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Photographs taken by Emilio Bonfiglio, Elizabeth Buchanan, Matthew Kinloch, William Macaulay, Miranda Williams, Edward Zychowicz-Coghill *

- the photographs of Armenian ecclesiastical architecture on Manar from Eastern Turkey (to be published) were taken almost exclusively on a 10-day trip to Kars region in May 2019, which was funded by the Manar al-Athar, Oxford University Byzantine Society and Nubar Pasha Fund

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Around 4000 photographs of Armenian sites:

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* alphabetical order

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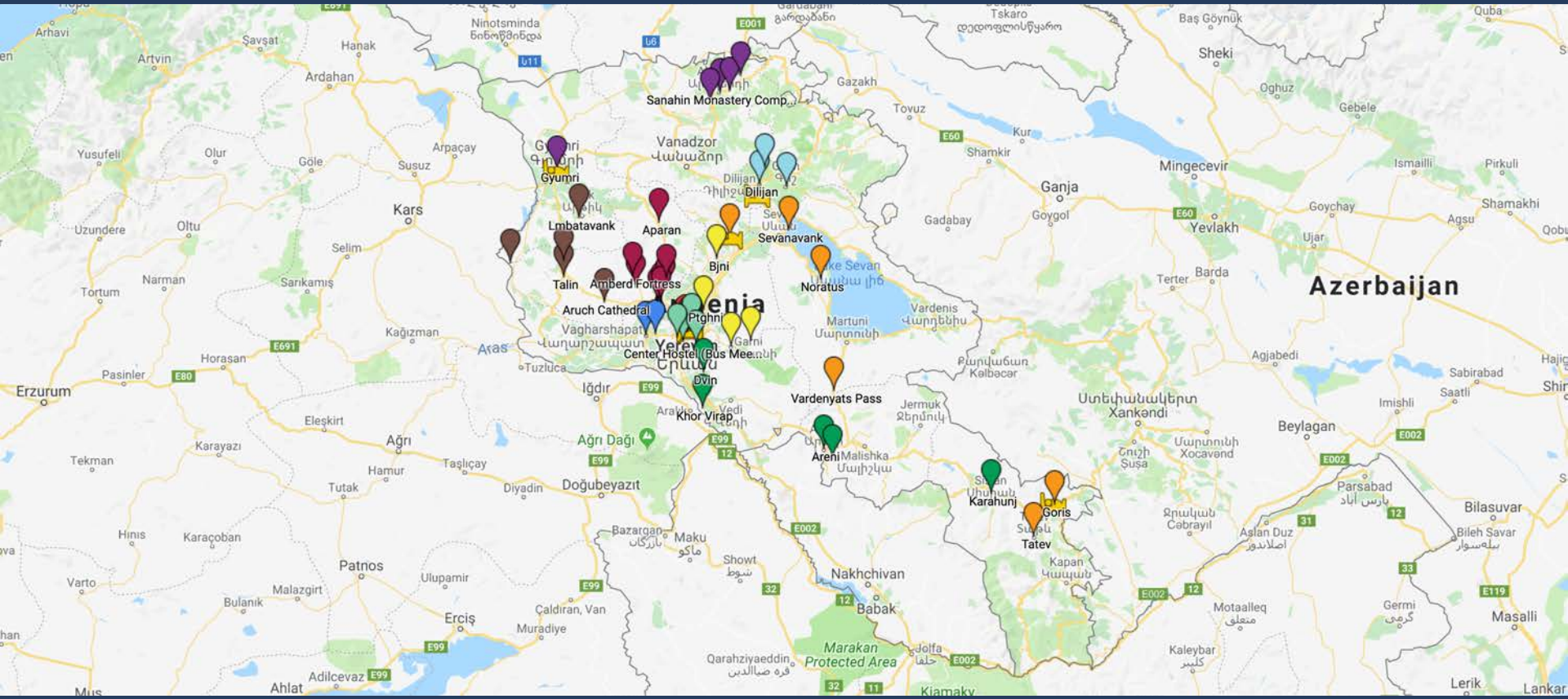
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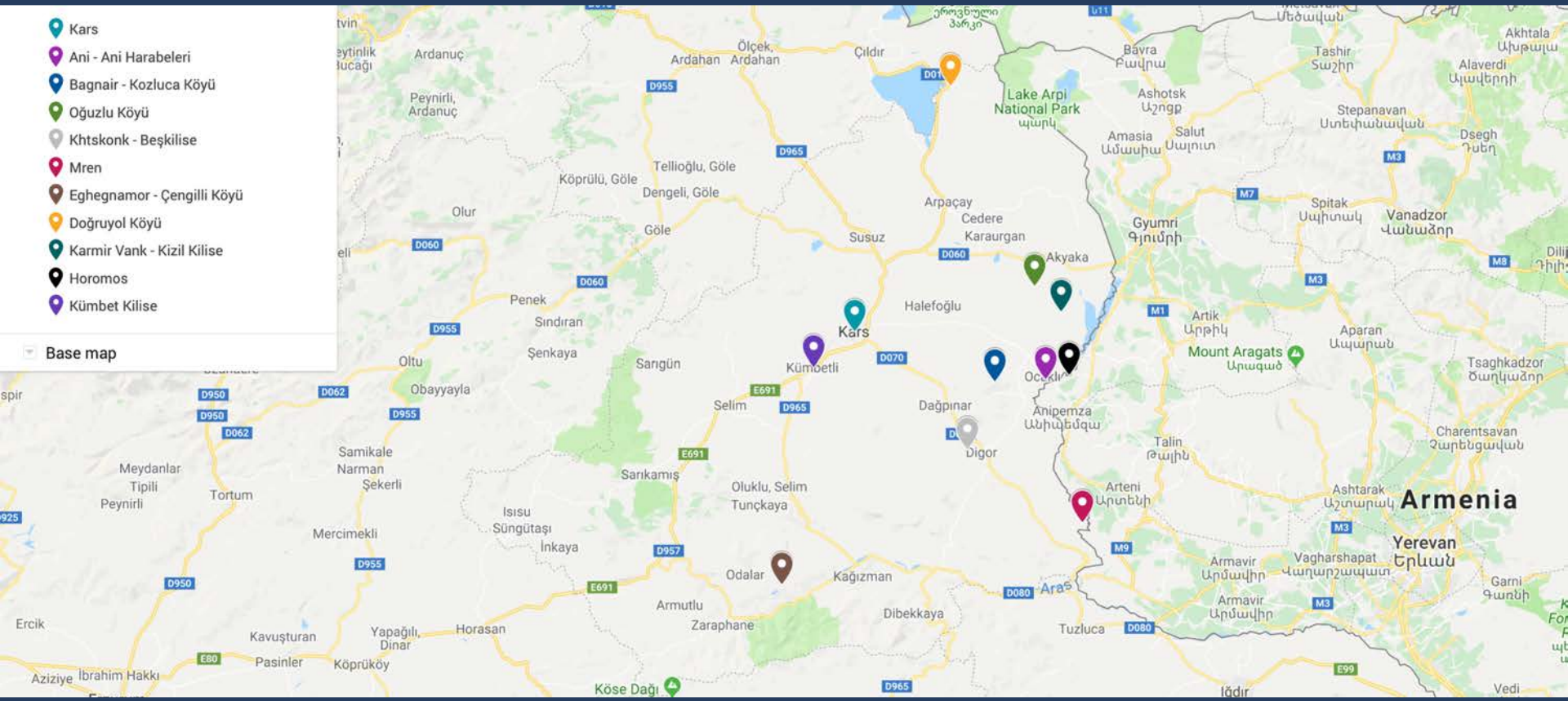
Tegher Monastery, 13 c.

