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THE HIDDEN LIBRARY OF ANCIENT MANUSCRIPTS IN YEREVAN, ARMENIA

October 5, 7:30 p.m.
Seminary
Weniger Auditorium
(Room N150)

Abraham Terian, PhD

The Institute of Ancient Manuscripts in Yerevan, Armenia, houses the world’s largest collection of ancient manuscripts, approximately 20,000. These represent nearly the full range of the early Christian heritage in the East. Terian will discuss the most interesting works preserved there and their significance for the study of early Christianity.

Abraham Terian, PhD, is professor emeritus of Armenian Theology at St. Nersess Armenian Seminary in New Rochelle, N.Y. Before coming to St. Nersess in 1997, he was professor of Intertestamental and Early Christian Literatures for 20 years at various universities in the U.S. and abroad, including the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary from 1975-1994, and for four years as a recurring visiting professor for both Classical Armenian and Hellenistic Judaism at the University of Chicago. Terian is an internationally recognized scholar in these fields. In 2005, he became the first recipient of the Fulbright Distinguished Chair in the Humanities award by the Fulbright Foundation, the Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES) of the U.S. Department of State, and the U.S.-Israel Educational Foundation (US-IEF). In 2008, he was elected a Fellow of the National Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Armenia.