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A Message from Father George Alexson

My beloved Parishioners and Friends,
The annual Clergy-Laity Assembly for the Metropolis of New Jersey was hosted this year from May 12-14th, in Garfield, N.J. I had the opportunity to attend with three of our Parish Council members: Gregory Joiner (PC President), Nicholas Spyros and Constantine Sofologis. It was a welcome chance for us to participate in the work of our Metropolis, and engage in lively discussions concerning the challenges and opportunities facing our parishes. Indeed, we were delighted that many of our brothers and sisters had already heard the news of our imminent land acquisition, and plans for building a church. Needless to say, we were eager to share more details with them.

An integral part of the Assembly is its workshops, where participants have the opportunity to learn, share and discuss views on a variety of topics. This year, I participated in the Religious Education workshop. Greg attended the workshop on Youth, while Nick and Con participated in the discussions on Finance. On our return home we had much thought-provoking information to share and discuss. Here, I would like to offer one of the persistent concerns covered at my workshop: "Can today's parents help the Greek Orthodox Church to survive and thrive in today's American Western secular society?"

The key words in this question are: secular, survive and thrive. It is no secret that we are, and have been for decades, living in a "post-Christian" nation. Nowhere is that more evident than in the weekly struggle faced by parents of faith, who must ask themselves, "do I take my child to church this Sunday morning or, to the game?" It is a decision my parents never had to make. But America was a different place then, and opposition to keeping the Lord's day holy was unimaginable. In those days, Sunday was for worshipping God, rest, and enjoying one's family. Knowing that we will never return to the "old ways," what can parents do to nurture their children's faith, even when they feel compelled to let them exchange Liturgy for sports? I was fascinated by some of the comments made by members of our group. Indeed, I was impressed by the extent to which many of our Sunday School teachers agonize over this problem. I know that many of our parents are faced by this dilemma. I have prayed about it since coming home from the workshop and, I offer these thoughts.

In his Epistle to the Romans (16:5), St. Paul writes about "the church in the home." For us, *church in the home* could mean parents and children praying together,



studying Holy Scripture and, completing Sunday School lessons together. What better way to help the church survive and thrive in the hostile environment of our secular society?

If parents do not emphasize the need for spiritual growth within the context of the home and, make an effort to nurture their children in the Faith, how can we expect our children to learn the importance of a meaningful relationship with Christ? Out of the fifty-two Sundays in the year, Sunday School meets on less than forty (approximately), for thirty to forty-five minutes. How much can our children learn about the Faith under these circumstances? Or, put another way, would you expect your child to pass the SAT's if this were all the education he was getting on a weekly basis?

The Church can plant the seeds, but our parents must help water them. We read in Proverbs (22:6), "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Training is a dual responsibility shared by Church and home. If either fail, the demon of secularization will continue to devour us and, faithful witness to Christ will diminish as time goes by. The theme for this year's Assembly was taken from the Gospel of St. John (3:16-17) "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved."

Let us pray, beloved faithful, that believing and trusting in Him, we and future generations of faithful Orthodox Christians will be saved, because we did not fail in our duty to love and to witness to Him, even under the most trying circumstances. May His grace, love and mercy be with us always!

Fr. George A. Alexson
Presiding Priest

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Highlights:

-  Graduations: Sunday School, June 9; Greek School, June 16
-  Vacation Church Camp, June 17-21
-  His Eminence Metropolitan Evangelos celebrates with our parish, June 29/30





Metropolis of New Jersey

Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church



Message from the Parish Council President

Christos Anesti!

This month's issue of To Fos comes at an exciting time for our parish. Soon we will take ownership of a beautiful parcel of land just off Claiborne Parkway, near the Belmont Country Club. Purchasing this land represents the culmination of years of hard work by our parish and I am very thankful to everyone for their hard work and dedication to make it happen. With the land acquisition complete, it means that we now move into Phase II of our Capital Campaign: the fundraising, design, and construction of our initial church building.

