# It's a beautiful day in our neighborhood ... Won't you love thy neighbor?



The Christian Education Council excitedly welcomes you to the **2018–19** 

# Back to Sunday School Workshop

This year's workshop focus:

GENERATING PARENT AND FAMILY PARTICIPATION

## AGENDA

- 9:30am Registration/Coffee; Neighborhood Church activity
- 10:00am Welcome & Introductions; New Business
- 10:20am "Faith in our Homes" presentation
- 10:30am "Ideas to Get Parents Involved" presentation & discussion
- 11:00am First Day of Sunday School + Registering students
- 11:15am Wrap up; Questions; Thank you's

<b>Central CA Location:</b>	St. Paul Fresno	
	Saturday, August 18, 9:30-11:30am	
Southern CA Location:	St. Peter, Van Nuys	
	Sunday, August 19, 9:30-11:30am	
Northern CA Location:	St. John, San Francisco	
	Saturday, August 25, 9:30-11:30am	

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# 2018-19 Christian Education Council Board

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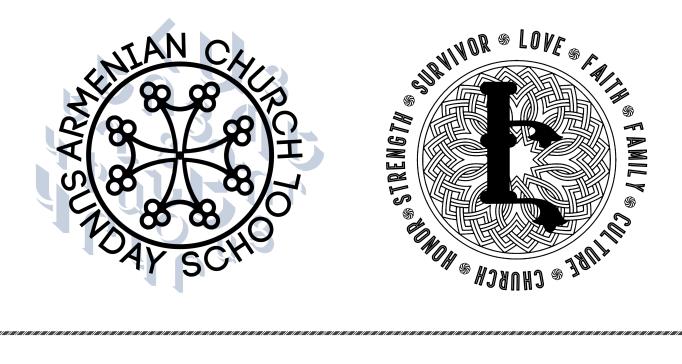
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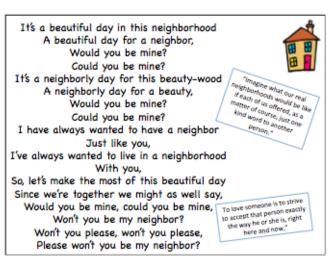
# WE NEED YOU! Join the CEC Board

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Please contact Fr. Krikor or Gail if you are interested in becoming part of the CEC.







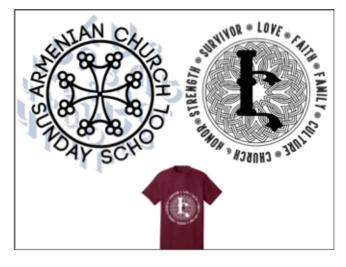
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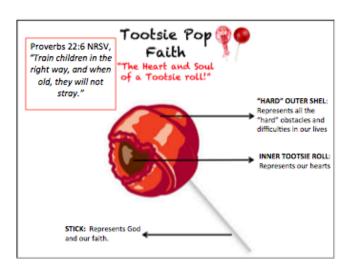
- 9:30 Refreshments & "Make Your Church" activity
- 10:00 Workshop Begins/Introductions
- 10:20 "Faith in our Homes" presentation
- 10:30 KEY TOPIC: Getting our Parents Involved
- 11:00 Registration & First Day of School
- 11:15 Wrap-up & What's Next
- 11:30 Closing

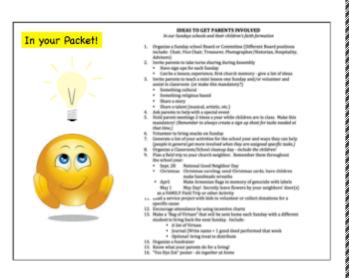












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#### WHAT'S NEXT TO DO:

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- First E-Blast of School year is coming! Be sure all your teachers are receiving it
- Sign up for your parish visitation by CEC members
- Join the CEC Board!

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Host Churches St. Paul Armenian Church, Fresno St. Peter, Van Nuys St. John, San Francisco

