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Welcome to the 80th PCSBA's Convention!

October 19-21, 2017, Russian Baptist Church of Bryte

NEWS OF DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION

PREPARATIONS FOR THE 80TH ASSOCIATION'S CONVENTION

The intensive preparations for the upcoming PCSBA's Convention are under way. The attendees will be able to take advantage of about ten various seminars. In contrast to previous conventions, there will be more broad information about work of the association's departments. Most of the departments will have their own banners and brochures which describe the departments. The departments' representatives will be happy to discuss their ministry with you and answer your questions about the department.

During the day sessions and evening services, there will be a lot of music and songs performed by the youth, joint choirs, and music groups from various churches. In addition, every evening service will have one of the sermons in English.

Since this is a spiritually-edifying convention, there was an increase in the quota of the church participants. In addition, every general session and all seminars will be open to everyone. In order to participate in the convention, <u>you may register on the Association's website</u> or with the association's secretary. You can preview the convention's schedule, speakers' biographies, and short descriptions of the seminars <u>on the association's</u>

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ROCK-LAND CHURCH MOVED TO A NEW LOCATION

Rock-land Church held its first church service at a new location on September 3rd. About 700 were gathered in the gymnasium which was retrofitted for the church. Nine pastors invoked God's blessing upon this new location.

God gave a huge present to this church. An American church whose service was primarily centered around youth and children's ministry offered them to participate in the building project with very lucrative benefits. The building project of Rock-land Church consisted of not only a building of 700-800 seating space, but also a residential complex with 88 units. For more information, read an article on the Association's website (In Russian only). You can also view the pictures of the first church service there.



ASSOCIATION'S PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO UKRAINE

On September 8, I.V. Mileyev accompanied by his wife Alena visited Ukraine. Eight years after his previous visit to Kiev, he was pleasantly surprised by the external changes, as well as internal transformations in different aspects of the city life. Ukraine is experiencing total religious freedom and opportunities of open preaching of the Gospel. Many residents of Kiev spend their weekends and days on the Plaza of Independence. It is not just a place of the past events, but also a place where the preaching of the Gospel can presently be heard. More details about this trip can be found in an article by I. Mileyev (click here).

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THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT OF MOLDOVA

The elders of the churches of ECB in Moldova invited I. V. Mileyev to participate in their 33rd convention. Ivan Vladimirovich shares the information about this convention and about those who actively participated in its decision-making in an article which can be found on the association's website (click here).

He was pleased to find out that the association's newspaper *Our Days* is in wide circulation in Moldova. A few people approached him expressing gratitude and positive feedback about the content of the newspaper. If you would like to find out more about the newspaper, visit the website http://nashidni.com. You can also fill out a subscription there.





ADDRESS CHANGE FOR THE CHURCH IN HONOLULU

Slavic Baptist Church of Honolulu moved to a new location: 511 Main Street, Honolulu, HI 96818. They also have a new phone number (808)294-5156.

SIERRA PINES CAMP'S 70TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On September 2-4, Sierra Pines Camp celebrated its 70th year of being a Christian campground. Everyone was invited along with those who are currently or have previously served in this ministry.

During the festive celebration a few people shared their memories from the history of the campground. Cindy de Bure's testimony brought many to tears. She shared about how she accepted the Lord in this campground as a teen and how her life was totally transformed. She decided to become a missionary and moved to Africa where she shares the Gospel of Christ with all.

A full article of Sarah Sueva who is the assistant director of the camp, can be found on our website- click here.



NEWS FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

On September 8 and 9, Institute of Ministry "*Blagovest*" had its first session in the *Evangelism and Church Ministry* (AA Degree). The classes were in English and had 15 students.

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On September 9th the "Blagovest" Institute had their first session in the Church Ministry program (AA Degree) at The Cornerstone Church where the head pastor is Oleg Kostyuk.

On September 22nd and 23rd, there was another session of the "*Blagovest"* extension in Italy. Oleg Korotkiy who is a pastor in Ashkelon, Israel, taught hermeneutics.

FIRST SLAVIC CHURCH'S MISSIONARY MINISTRY

First Slavic Baptist Church in Sacramento is rightfully called Missionary. Over the course of the entire year, the groups and individual missionaries of this church go to various parts of the globe sharing the Gospel with the locals there. This year is no exception. This year there were many fruitful trips which will be covered by Emilia Guseva in a few of her articles. Read the first article about the missionary trip to Africa.



NEW PUBLICATIONS IN ENGLISH

<u>Short biography of F.P. Karpets</u> and biography of <u>First Slavic Baptist Church of</u>
<u>Sacramento</u> are published in English. To access these translations, you can click on:
About Us -- Our History -- Famous Ministers, or History of Our Churches.