In that vein, I wanted to thank the families who came to our two Founder's Meetings. You asked many great questions and shared awesome ideas on what you'd like to see in our future home. We will be meeting with our architect in June to share your feedback and start to tweak the designs that were presented at the General Assembly Meeting. Our plan is to iterate with him and all of you throughout the summer, with a goal of submitting a site plan that we are all happy with to the county in the fall. For those of you who were unable to make the Founder's Meetings, please reach out to any Parish Council member, either in person or via e mail, to share your thoughts and ask any questions you may have.

We are also finalizing plans for His Eminence's visit the weekend of June 29th and 30th. Please keep an eye out for updates as the date grows closer. I look forward to seeing you all at both of these exciting events!

However, finalizing the land is just one of many great things our parish accomplished during the past few months. Our ministries continued to hold fun and engaging activities which enriched the lives of our parishioners and benefited our communities.

Weekday Liturgical Schedule for June and July, 2019

June 6 Ascension of Our Lord	Orthros, 8:15 AM. Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM
June 15 Saturday of Souls	Orthros, 8:15 AM. Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM
June 29 Sts. Peter and Paul	Orthros, 8:15 AM. Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM
July 27 St. Panteleimon	Orthros, 8:15 AM. Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

Oratorical Festival, culminating with Paris Economou and Athena Lansdell's participation in the Metropolis Oratorical Festival. I'd like to congratulate all of our participants for a job well done!

Finally, I'd like to thank The Blair family for hosting over 100 friends at their annual Pascha Picnic. A great time was had by all as we enjoyed friends, food, and fellowship, while celebrating His Glorious Resurrection.

Wishing you a wonderful summer,

Greg Joiner
Parish Council President
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Stewardship

Christos Anesti! Alithos Anesti!

Greetings from the Stewardship Committee. I hope you had a blessed Pascha. We are closing soon on the Loudoun County property that is the site of our future church home. We are very excited about this news and hope that you plan to be a part of the future of the church. Now more than ever, it is important to show your Stewardship with your time, your talent and your treasure. Please commit to giving your time and talent by volunteering on one of the many ministries we currently have. We also could use your help in fundraising efforts and community outreach.

Please also show your commitment by filling out a 2019 Stewardship Pledge card! We need a healthy financial bottom line to move forward. Every pledge matters. You can find Stewardship Pledge cards on our website, on the Stewardship board at church (it is black and yellow!) and in several Stewardship boxes on the wall at church.

Here is a list of our current pledged stewards for 2019 — if you don't see your name on the list and think it should be, please reach out to Ron Baldinger, the Stewardship Chair. Fill out your Pledge card today!!

Thank you,

Ron Baldinger
Stewardship Chair
Mina Baldinger
Co-Chair



Circle areas of expertise or interest:

Youth Groups and Classes

Hope & Joy
GOYA
Greek Dance Instruction
Greek School
Sunday School

Groups and Ministries

AHEPA
Altar Service
Choir
Ladies Philoptochos
Orthodox Book Club
PAREA lunch group
Parish Newsletter
Social Events
Stewardship Committee
Visiting Elderly

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In faith, prayer and sacrifice, my family and I wish to share in the support and work of the Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church. We would like to pledge the amount of

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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

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Pledge List as of May 3, 2019.

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Ayoub John and Kristina	Lelis Nikoleta
Bakopanos Vasilios	Lisciandro John and Christy
Baldinger Ronald and Mina	Malachias Zachary and Paula
Batistatos-Martnishn Steve and Ergini	Maoury Angelike
Blair Robert and Marina	Margaros and Kiki Georges Pete
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Chelpon Deacon Harry and Maria	Morris Olivia and James
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Copenhaver Blake and Paras	Pappas Maria
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Funk Gary and Lillian	Rallis Rebecca
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Kesari Dimitri and Jolanda	Zangos Maria
Korulaki Mariana	Zangos Nicholas and Carol

If you do not see your name on this list and are a stewardship contributor, please fill out the pledge card in this newsletter or contact the Stewardship Chair, Ron Baldinger: ron.baldinger@gmail.com.