Zvartnots, 7 c.

Eastern Turkey

Kars region



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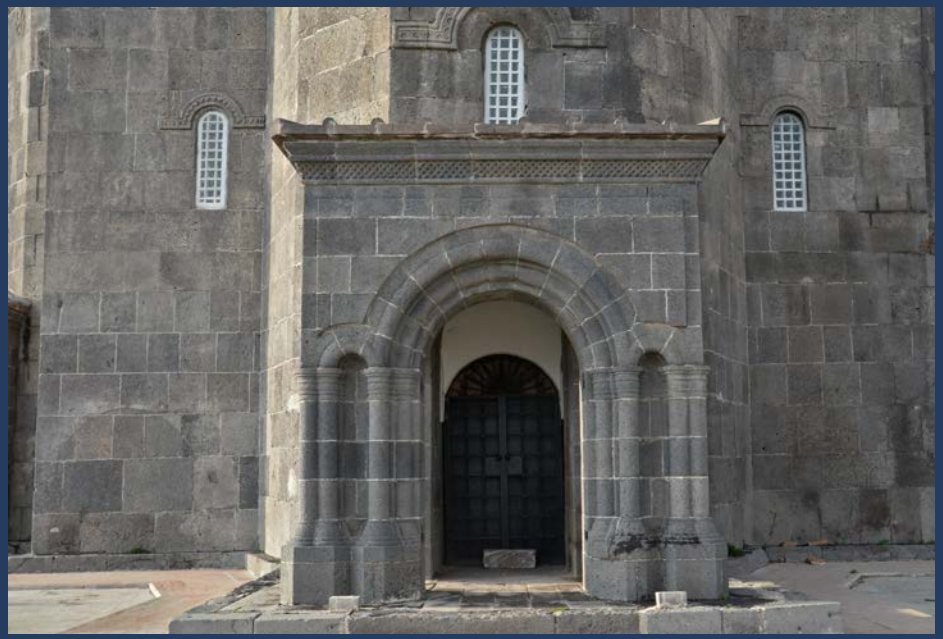
The Church of the Holy Apostles - Karsi Surb Arakelots' yekeghets'i, 10 c.

