVOCATION

***THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

ANTHEM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

PRAYER

OFFERING

SCRIPTURE IN ARMENIAN: 1 Peter 3:8-18 (P.1890)

MESSAGE IN ARMENIAN: “The Reason For Our Hope”

***HYMN** – #76 “Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine” (Vv.1,3)

SCRIPTURE IN ENGLISH: Colossians 2:11-12 (P.1833)

MESSAGE IN ENGLISH: “Basic Christian Beliefs –Baptism (II)

***HAYR MER** – #133

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** “Park K0ez D0er, Asdvadz M0er”

POSTLUDE

**Congregation is requested to stand*

**** Latecomers may be seated*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRADUATION NOTICE! ACC would like to honor our graduates by publishing their names and degrees in the monthly bulletin and at church on Sunday, June 8. Please submit names of your loved ones graduating this year from Elementary School, Junior High, High School, College, Graduate or post Graduate School, deadline for submission is **June 1st**.

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY. On **Saturday, May 31**, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. we would like to invite you to join us in sprucing up ACC, having lunch, and enjoying some great fellowship all at the same time.

THE LORD’S TABLE will be celebrated next Sunday, June 1st during the morning worship service.

NEW MEMBERS RECEPTION will be held on Sunday, June 8th during the morning worship hour.

ACC GROUP PHOTO please mark your calendars for Sunday, June 8th; there will be church and Sunday school student group pictures taken after the 11:00 a.m. church service.

ACYF LOCK-IN will be held on Friday June 6th through Sunday June 8th, youth ages 12- 17 are invited to sleepover at the church. AEYF Eastern Region Youth Pastor Ara Jizmejian will be speaking and leading the weekend.

ACC ANNUAL FATHER’S DAY PICNIC

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On Sunday **June 15**, the church family will gather at Martindale Beach in Kensington Metropark starting at 9:30 a.m. for the Father’s Day Picnic. There will be a church service at 10:00 a.m. followed by lunch, games and fun activities. Please add your name to the sheet posted on the bulletin board.

AEUNA BIENNIAL CONVENTION

The 19th Biennial Convention will take place in Glendale, CA from *Thursday June 26th- Sunday June 29th 2008* at Glendale Hilton Hotel. For more information please speak to Pastor Mak.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY.

- **Pray** for God's comfort on the Gant and Farsakian families as they mourn the death of Harry (Haroutun) Farsakian, brother of Joyce Gant who passed away on Sunday, May 18, 2008.
- **Birth.** Proud grandparents Mr. & Mrs. Ralph and Frances Garabedian welcome their new grandson, Ethan Gregory Dawson born to Mr. & Mrs. Steve and Julie Dawson on Saturday May 17, 2008.
- Proud grandparents Mr. & Mrs. Jan and Carole Janigian welcome their new granddaughter, Chloe Janigian, born in Florida on May 16.
Congratulations to the Garabedian, Dawson, and Janigian families.

Synopsis of the Armenian Message

(1 Peter 3:8-18)

After addressing the citizens, servants, wives, and husbands the apostle addresses everyone in general. He calls on everyone to live with each other in Christian harmony, being sympathetic, loving as brothers, being compassionate and humble. Starting at verse 9, Peter returns to addressing the issue of suffering under persecution. This whole letter should be understood with the backdrop of persecution. He encourages the believers not to retaliate against evil committed against them, but instead to bless. In verse 15, he says, "always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope you have." When as believers we truly live the gospel message before the watching eye of the world, they will inevitably ask us for the reason for the hope we have. The apostle wants us to be ready to give an answer. In verse 18 he provides the answer for this hope, "Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive by the Spirit." The living Jesus is the answer.

Do you have Christian hope? Do you have an answer for that hope?