HAVE YOU HEARD?

- We have raised over \$1.4 million!
- The land was appraised at \$3.3 million (our purchase price is \$2.25 million)!
- We received formal confirmation from Loudoun County that our plans to build a church are approved by right!

Don't delay, donate today! Together we can do this!

GIVE TODAY

Donate



<https://www.holyapostlesgreekorthodox.org/capitalcampaign>



2019 Holy Apostles Vacation Church Camp

Date: Monday, June 17 – Friday June 21, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Location: Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church, 21580 Atlantic Blvd, Bldg D, Unit 160, Dulles, VA 20166

Cost: \$45 for 1 child, \$85 for 2 children, \$115 for 3 children, \$140 for 4 children (prices are for siblings only)

***Cost includes a camp t-shirt. Please put your child's size in the table below. (youth S, M, L, XL or adult S, M, L, XL)**

Ages: 4 – 15

Theme: FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

Registration Deadline: June 2, 2019

Limited to the first 40 students.

Parent Name _____

Home Address _____

Best Phone Number for Parent: _____

Email address _____

Emergency Contact Name _____

Emergency Contact Phone _____

Child's Name	Birth date	Fall 2019 Grade	T-shirt size	Medical Condition? Allergies?

WAIVER: I hereby give my child/children listed above permission to take part in all Vacation Church Camp activities. I hereby release the church and all supervisors of liability in the event of an accident on/near the premises of Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church.

I give the Vacation Church Camp adult staff permission to administer first aid, should medical attention be required and for staff to seek further qualified medical assistance if necessary until I can be contacted. Any underlying medication condition we need to be aware of and allergies to medication, insects, food, should be listed above.

I grant the Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church permission to use my child/children's likeness in a photograph, video, or other digital media in publications including web based without payment or other consideration.

Parent Signature

Date

We welcome parent participation in our Vacation Church Camp and encourage you to help with our projects or to take pictures of our daily activities for our bulletin board and website.

RETURN THIS FORM to Denise - deniseinvirginia@gmail.com
OR AT CHURCH. (checks payable to HAGOC– in memo please put VCC)



The Graduate News



Graduate: Anna Baldinger

Parent: Ron and Mina Baldinger

Graduating School: James Madison University, Bachelor Science of Nursing

Post-Grad Plans: Work at Washington MedStar Hospital Center in the ER

Graduate: Billy Baldinger

Parent: Ron and Mina Baldinger

Graduating School: Hayfield Secondary High School

Post-Grad Plans: United States Air Force Academy

Graduate: Alexandra Dorn

Parents: David and Susan Dorn

Alexandra Dorn is an Honors College Scholar at East Carolina University and was admitted to the nationally ranked ECU College of Nursing in April 2019.

Graduate: Sofia Adams

Parent: Tatyana Adams

Graduating School: Tuscarora High School, Leesburg VA

Post-Grad Plans: Hollins University is a private university in Hollins, Virginia. Founded in 1842 as Valley Union Seminary in the historical settlement of Botetourt Springs, it is one of the oldest institutions of higher education for women in the United States.



Graduate: Luke Kendrat

Parents: Bill and Kathy Kendrat

Graduating School: Loudoun County High School

Post-Grad Plans: University of Mary Washington on a STEM scholarship in biological science and as a decathlete for the UMW track and field team

Graduate: Constantino "Costa" Dimitriou

Parents: Ari and Anna Dimitriou

Graduating School: Briar Woods High School

Post-Grad Plans: Christopher Newport University

Graduate: Alexandros Kouroukidis

Parents: Sofia and Nikolaos Kouroukidis

Graduating School: Rock Ridge High School

Post-Grad Plans: Study Computer Science

Graduate: Noah Burke

Parents: Chad and Julie Burke

Graduating School: Freedom High School

Post-Grad Plans: American University

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams!" E. Roosevelt



GOYA

Xristos Anesti! Christ is Risen! I hope you all had a wonderful Easter.