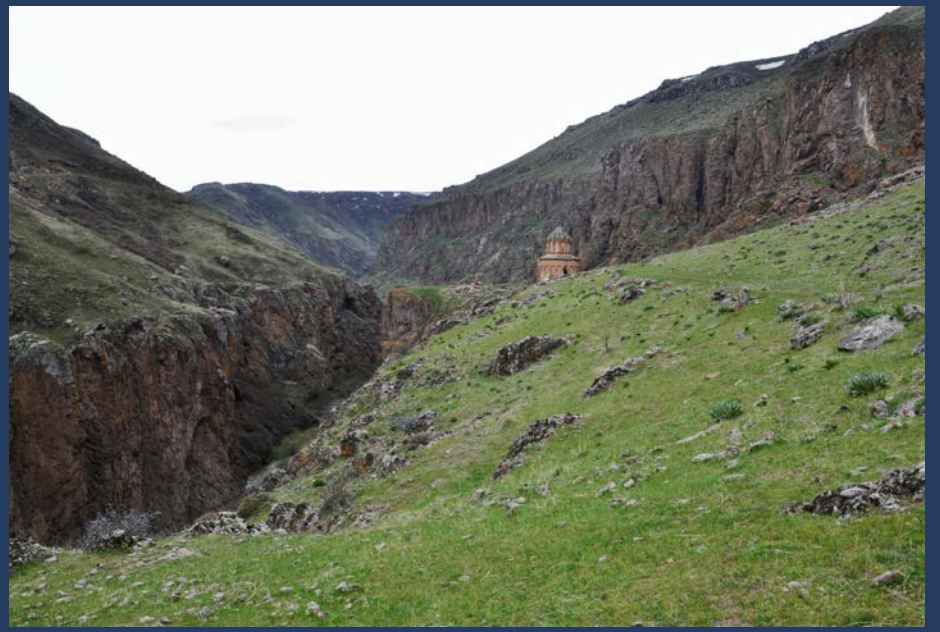


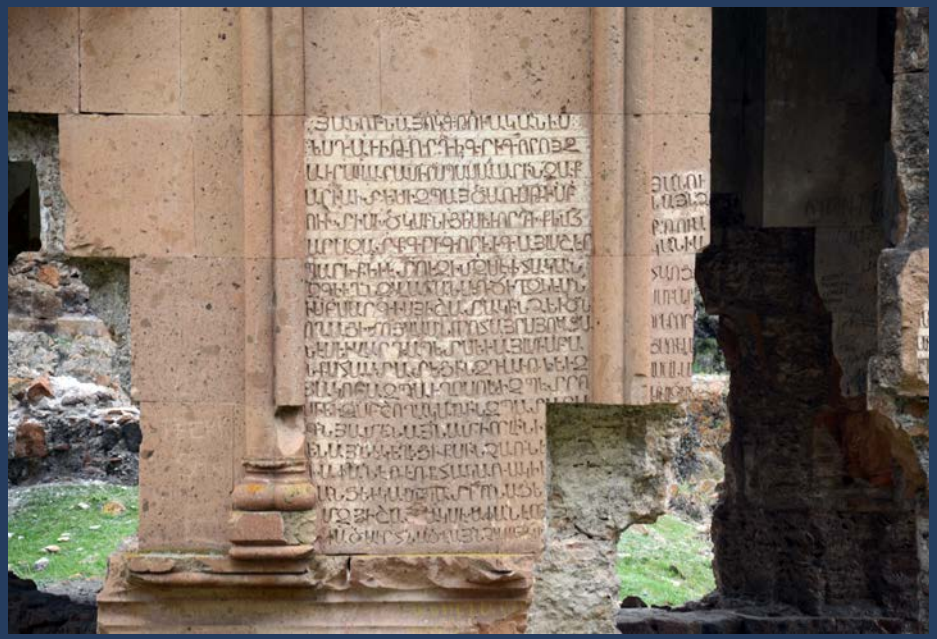
Kars

The Virgin Mary Church – Surb Asdvadzadzin, 10/11 c. (?)

II. Digor

Khtzkonk Monastery - The Church of Saint Sargis (Surb Sargis), 11 c.





III. Ani

City of Ani, 5 - 17 c.

Ani

The Cathedral of Ani, 10 - 11 c.