THE ASSOCIATION'S RADIO – broadcasts of the past month

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<u>During the past month, the following programs</u> were aired on the association's radio - see list below. In order to listen to a program of interest, please click on its name. All programs are in Russian only.

- About Local Misisons. V. Khripunov
- About I. Mileyev's trip to Ukraine and Moldova
- Bible Conference "Reformation of the Heart". Joseph Sherimet
- Prayer Breakfast of the "Moms in Prayer" Ministry. G. Bugriyev, Albina Komisar, and Oksana.
- About the "God's Vineyard" Magazin. O. Bubnyak
- О 80-ом съезде Объединения:

80th Convention. "Unity and Diversity in Theology of the Reformation" Seminar by S. Borushko

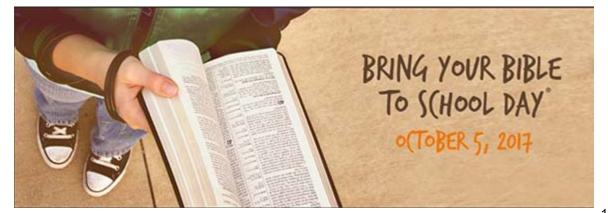
80th Convention. "Historical Foundation of the Reformation" Seminar by A. Popov

80th Convention. "Is there an Extension of the Reformation Today?" Seminar by A. Melnichuk

NEWS FROM VARIOUS PLACES

BRING YOUR BIBLE TO SCHOOL DAY

On this day — this year's event is Oct. 5 — thousands of students across the whole country will share God's hope and celebrate religious freedom by doing something simple, yet powerful: They'll bring their Bibles to school and talk about it with friends! Be a part of this nationwide, student-led movement! Get started now by following the three easy steps presented on this website: http://www.bringyourbible.org.





INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS AND CHURCHES

November 5 and 12 – are the international days of prayer for the persecuted church. Over 200 millions of Christians around the world today are persecuted and oppressed in different ways.

Ever since 1955, Open Doors organization, which specializes in giving aid and protection to the persecuted Christians, diligently verifies the statistics about the persecution has shocking statistics. **On monthly average**:

- 1. 322 Christians in the world die for their faith
- 2. **214** churches and church properties are destroyed, confiscated, or burned
- 3. **772** various violent acts like beatings, rape, arrests, abduction, and forced marriages are done against Christians

Look at the map (click here), which colorfully marks the places where Christians are subjected to serious or extreme persecution, and you will have an idea about how God's children around the world need our intercessory prayers.

On November 5th and 12th, Christians around the world will unite in prayer for those who are persecuted. Not everyone knows about the international prayer, that is why you should share this in your church and join in on the prayer. The Association's website has guidelines in leading the prayer, video and PowerPoint presentations, which talk about the condition of the persecuted Christians, and a lot of other useful material – see here.

EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- September 29– October 1 Grace Family Church will host a Bible Conference "Reformation of the Heart" with the intent of showing the influence of the Reformation on the personal life of Christians. Speakers will be Aleksandr Kalinskiy, who is the pastor of "Springs of Life" church in Zdolbunov, Ukraine, and Joseph Sheremet who is a pastor at Grace Family Church. For registration visit: www.gfchurch.com. For questions, contact: (916) 481-1001, info@gfchurch.com.
- The PCSBA's Convention will take place in Sacramento on October 19 21. It will be a spiritually-edifying convention with a theme of "Reformation-Returning to the Gospel". It will be hosted by Russian Baptist Church of Bryte. For more information about the convention, and the schedule, visit: http://pcsba.com/index.php /en/calendar/80th-convention-website. To find out more about the convention's seminars, listen to the radio programs with the interviews of the seminars' speakers. To access the broadcasts, visit: http://pcsba.com/index.php /ru/resources-ru/radio-ru.

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• «God on Trail» is a new conference from a series of "Fearless Faith", which will take place on November 11, 2017. Many of the well-known apologists on the global level are invited to debate the hot topics which are relevant to contemporary Christianity and especially to the youth. Early price registration-\$30. To register, visit: http://godontrialsacramento.com/registration. Location of the conference: House of Bread Christian Church, 6521 Hazel Ave, Sacramento, CA 95662. For more information, visit the Association's Website – click here.

МОЛИТВЕННЫЕ НУЖДЫ

- Pray for the upcoming Association's Convention and its preparations
- Pray for the blessings upon the ministers of the Association for the glory of God, and for the edification of churches and their members
- Pray for the government of our country and its states, for the peace and well-being
 of our cities
- Pray for aid to those who suffered from hurricanes and earthquakes
- Pray for the well-being of Israel

If you have some news you would like to share with others, please send them at pcsbaca@gmail.com.

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