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# KFEIRIAN BROTHERHOOD REUNION

SEPTEMBER 1, 2 and 3, 1973

BECKLEY, WEST VIRGINIA

**We of the Beckley Kfeirian Reunion  
Committee dedicate this book to the  
FOUNDERS  
of the Kfeirian Reunion Brotherhood**



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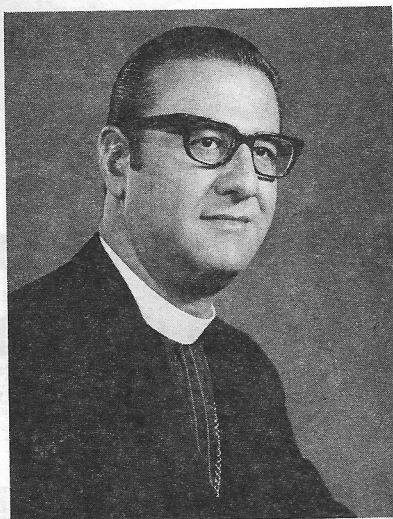
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"... the Disciples were called Christians first in Antioch!"

ACTS 11:26



To All My Kfeirian Friends,

On the occasion of your Forty-first Reunion, I humbly beseech the Almighty God to grant you happiness, peace and prosperity. I hope and pray that many people will emulate your fine example in devotion and dedication to charity and the brotherhood of man.

Congratulations on your Forty-first Reunion and may the eternal God crown all your efforts with success.

Your friend,

Metropolitan PHILIP  
Archbishop  
Antiochian Orthodox Christian  
Archdiocese of New York and  
all North America.



**Louis Rahall, Chairman**

We of the Beckley Kfeirian Reunion Committee take great pleasure in welcoming you to this our 41st Annual Kfeirian Reunion.

We look back to our early Reunions with love and gratitude for our founders who saw a dream come true in perpetuating the relationship among all Kfeirians. Our Reunions, scholarships and benevolent activities stand as a tribute to our founders. Let us be ever mindful of the beautiful heritage given to us and to endeavor in every way to further the goals of our foundation.

It has been our pleasure to plan and prepare this our 41st Reunion, We must sincerely pray that you will enjoy your stay here in Beckley.

Give thanks to God for his many blessings and may He bless you in all your activities.

Beckley Kfeirian Reunion Committee  
Louis A. Rahall, Chairman  
Robert Ramieh, Co-chairman  
Mrs. Helen Ramey, Secretary  
Fred Michael, Treasurer

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ORTHODOX CHURCH  
Beckley, West Virginia**



**WELCOMES**

**All The Kfeirians And The Kfeirians Friends  
To The 41st. Annual Kfeirian Reunion**

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Behold, How Good and Pleasant It Is  
When Brothers Dwell In Unity!  
It Is Like The Precious Oil Upon The Head,  
Running Down Upon The Beard,  
Upon The Beard Of Aaron,  
Running Down On The Collar Of His Robes!  
It Is Like The Dew Of Hermon,  
Which Falls On The Mountains Of Zion!  
For There The Lord Has Commanded The Blessing,  
Life For Evermore. (Psalms:133)

May the bond of love and the armour of righteousness be  
your guiding staff and protecting shield, and may your undi-  
vided unity ever triumph with glory and exaltation.

Your Devoted Friend  
Very Rev. Zacharia Nasr, Pastor



I certainly look forward to getting together with all of you at the Forty-First Kfeirian Reunion in Beckley later this summer.

The Reunion performs a valuable function in bringing us all together, even if it is only for a short while. In this rushing, changing world, it is important to pause and reflect on the common heritage and traditions which tie us together. The Reunion and its book serve as a constant reminder to me of that heritage.

I send my very best wishes for a successful time.

Warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,  


James Abourezk  
United States Senate



*IN MEMORY OF*

**Mr. Abraham Joseph Bassett**

Mr. Abraham Joseph Bassett was the originator of the idea of an annual Kfeirian reunion. After twelve years effort, of talking with his relatives and friends of the idea of a reunion, it finally became a reality.

WIFE—Rahija Saad Bassett

CHILDREN—Gladys S. Parlette, Selma M. Edinger,  
Wadad Bofysil, Alice T. Rutherford, Lorraine R.  
Scott, Abraham Joseph Bassett, Jr.