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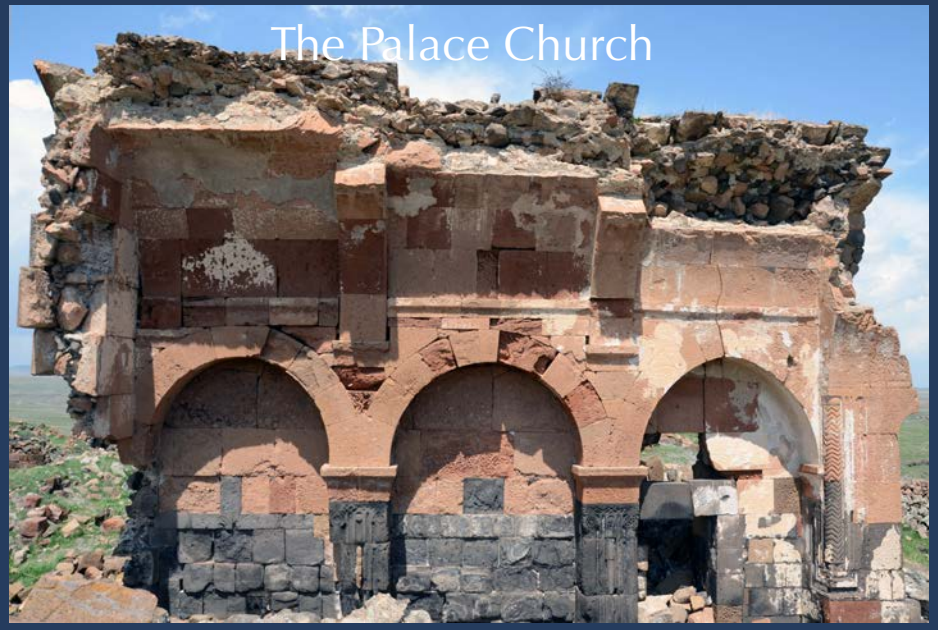
The Citadel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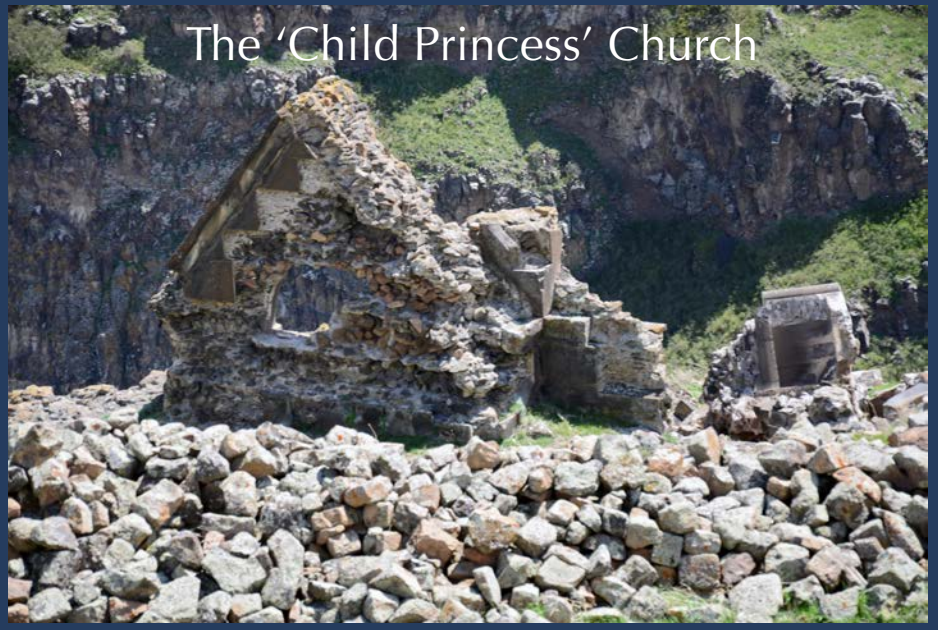
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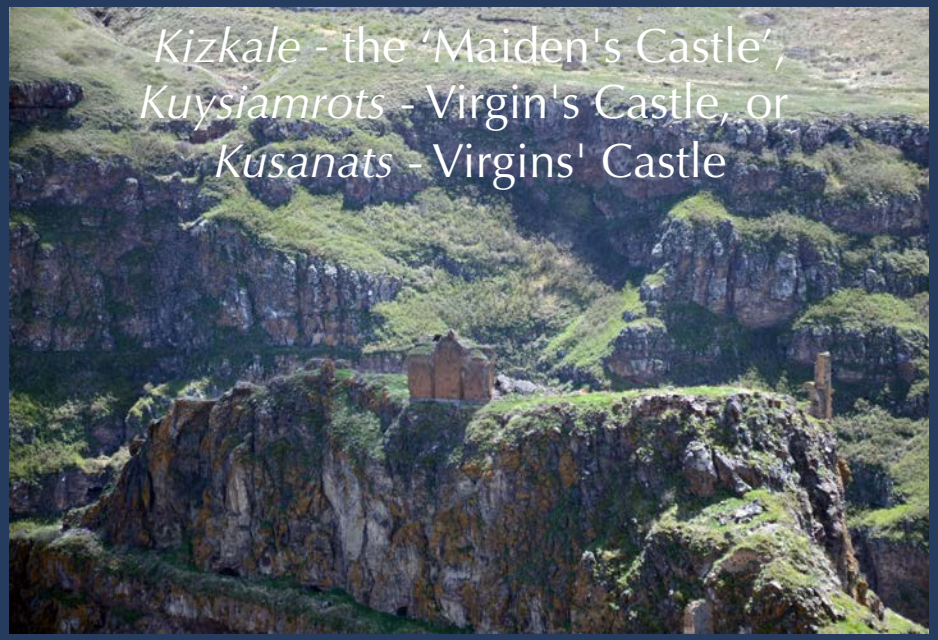
Kizkale - the ‘Maiden's Castle’,
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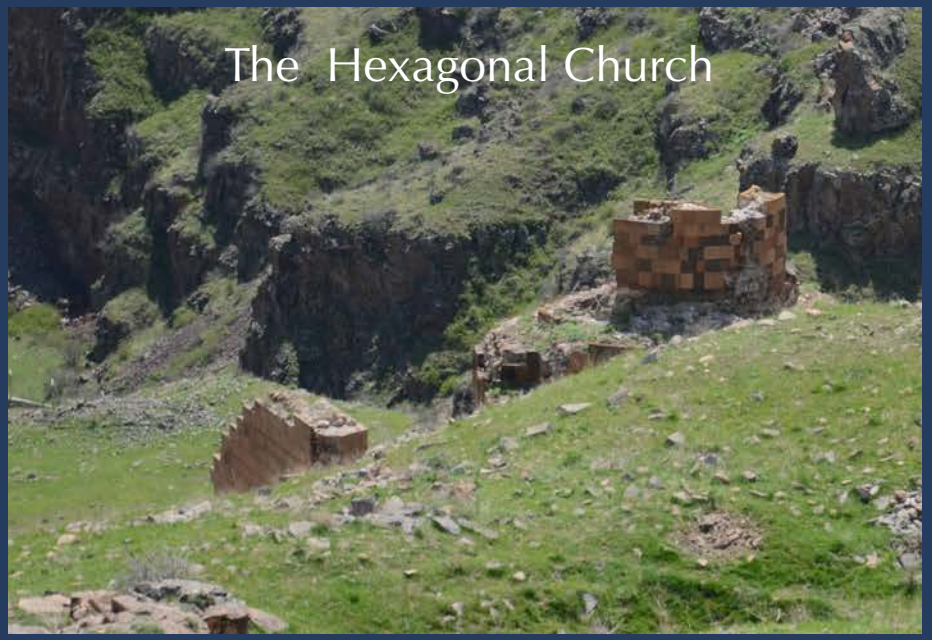
The Hexagonal Church

