A fellowship of churches united with other Armenian Evangelical Unions around the world.

Our congregations, pastors, and organizations join in worship, ministry, mission, and service in the name of Jesus Christ.
Our history began with learning and sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ.

On July 1, 1846, 37 men and 3 women signed a statement of faith and established the Armenian Evangelical Church in Pera, Constantinople. These Armenians took on a mission: to renew the spiritual life of their nation. They embraced education at all levels for women and men. They established schools and seminaries, planted churches, and worked to improve their communities.

Growing quickly through the 19th century to include almost 50,000 people, the movement organized geographically, first in the Ottoman empire, then at the turn of the century in the United States. The Armenian Evangelical Union of Eastern States was founded in 1901 and the Armenian Evangelical Union of California in 1908.

The Armenian Genocide begun in 1915 by the Turks destroyed almost everything built in the former Ottoman empire and left a remnant struggling to survive.

The Armenian Evangelical Union of Eastern States gathered in 1917 to organize a humanitarian and spiritual aid effort. The following year, at Armenian Church of the Martyrs, the union established the Armenian Missionary Association of America (AMAA). The Armenian Evangelical Union of California quickly joined the effort. The AMAA became their mission arm, and helped re-establish Armenian Evangelical communities and churches in the Near East.

In 1971, the two U.S. unions merged to become the Armenian Evangelical Union of North America, a vibrant fellowship of churches that comes together in fellowship at least every two years. Armenian Evangelicals cherish their faith and devote themselves to serving their people in the name of Jesus Christ. The 33 churches of the AEUNA are a strong fellowship, united in purpose, vision, ministry, and mission.
• Eastern Region – annual fall retreat, week-long summer camp, and special programs bring church youth together – Mrs. Sylvia Jizmejian, Eastern Region Minister.

Camp AREV

Armenian American youth 3rd grade through College+Career attend Summer and Winter away camps at the AEUNA mountain retreat in Frazier Park, CA. Camp AREV programs introduce young people to the gospel of Jesus Christ and help them grow spiritually.

• Western Region – sport competitions, weekend retreats, Camp AREV-based programs, and ministry opportunities for young people – Rev. Kevin Kasper, Advisor.

Camp Arevelk

Ministering to Eastern region youth, Camp Arevelk is a one-week summer program of fellowship, Bible study, worship, sports and activities, Armenian heritage, and more. The camp is planned and organized by volunteers throughout the Eastern region.

Charlotte & Elise Merdinian
Armenian Evangelical School

K-8th grade accredited school in the Sherman Oaks neighborhood of Los Angeles, CA, that instills the Armenian culture, creates fellowship, and values the Bible as well as academic achievement.
Armenian Evangelical Churches

Western Region

Downey, CA
Immanuel Armenian Congregational Church (1930)
Rev. George (Kevork) Terian

Fresno, CA
First Armenian Presbyterian Church (1897)
Rev. Greg Haroutunian

Pilgrim Armenian Congregational Church (1901)
Rev. Nerses Balabanian

Glendale, CA
Armenian Church of the Nazarene (1979)
Rev. Hrag Karagoezian

Armenian Evangelical Brethren Church (1925)
Rev. Dikran Shanlian

Christian Outreach for Armenians Church (1991)
Rev. Daniel Albarian

Holy Trinity Armenian Evangelical Church (2007)

Huntington Beach, CA
Armenian Christian Fellowship of Orange County (1993)
Rev. Shant Abadjian

La Crescenta, CA
Christ Armenian Church (1987)
Rev. Saro Khachikian

Los Angeles, CA
Armenian Evangelical Church of Hollywood (1982)
Rev. Abraham Chaparian

Montebello, CA
Saint Nareg Armenian Church (1981)
Pastor Joseph Garabedian

North Hollywood, CA
Holy Trinity Armenian Church (2002)
Rev. Dr. Ara Chakerian

Pasadena, CA
Armenian Cilicia Evangelical Church (1922)
Rev. Serop Megerditchian

Salt Lake City, UT
Ararat Evangelical Church (1997)
Pastor Gevork Paronyan
San Francisco, CA  
Calvary Armenian Congregational Church (1926)  
Rev. Calvin Sagherian

Eastern Region

Belmont, MA  
First Armenian Church (1892)  
Pastor Dikran Youmshakian

Chicago, IL  
Armenian Evangelical Church (1936)  
Rev. Jeremy Tovmassian

Cranston, RI  
Armenian Evangelical Church (1892)  
Rev. Dr. Ara Heghinian

Detroit, MI  
Armenian Congregational Church (1916)  
Pastor Hagop Haroutunian

Havertown, PA  
Armenian Martyrs' Congregational Church (1907)