and all Participants

## **IDEAS TO GET PARENTS INVOLVED**

In our Sundays schools and their children's faith formation

- 1. Organize a Sunday school Board or Committee (Different Board positions include: Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Photographer/Historian, Hospitality, Advisors)
- 2. Invite parents to take turns sharing during Assembly
  - Have sign ups for each Sunday
  - Can be a lesson, experience, first church memory give a list of ideas
- 3. Invite parents to teach a mini lesson one Sunday and/or volunteer and assist in classroom (or make this mandatory?)
  - Something cultural
  - Something religious based
  - Share a story
  - Share a talent (musical, artistic, etc.)
- 4. Ask parents to help with a special event
- 5. Hold parent meetings 2 times a year while children are in class. Make this mandatory! (*Remember to always create a sign up sheet for tasks needed at that time.*)
- 6. Volunteer to bring snacks on Sunday
- 7. Generate a list of your activities for the school year and ways they can help (people in general get more involved when they are assigned specific tasks.)
- 8. Organize a Classroom/School cleanup day include the children!
- 9. Plan a field trip to your church neighbor. Remember them throughout the school year:
  - Sept. 28 National Good Neighbor Day
  - Christmas Christmas caroling; send Christmas cards; have children make handmade wreaths
  - April Make Armenian flags in memory of genocide with labels
  - May 1 May Day! Secretly leave flowers by your neighbors' door(s)
- 10. Plan a FAMILY Field Trip or other Activity
- 11. Lead a service project with kids to volunteer or collect donations for a specific cause
- 12. Encourage attendance by using incentive charts
- 13. Make a "Bag of Virtues" that will be sent home each Sunday with a different student to bring back the next Sunday. Include:
  - A list of Virtues
  - Journal (Write name + 1 good deed performed that week
  - Optional: bring treat to distribute
- 14. Organize a fundraiser
- 15. Know what your parents do for a living!
- 16. "Yes Hye Em" poster do together at home

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1. Board Member: Chair	Oversees Board meetings and school		
2. Board Member: Vice Chair	Shares duties and assists Chair		
3. Board Member: Treasurer	Responsible for finances for school		
4. Board Member: Photographer/Historian	Takes photos during school year		
5. Board Member: Hospitality	Responsible for socials		
6. Board Member: Advisor(s)	Provides input as needed		
7. Teacher(s)	Provides classroom instruction ( <i>part time</i> or full time)		
8. Teacher Assistant(s)	Assists teacher in/out of classroom		
9. Guest Speaker (Assembly)	Share a lesson/experience at assembly		
10. Guest Speaker (Classroom)	Share a lesson/experience in classroom		
11. Classroom School Supplies Chair	Takes inventory/purchases classroom supplies (reimbursed by school)		
12. Snack Coordinator	Coordinates snack schedule		
13. Registration Coordinator	Coordinates school registration; rosters		
14. Audio/Video Technician	Assists with technical support needed		
15. School Maintenance	Checks that classrooms are well maintained, helps with minor repairs		
16. Christmas Hantes Chair (or co-chairs)	Coordinates Armenian Christmas event		
17. Christmas Program Director	Directs the Armenian Christmas program		
18. Christmas Hantes costume organizer	Coordinates costumes to children		
19. Christmas Hantes decorations	Includes table centerpieces & room set up		
20. Christmas Hantes Luncheon Chair	Coordinates food		
21. Armenian Christmas Teacher gifts	Helps Board coordinate the purchase & wrapping of gifts		
22. Santa gifts for children	Helps Board coordinate the purchase & wrapping of gifts		
23. Easter Bake Sale Chair (or co-chairs)	Supervise the purchase of bake sale items, packaging, set up, etc.		
24. Culmination Program Chair (or co-chairs)	Coordinates Graduation Hantes		
25. Certificates	Personalizes certificates for each student		
26. Pins/Lanyards/Bibles	Orders promotional gifts for students		
27. Culmination Decorations	Includes table centerpieces & room set up		
28. Culmination Luncheon Chair (or co-chairs)	Coordinates food for culmination		
29. Culmination Teacher gifts	Coordinates staff gifts (reimbursed by school)		
30. Organize Classroom/School cleanup day			
31. Plan a family field trip or other activity			
32. Lead a Service/Charitable Project			
33. Organize a fundraiser			

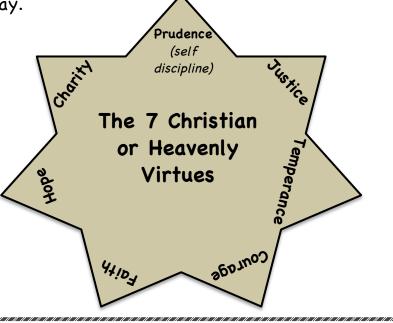
# Congratulations!