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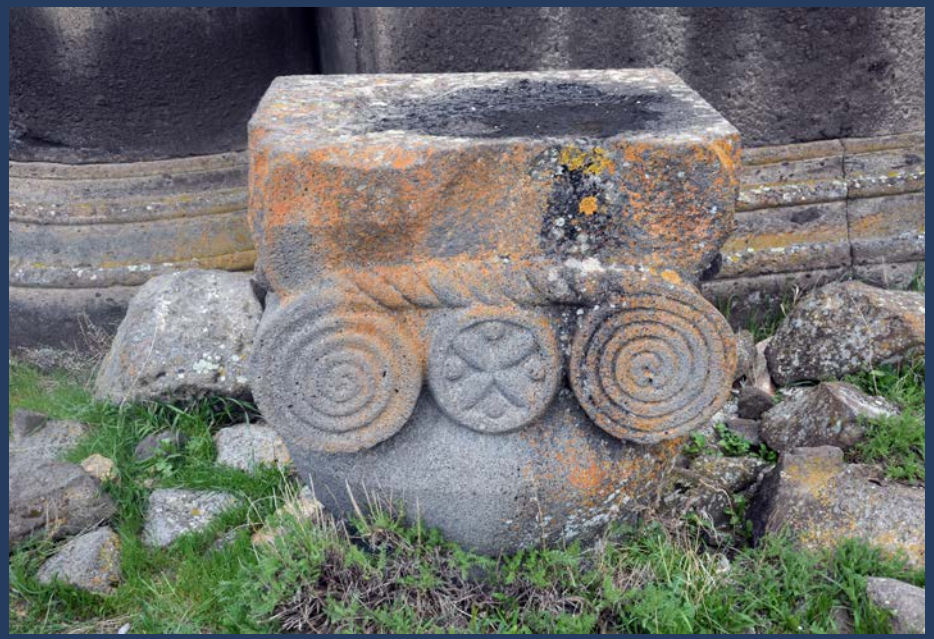
King Gagik's Church of Saint Gregory, 11 c.



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The 'Georgian' Church, 11 or 13 c.

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The Church of Saint Gregory of the Abughamir family, 11 c.

