

**Stewardship Message**  
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Good morning, my name is Katina Mavrophilos, and I am GOYA president. St. Demetrios is my second home, I really did grow up here. I have participated in Sunday school and Greek school. I have been dancing for St. Demetrios since I could walk and I am now a dance teacher.

I have been part of GOYA for almost 5 years, I play basketball for GOYA, and have been on the GOYA board for 3 years. Until recently I did not know how much work it took to keep this church running. St. Demetrios has given us so much that we have to remember to give back to the church.

This church has given us, 'the youth' many things. It has given us friendships that will last a lifetime, amazing memories, laughter, tears, and stories we will tell our children. The ministries of our church, keeps everyone involved and keeps the church growing. We as the youth try to help St. Demetrios as much as possible. Even though being in GOYA and dancing is an amazing experience, one day we will grow up and have to give back to the church in other ways.

So in a few years when our children and grandchildren are at St. Demetrios, going to Greek school, dancing, or in GOYA, I know that this church is still giving them great friendships and memories.

I also know that they will give back to the church, so that their children and grandchildren can have amazing friendships and memories.

On behalf of the youth, I ask you to continue to support our church and its ministries. We thank you for being good stewards of our church, and we will gladly follow in your footsteps.