It is your turn to take home our **BAG OF VIRTUES** for the week. Here's what to do:

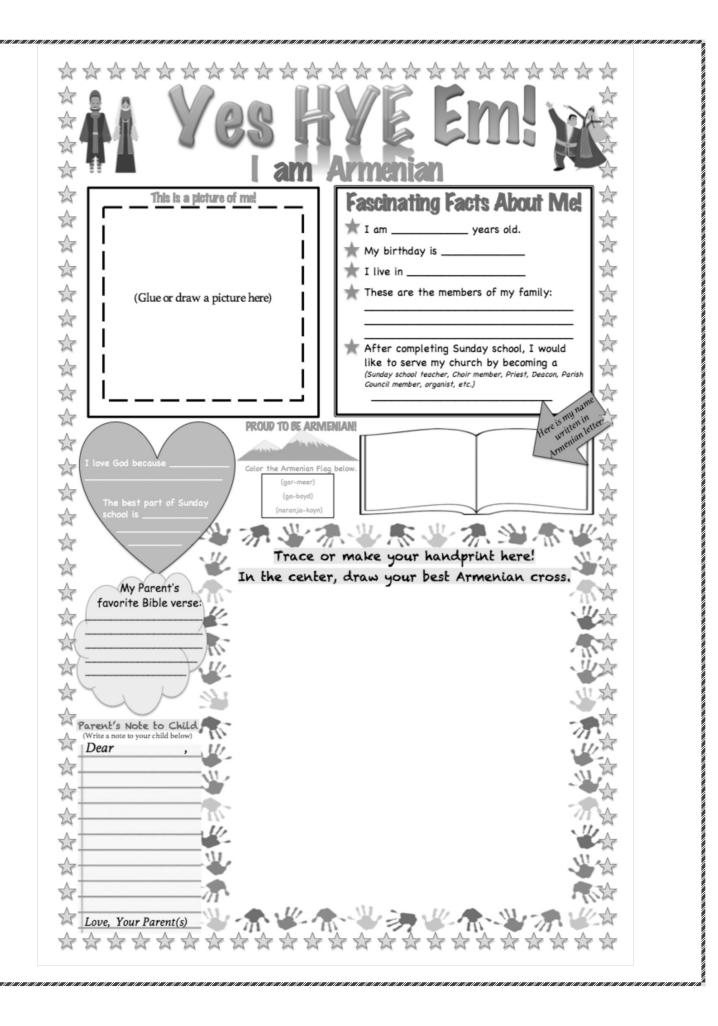
 LIST OF VIRTUES - Review this list at home together as a family. Try to practice as many virtues as you can this week.

#### Parent:

- a) Select 1 of the 7 virtues to focus on this week with your child. Discuss its meaning and give your child examples of how to practice it.
- b) Create an opportunity for your child to practice this (or another) virtue throughout the week.
- 2. JOURNAL Go to the first blank page of the journal.
  - Student will write:
    - Their name and date
    - $\circ$  1 (or more) good deed he/she performed this week.
  - Parent will write/explain:
    - The virtue their child practiced
    - The value of this experience for the child
- 3. **OPTIONAL** Add some treats to the bag that reflect your experience and distribute to classmates on Sunday.
- 4. **RETURN** Place everything back into the BAG OF VIRTUES and return with you to Sunday school next Sunday.









# **2018-19 Sunday School Calendar**Provided by the Western Diocese Christian Education Council



<u>August</u>

- 18 CEC Workshop (Central CA-St. Paul, Fresno)
- 19 CEC Workshop (Southern CA-St. Peter, Van Nuys)
- 25 CEC Workshop (Northern CA-St. John, San Francisco)

#### <u>September</u>

- 9 Registration & 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sunday school
- "Back to School" Meeting/Announcements
- 16 School in session
- 23 School in session
- 30 School in session

#### <u>October</u>

- 7 Children go into church for Communion Catechetical Sunday PHOTO DAY!
- 14 School in session
- 21 School in session
- 28 School in session

#### November

#### 4 - Children go into church for Communion

- Daylight Savings move clock **back** 1 hour
- 11 School in session
- 18 School in session
- **25 Thanksgiving Vacation NO SCHOOL**

#### December

- 2 Children go into church for Communion
- 9 School in session
- 16 School in session
- 23 School in session
- 30 School in session

#### <u>January</u>

#### 6 – Armenian Christmas

- 13 School in session
- 20 School in session
- 27 School in session

#### <u>February</u>

#### 3 -Children go into church for Communion

- 10 School in session
- 17 School in session
- 24 School in session

#### <u>March</u>

- **3 Children go into church for Communion** "POON PAREGENTAN"
- 10 SUNDAY OF EXPULSION School in session Daylight Savings – move clock **ahead** 1 hour
- 17 SUNDAY OF PRODIGAL SON School in session
- 24 STEWARD SUNDAY School in session
- 31 SUNDAY OF JUDGE School in session