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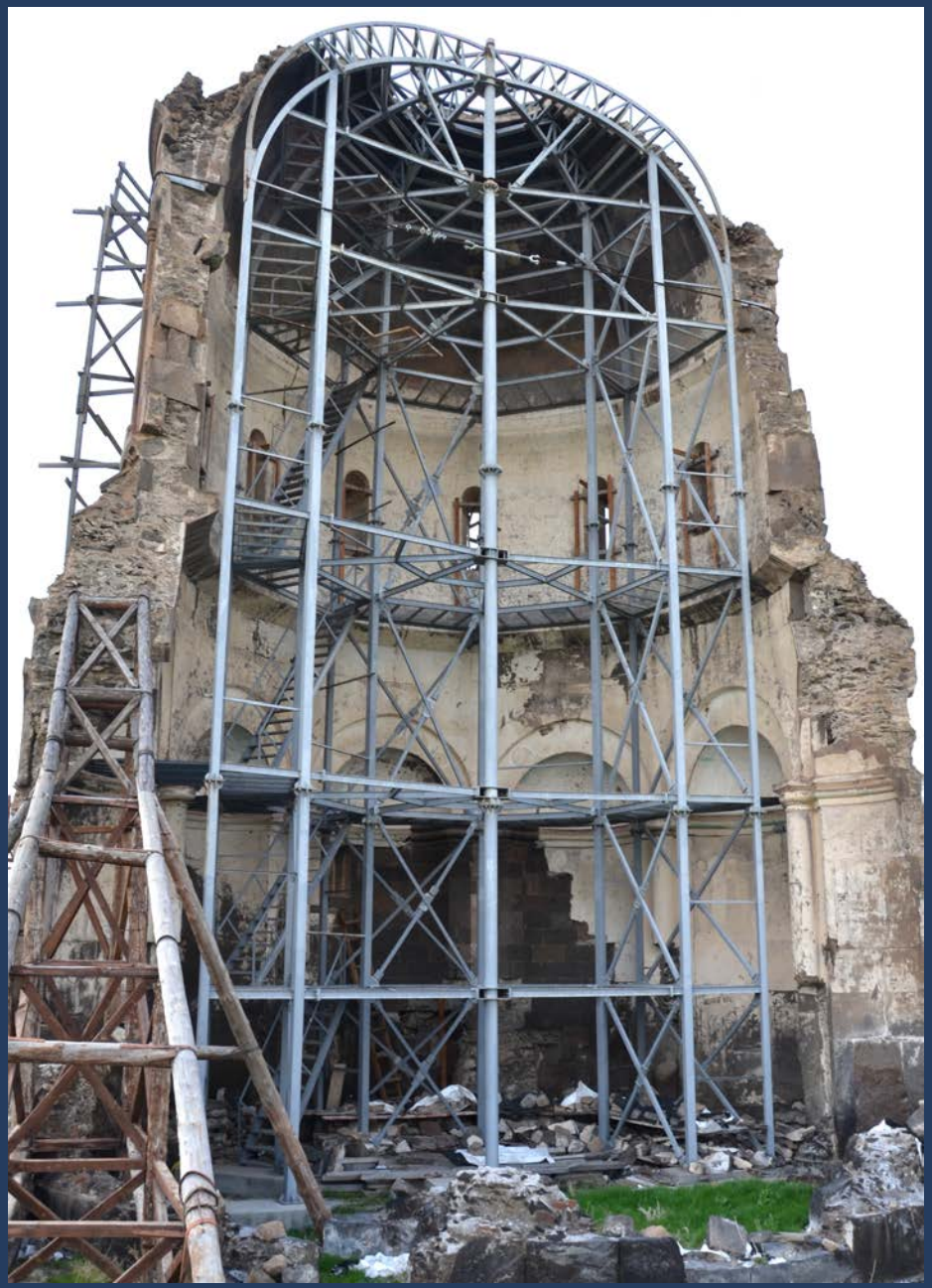
The Church of the Redeemer - Surp Amenap'rkitch, 11 c.



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Church of St Gregory of Tigran Honents, 13 c.

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The Church of the Holy Apostles - Surp Arak'elots, 11 c.

Ani

The Monastery of the Hripsimian Virgins - Bekhents Monastery, 11 or 13 c.