Our GOYAnS were blessed to have a Lenten discussion with Father George at the beginning of April. During the discussion Father talked about the importance of preparing for Lent and ways for teenagers to do that including confession.

The GOYAnS also participated in the Salutations to the Theotokos service and presented roses. We thank Christina Kendrat and Andreas Voyages for doing the readings.

In May, the GOYAnS met to discuss the end of the year pool party on Sunday, June 2, and nominations for the 2019-2020 GOYA Board.

We wish our GOYA Vice President, Noah Burke, all the best as he graduates from Freedom High School in June and goes on to American University.

We also hope all GOYAnS and their families have a great summer!

In God's service,
Lia Economou
GOYA Advisor

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Greek School Program

JOIN OUR OUTSTANDING GREEK LANGUAGE PROGRAM for a great learning experience!

In addition to our weekly two hour session, every Wednesday, during which we offer classes for K to 10th grades, we offer the Ellinomatheia program, every Sunday at 2:00Pm.

In January we also started two new classes:

Learning Greek with Theater (various ages)

Every other Sunday (2:00 – 3:45PM)

The objective is to simply learn the language with a communicative approach. Students learn by action. With the help of the teachers the students will work on a theater project which will be presented to the public at the end of the school year.

Greek Language Workshops

Express Greek**

Weekend Workshops throughout the year for adults and high schoolers. (Each work shop lasts 3-5 hours and includes variety of authentic materials**. The focus is on the composition of phrases and conversation –Students may choose to attend as many workshops as they wish) Minimum participation 5 students per workshop.

****Dates/time to be arranged between teachers and interested students.**

For Further details please contact:

- Ergini Martnishn: (All programs)

ergini@aol.com, 703-652-4426



Hope and Joy

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ:

Hope & Joy enjoyed a special activity during the great Lenten season this year: Instead of gathering for March and April meetings, we gathered as a ministry to attend one of the salutations services. We even processed together into the church at the beginning of the service to present flowers to the icon of the Theotokos. It was a lovely and meaningful service to be part of.

In May, we held a regular monthly meeting at church on May 6th. We created a trail mix snack inspired by the creation story. Here's how it worked:

- Since on the first day, God created the light and the dark, the first ingredient in the snack was Oreo cookies.
- On the second day, God separated the water on the top from the water on the bottom to create sky and ground, and so we added Frosted Mini Wheats cereal to our snack.
- On the third day, God made the green grass, the trees, and the flowers (*green and red M&M's, as well as stick pretzels*). God also made the fruit and the berries (*raisins and blue M&M's*).
- On the fourth day came the sun and the moon and the stars (*orange and yellow M&M's candies*).
- On the fifth day came birds and fish (*Goldfish crackers*).
- On the sixth day, God made man and woman as well as the animals that walk on the ground (*animal crackers*).
- Finally God rested on the seventh day (*marshmallow "pillows"*), blessing and making it holy.

The final Hope & Joy meeting before summer break takes place June 3rd. As the end of the school year approaches, I want to take this opportunity to thank the Hope & Joy families for all the great memories made across 2018-2019 having fun, making friends, and exploring the faith.

In Him,
Ashley Joiner
Director, Hope & Joy
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St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival, State and Diocese Level Results

Congratulations to our Holy Apostles Sunday School students who represented our parish at the 2019 St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival state and Diocese level competitions! At the state level competition at Sts. Constantine and Helen in Newport News, VA, Emmanuel Koutsourais won 3rd and Stephen Economou received Honorable Mention in the Junior Division. In the Senior Division, Paris Economou won 1st and Athena Lansdell 2nd. Both Paris and Athena qualified for and went on to compete at the Diocese level competition which was at St. George in Hamilton, NJ on May 4. Both were awarded Honorable Mention.

Thank you to the students for all their hard work and great representation of our church in this national competition! Thank you also to their parents for their support. A special thank you to our Sunday School Director, Ergini Martnishn, for organizing our Oratorical Festival again this year and our Oratorical Festival Chairman, Yianni Margetis, who dedicated many hours for preparing our orators and for coordinating the program.