#### <u>April</u>

- 7 ADVENT SUNDAY School in session
- 14 PALM SUNDAY School in session
- 16 Holy Maidens service
- 18 Maundy Thursday/Washing of Feet service
- 20 Holy Saturday
- 21 EASTER SUNDAY School in session
- 24 Armenian Genocide Memorial Day
- 28 School in session (New Sunday)

#### <u>May</u>

- **5** Children go into church for Communion (Green Sunday)
- 12 School in session Happy Mother's Day! (Red Sunday)
- 19 Last day of classes End of School Year Hantes and Luncheon

#### EVENTS STILL NEEDING TO BE ADDED:

- CEC Advent celebration (at Ararat Home)
- RECLAIM conference
- Lenten Workshop



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# Armenian Church Sunday School **REGISTRATION FORM**

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1.	Student's Name:				
	Age:Grade:Date of Birth:      Baptized in the Armenian Apostolic Church?      YESNO				
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	Medical conditions/allergies/learning difficulties/physical limitations/other concerns:				
	Please advise:				
2. Student's Name:					
	Age:Grade: Date of Birth:				
	Baptized in the Armenian Apostolic Church? YES NO				
	Medical conditions/allergies/learning difficulties/physical limitations/other concerns:				
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з	Student's Name:				
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	Age:      Grade:      Date of Birth:         Baptized in the Armenian Apostolic Church?       YES      NO				
	Medical conditions/allergies/learning difficulties/physical limitations/other concerns:				
	Please advise:				
	Parents' Names:				
	Mother: Father:				
	Cell Phone: Cell Phone:				
	Home Phone: Address: City: Zip:				
	Primary Email Address: Additional Email:				
Are you a dues paying member of our church: YES NO					
	Special Concerns:				
	Please list and explain any concerns regarding: allergies; dietary or physical restrictions; medical,				
behavioral, or emotional concerns; learning disorder or anything special that we should l					
	of (the information that you provide will assist us in meeting your child's needs in the classroo				
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	mmunization:				
	f your child has NOT been fully immunized, please acknowledge the following statement:				
	I understand and accept the risks to my child from not being fully immunized.				
Please initial					
	Emergency Information:				
	In the event of an emergency and you cannot be reached, please give the name and number of				
	someone we can contact:				
	Name: Phone#: Relationship:				
	In the event of an emergency that requires immediate action, I authorize Sunday school personnel				
	to take whatever steps necessary to protect the health of my child(ren).				
	YES NO				

Due to liability issues, while your child is in our Sunday school, you must remain on church premises until school is finished. **Please initial**\_\_\_\_\_

**Tuition:** Sunday school classes do not require a fee, however we welcome donations to offset the cost of purchasing supplies and curriculum for our students. Thank you in advance for your kind contribution!

*GET Involved!* Parental involvement is vital to the success of our school. Please indicate **one or more** areas you are interested in assisting with:

Snacks	Special Events
Projects	Luncheons
Supervision	Maintenance work

\_\_Curriculum/Classroom
\_\_Playground
\_\_Fundraising

Other (Please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

*What do you do?* We are always looking for assistance and donations of any kind. Please list any services and/or items that you have easy access to and may be willing to donate at some time to our church school:

#### Armenian Church Sunday school Language and Culture

Primary Language spoken in the home

Please tell us about your student's Armenian language skills: (Fluent, Limited, None)

Student's Name	ABC's?	Read?	Write?
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#### **IMAGE RELEASE CONSENT**

As part of our Armenian Church Sunday school Program, photographs and videos of students, as they participate in the classroom and other Sunday school activities, may be taken throughout the school year. Photos may be used only for the purpose of promoting our church school program in publications such as our weekly church bulletins, church website, social media, and/or film. Photos of your child will only be used with your consent. In any of these images names and other personal information will **NOT** be identified, unless first discussed with the parent.

I have read the above description and give my consent for the use of the images as indicated.

\_\_\_\_\_ I DO NOT give my consent for the use of images as indicated above.

It is the responsibility of the parent to keep all Sunday School Registration information current.

Parent Signature

Parent Name (Printed)

Date

Parent Signature

Parent Name (Printed)

Date

### **DIRECTIONS:**

- I. INSIDE the WINDOWS: Write the names of all your family members
- 2. INSIDE the DOOR:
  - In the top box, write your LAST NAME.
  - Underneath the box, draw a cross
- 3. Decorate/color as you wish.
- 4. Cut out along the dotted lines.
- 5. Return to Sunday school next week!



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