IV. Kozluca

The Monastery of Bagnayr, 10 c. - Surp Astuacacin Church

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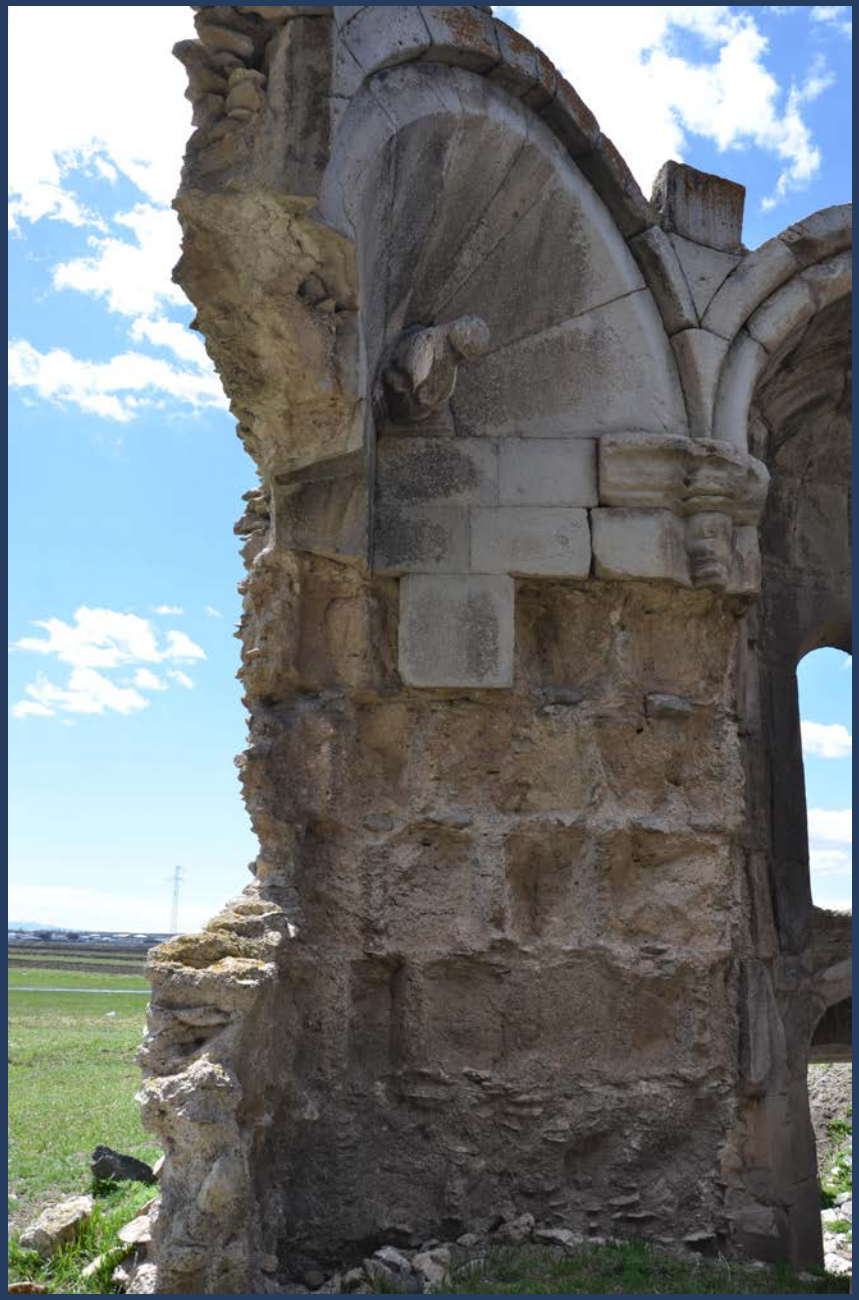
The Monastery of Bagnayr, 10 c. – The Hexagonal Church

V. Dogruyol

The Armenian/Georgian Church, 10 c.

VI. Kümbetli

The Kümbet Kilise (Church), 11 c.

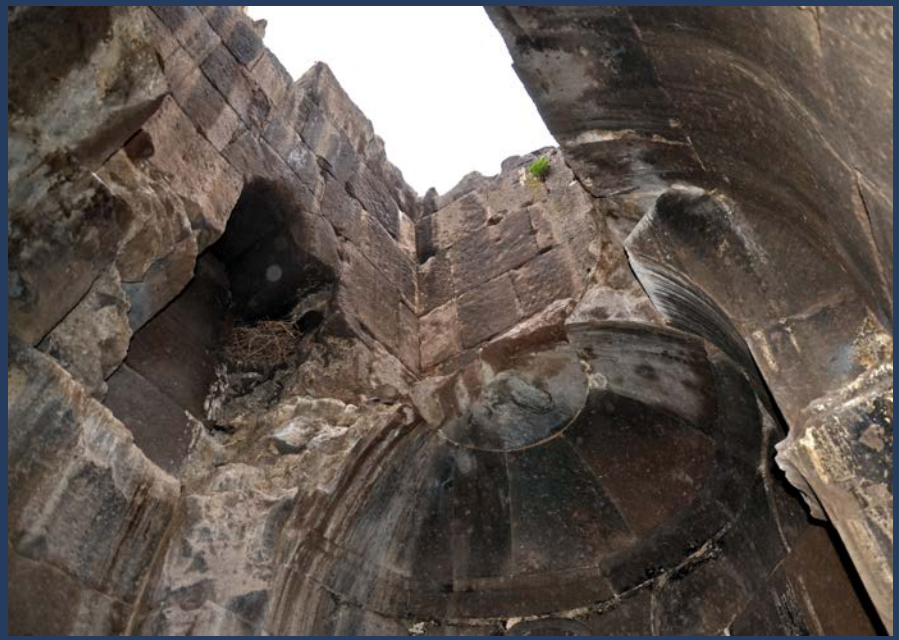


VII. Yağıkesen

Karmir Vank (The Kizil Kilise), 12/13 c.

