## **Khalil Kardous**

Khalil was born in Damascus, Syria in 1942. He studied at the Orthodox School of Damascus and came to the U.S. in 1965.

Khalil graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Platteville in 1969 with a degree in Business Administration and Economics. He moved to Chicago and worked for an office equipment company, gaining knowledge about the industry. In 1973, he moved to Charlotte, NC and opened Charlotte Copy Data Company in 1984. Khalil built the company into a \$50-million company with 250 employees in six locations. He sold the company in 2008 and retired.

Khalil is married with one son. He has served on the Archdiocese Board of Trustees for many years. He also serves on the Balamand Educational Foundation as a board member. Khalil has also established several missions in the southeastern United States.

His goal is to help Orthodoxy spread throughout North America.