New York, NY  
Armenian Evangelical Church (1896)  
Rev. Haig Kherlopian

Paramus, NJ  
Armenian Presbyterian Church (1898)  
Rev. Joseph Garabedian

Salem, NH  
Ararat Armenian Congregational Church (1912)  
Pastor Janely Pierre

Watertown, MA  
Armenian Memorial Church (1905)  
Rev. Dr. Avedis Boynerian

Worcester, MA  
Armenian Church of the Martyrs (1892)  
Rev. Stephen Carlyle

Canada

Cambridge, Ontario  
Armenian Evangelical Church (1979)

Montreal, Quebec  
Armenian Evangelical Church of Montreal (1964)  
First Armenian Evangelical Church (1960)  
Rev. Georges Dabbo

Toronto, Ontario  
Armenian Evangelical Church 1960

South America

Buenos Aires, Argentina  
Iglesia Evangelical Congregacional Armenia “Santisima Trinidad” (1929)  
Rev. Jorge Soncini

Montevideo, Uruguay  
Primera Iglesia Evangelica Armenia del Uruguay (1924)  
Rev. Dr. Obed Boyadjian

Sao Paulo, Brazil  
Armenian Evangelical Central Church of Sao Paulo (1927)  
Rev. Roy Abrahamian, M.D.
Online Worship Ministry
Joint online worship services, musical worship programs, and television productions are posted on the AEUNA Facebook page and YouTube channel, with more content available since the start of the pandemic. The worship program celebrating 175 years of the Armenian Evangelical Church will be posted online by July 1, 2021.

Armenian Evangelical Women’s Fellowship-Eastern and Western Region
The vibrant women’s fellowship of the AEUNA empowers women to live lives in a manner worthy of the gospel and to provide opportunities for spiritual growth, Bible study, and mission focus. AEWF Western Region has a Facebook page. Online programming is open to all women.

General Assemblies – AEUNA / Armenian Evangelical Youth Fellowship
Bringing our whole community together in a celebration of fellowship, common history, forward vision, and mission commitment. Churches take turns serving as hosts and creating a program of events over 3 days for these physical gatherings held at the beginning of summer every other year.

Youth Missions to Armenia and Special Mission Programs
The AMAA Summer Intern program provides Armenian Evangelical young men and women the opportunity to serve God in the Armenian homeland. Interns visit the needy and home-bound, distribute aid, help with Vacation Bible Schools and summer camps, learn about AMAA Armenia’s spiritual and humanitarian programs, and bond with other interns from around the world.

Churches support AMAA mission programs, and also work together with sister AEUNA churches on projects and fundraising. The AMAA All for Artsakh campaign continues during the 175th anniversary.
AEUNA’s mission is to unite, equip, and support the AEUNA churches and community by supporting lay leaders, helping churches serve their congregations, equipping pastors, and training the next generation of ministry and lay leaders.

**Minister to the Union, Board of Directors**

The Minister to the Union provides leadership and guidance to the pastors, churches, and ministries of the AEUNA as a full-time ministry leader. The volunteer/elected AEUNA Board of Directors is comprised of women and men, pastors and lay leaders, representing all regions in which AEUNA has churches and ministries.

**Committees**

**Armenian Christian Heritage** – Creates educational (and scholarly) materials and programs for all ages

**Youth** – Oversees Armenian Evangelical Youth Fellowships

**Evangelism** – Church Planting, events, and programs that evangelize the Word

**AEUNA/AMAA Joint Home Missions** – Supports churches and church mission programs in the Americas (Canada, USA, South America)

**Ministry** – Guides seminarians, approves scholarships, and approves ordination of ministerial candidates

**Publication** – Produces the AEUNA journal FORUM and other publicity materials

**Stewardship** – Promotes stewardship education, creates fundraising campaigns, and manages funds

**Personnel** – The HR of the AEUNA
Statement of Faith

We believe in the existence of one only living and true God, the creator, preserver, and governor of the universe.

We believe that the one God exists in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are a revelation of His will to men, and the sufficient and only rule of faith and practice.

We believe that mankind, in their natural state, are destitute of holiness, under the power of sin, and worthy of the wrath of God.

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ, is the only savior of sinners, and that by His perfect obedience, sufferings, and death, He made full atonement as the only sacrifice for sin, so that all who believe in Him will surely be saved.

We believe that due to the pervasive sinfulness of man, all must be regenerated by the power of the Holy Spirit in order to be saved.

We believe that we are justified by the righteousness of Christ alone, through faith, and not by any deeds of our own; and that while good works are inseparable from a true and living faith, they can never be the meritorious ground of salvation before God.

We believe that holiness of life, and love for God, for our fellowmen, and for ourselves, are essential evidences of the Christian character.

We believe that, besides God, no other being is to be worshiped and adored, and that all three persons of the sacred Trinity are worthy of our worship, which, to be acceptable, must be offered through no other mediation than that of Jesus Christ.

We believe that there will be a resurrection of the dead and a day of judgment; and that the happiness of the righteous, and the punishment of the wicked, commence at death, and continue forever.