VIII. Oğuzlu

The Oğuzlu Village Church, 10 c.



VIII. Çengelli

The Lenamori (Georgian?) or Eghegnamor Monastery, 10/11 c.

Conclusion

The majority of Armenian ecclesiastical sites in Eastern Turkey that we visited are

- not easily accessible (geography, border zone),
- neglected, decayed and/or destroyed,
- not accompanied with adequate tables (destroyed and/or insufficiently informative),
- not documented in detail,
- not always well known (history, names and dates).

We aim to

- reach them,
- document their present state,
- document as much details as possible,
- conduct research,
- preserve them digitally and online.

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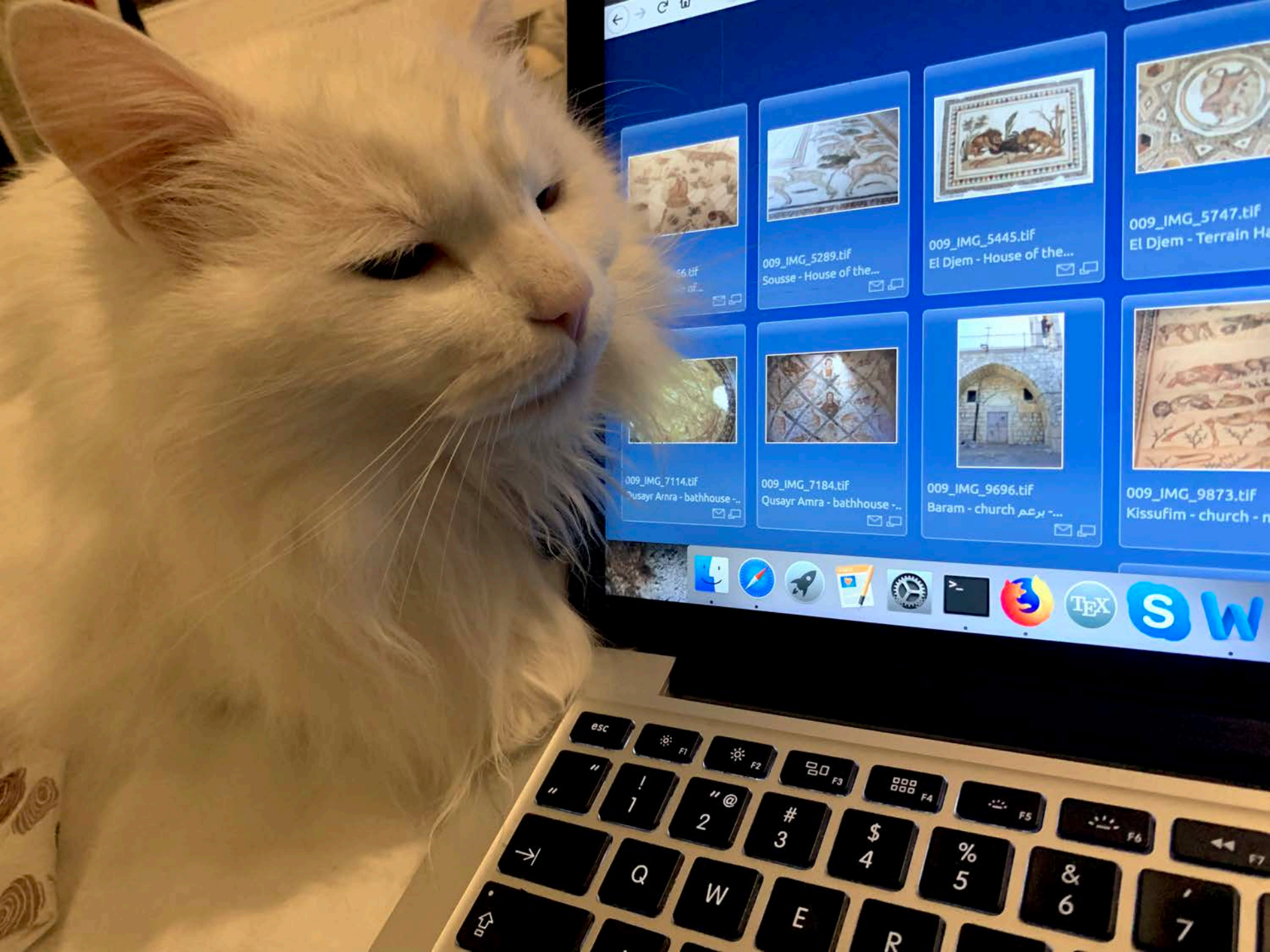
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