

**Makarios Darawi, Pastor**  
**Mrs. Susan Harrison, Choir Director and Organist**

11:00 A.M.

February 20, 2011

*We welcome all who are worshipping 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.*

**PRELUDE**  
**CALL TO WORSHIP**

\*HYMNS & SONGS – #77 “*I Am Thine, O Lord*” (vv.1,2,4)

**PRAYER**

HYMN – #23 “*Jesus Paid It All*” (1,2,3,4)

**LORD’S SUPPER**

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**ENGLISH MESSAGE:** Genesis 3 (pp.5-6)

**“In The Beginning”**

**SANCTUARY CHOIR**

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY**

**OFFERING** – *offertory music*

**ARMENIAN MESSAGE:** Genesis 3 (pp.5-6)

**“In The Beginning”**

**REMINDERS**

\*HAYR MER – #133

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: “*Park Khez Døer, Asdvadz Møer*”

**POSTLUDE**

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**\*Congregation is requested to stand**

\*\*\* Latecomers be seated

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRAYER TIME.** Please join us for a prayer time following the worship service right here in the sanctuary.

**THE BOARD OF DEACON’S** February meeting will be held next Sunday, February 27, 2011 following the fellowship hour.

**THE CHANCEL CHOIR** will meet for a rehearsal on Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS** bible study will be held on Wednesday, February 23 at the Darawi’s, and on Friday, February 25 at the Arslanian’s.

**JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY.**

**Please pray** for EACH campaign ([www.eachtoday.com](http://www.eachtoday.com)).

### **Synopsis of the Armenian Message**

This is the 1st of a 6-part series on evangelism. It’s a unique series because we’re doing it with hundreds of other churches. For the next 6 weeks metro-Detroit is 1 big Church. This is new ground for all of us. Hundreds of churches, all on the same page, same heart, same message, same passion, and same mission. Isn’t that amazing? God has brought His Church together for such a time as this!

You’re going to learn what God is really like. You’re going to learn what the Bible is really about. And, you’re going to learn what’s most important in life. I am convinced that thousands of people right around this church don’t follow Jesus yet because they don’t understand Jesus yet. People all over this region are receptive to the message of Jesus, once they really understand it. But they have so many wrong ideas about Jesus, about Christianity, about the church. E.A.C.H. is about giving everyone a chance to really hear, to really see, to really understand the amazing grace of God, and giving everyone the chance to take the next step in their journey.

Today I want you to clearly understand the WHY behind this mission to bring God’s love to 3.5 million people. WHY should we care? WHY should we pray like we’ve never prayed before? WHY are we doing this? There are a lot of other things we could be doing the 40 days after Easter! WHY this mission? That’s the purpose of this 6 part series. To answer the WHY question. At the same time that we’re covering the WHY on the next 6 Sundays, we will be looking at the HOW in our 6 Training Segments. These training sessions are critical for you to get. (They will be rolled out in our Bible Study Groups over the next 6 weeks.) Please get on

board with this. People in churches all over metro-Detroit are doing this same training. I want everyone here to get this training. It is some of the best, most practical training I have ever seen on how to understand and share your faith with people today. It's training for a lifetime.

In Genesis 1 God creates the heavens and the earth. That's our living space. At the end of ch.1, He creates man and woman to inhabit this amazing home. Not only to live in it, but to enjoy and develop that living space. He made the world for us. He made us for Himself. Soon, Satan leads Adam and Eve to disobey God and at that moment, SIN entered into the world of mankind. Sin is a condition – a condition of alienation from God. This sin, this alienation, had immediate and devastating consequences for mankind. This alienation from God is the root from which all the troubles of our world spring. All the evils in our world are the result of alienation from God, our 'sin problem.' Our root problem is not poverty, not war, not crime, not education, not the deficit, or hate, or hunger, or immorality. All these are the offshoots of the sin problem. Our root problem is this rupture in our relationship with the God who loves us. Our root problem is sin. We are 'fallen' people. Now that's the bad news. But you have to understand the bad news so you can appreciate the good news. You'll never understand what God is up to until you understand the problem He's trying to solve. So, here comes the main plot of the whole Bible in the last half of Genesis 3. Right after their fall into sin, we read these key words: If there are 2 sentences in the Bible you should pay attention to, it's these 2. **And they (Adam and Eve) heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.** Then the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, **"Where are you?"** (Genesis 3:8-9) The first words God spoke after Adam and Eve chose to reject Him. "Where are you?" Words of searching for something lost. The entire plot of the Bible can be explained by this simple sentence: **God lost something . . . and He wants it back!** The whole Bible is about a search and rescue mission. Because of His great love for us, He wants to get US back into heaven with HIM. He was the first one to go out looking for lost souls. Right here, He initiated the whole idea of missions, of outreach. He's been doing missions ever since the fall of Adam and Eve. God's heart drives the whole search and rescue mission from here forward.

**WHY E.A.C.H.??? Because God was the first to go out searching for lost people.**

**WHY E.A.C.H.??? Because God made a Good News Promise (the "gospel") that He wants everyone to have a chance to hear.**

**WHY E.A.C.H.??? Because God made a great sacrifice to win us back to Himself.**

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