Now in its 36th year, the St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival is an annual speech competition for Greek Orthodox youth grades 7-12 which starts at the parish level and progresses to the state, Diocese, and final national level. This national competition provides Greek Orthodox teenagers the opportunity to write and talk about their faith from topics selected by the Archdiocese.



(L-R) Athena Lansdell and Paris Economou



Athena Lansdell speaking about the importance of being biblically literate at the Diocese level competition



State level Oratorical Festival competition held on April 13, 2019 at Sts. Constantine and Helen in Newport News, VA



(L-R) Emmanuel Koutsourais, Stephen Economou, Athena Lansdell, and Paris Economou at the state level competition



Diocese level Oratorical Festival competition held on May 4, 2019 at St. George in Hamilton, NJ



Paris Economou speaking about science and technology at the service of humanity and God at the Diocese level competition



Philoptochos

Christos Anesti!

March, April and May gave our Philoptochos plenty of opportunities to support and help our church community and our Loudoun County community.

We donated over 3 boxes of children's undergarments and socks to Mobile Hope. We collected over 200 pounds of cereal to help those with food needs at Loudoun Hunger Relief. May was our annual LAWS (Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter) gift card drive. Thank you so very much for helping us reach those in need in our Loudoun community.

We have an opportunity, through our participation in the Philoptochos ministry to return to God a portion of our time, talents and resources with which he has gifted us. Thank you to all our members and new ones as well! I appreciate each and every one of you!

As we make our way through the summer, I hope that you have time to rest and enjoy the summer months with your family and your church family.

With my deepest gratitude,

Alexis Cleveland

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AHEPA

THE AHEPA STORY

AHEPA was founded on July 26, 1922 in response to the evils of bigotry and racism that emerged in early 20th century American society. It also helped Greek immigrants assimilate into society. Today, AHEPA brings the ideals of ancient Greece, which includes philanthropy, education, civic responsibility, and family and individual excellence to the community. Although a majority of the membership is composed of Americans of Greek descent, application for membership is open to anyone who believes in the mission of the organization.

OUR CHAPTER

Founded in 2013, the ΜΟΛΩΝ ΑΒΕ Chapter, located in Sterling, VA, in the Washington DC metro area, is one of the fastest growing Chapters in the United States. With a membership ranging in age from the early 20's to the 90's, the Chapter serves over 50 members. Our name is an ancient Greek phrase that dates back to the year 480 BC, at the Battle of Thermopylae. This epic battle took place between a few thousand Greek soldiers and thousands and thousands of invading forces, who greatly outnumbered the Greeks. The leader of the invading force, in an effort to coerce the Greeks into surrender, encouraged King Leonidas, the leader of the 300 Spartans, to surrender and give up their weapons. Leonidas' response? Molon Lave, which translated to Come and Get Them. According to historians, the result of that battle has helped to shape western civilization into what it is today. Molon Lave is a phrase that has inspired throughout the centuries a sense of dignity and pride, and a unique perception of life. Coming from many backgrounds devoted to giving back to the community through many initiatives, we work very closely with the Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church with most of the Brothers are also church members. The Chapter also holds monthly meetings, social events, and drives community outreach programs. Thank you very much for visiting us as we look forward to seeing our Chapter continue to grow and further expand its local support efforts.

JOIN TODAY

From its inception AHEPA has been an integral part of the Greek Orthodox Christian community in America. Working hand in hand, AHEPA Chapters throughout the country have made significant contributions to build, remodel, and enhance churches by raising millions of dollars. In fact, the organization is a key component of the efforts to build the St. Nicholas National Shrine at the World Trade Center in New York City, with almost every Chapter, including ours, participating. From community dinners, picnics, social events, and more, AHEPA Chapters are part of the fabric of many parish communities, including ours giving to many Holy Apostles ministries, Capital Campaign, and more.



JOIN THE MOVEMENT



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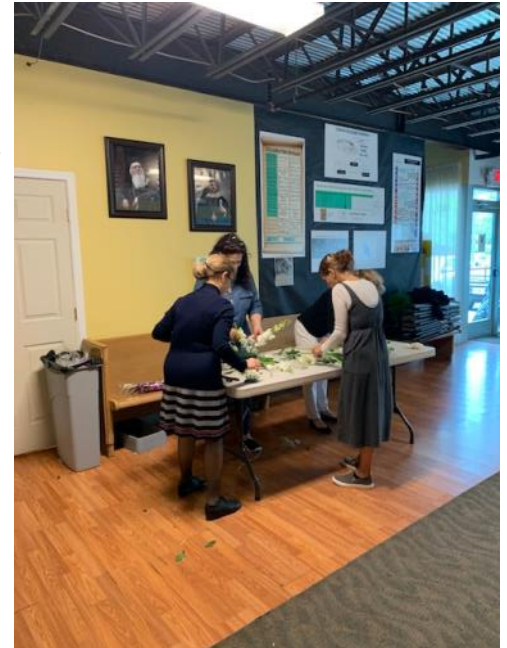


Epitaphio/Altar Fund

The **Epitaphio/Altar Fund Committee** would like to thank wholeheartedly all of our Parishioners for their generous donations and also their contributions of paper goods and supplies! Your support made it possible for our Church to be adorned with lovely fresh flowers during the Lenten season, as well our Epitaphio. All the donations collected will help the **Altar Fund Committee** purchase ecclesiastical items that our Church needs and also contribute to the **Building Fund**. We appreciate everyone that dedicated their time to help with the **Annual Spring Cleaning** as well as participating in the floral decoration of the **Epitaphio on Holy Friday**.

A special thank you to all the ladies of the **Epitaphio Committee** (Presvytera Joanna, Mariana Korulaki, Irene Thomas, Athanasia Dacey, Sophia Ortiz, Kathy Sparkman, Ekaterini Utley, Asha Ioanou) for their hard work and dedication, making this Easter truly memorable. We would also like to extend our gratitude and appreciation to all the **Committees** and thank them for their participation in the **Salutations** services with their prayers and floral offerings to the Virgin Mary. Our beautiful **Flower Girls** graced once again our Church on Holy Friday evening and we thank each one of them for being a part of this special tradition.

Lastly, we would also like to thank all the ladies that help every year color the Easter eggs for our Church. God Bless you! Xristos Anesti!



Epitaphio/Altar Fund cont...



Thank You!

Christ is Risen!

Over 100 friends (children included) joined the Blair Family at their home for the 5th Annual Easter Sunday Potluck celebration! The open house started around 11:30am and lasted late into the night! We all enjoyed a 33 lb lamb on the spit and a huge assortment of wonderful food prepared by everyone! The children enjoyed a great Easter egg Hunt. Thank you to all who came and spent the day with us! A special thank you to our Diakonisa Maria Chelpon for donating the wonderful Crosses the children found in their Easter eggs. We thank our Lord for allowing us to celebrate His glorious Resurrection with fine weather and beautiful fellowship. May He bless us with many more future gatherings in His Name.

Marina Blair





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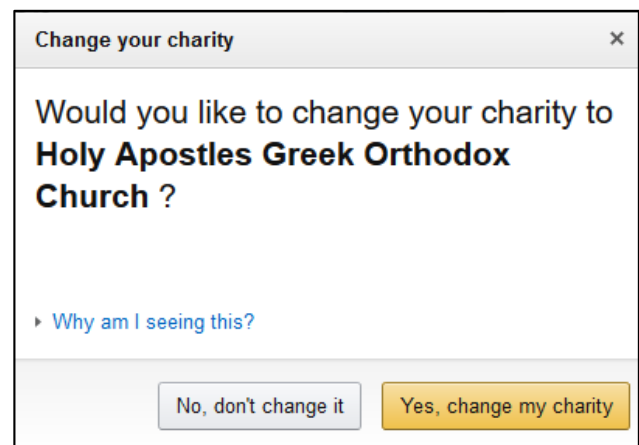
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