



NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION

CHRIST HAS RISEN!

The PCSBA's President I. V. Mileyev and vice president G. B. Gavelovskiy greet everyone during this season of celebrating the Resurrection of our savior the Lord Jesus Christ. The written greeting is uploaded to the [Association's website \(click here\)](#). Video greetings are also accessible on Facebook and YouTube: [greeting of I. Mileyev](#) | [greeting of G. Gavelovskiy](#).



WE RECEIVED RESURRECTION GREETINGS

Our Association received Resurrection greetings from other Christian unions and individual ministers. To access a particular greeting, please click on its title below. We are grateful to all for the season's greetings.

- [Union of ECB churches of Moldova](#)
- [I. Miron, acting secretary of the Union of ECB of Moldova](#)
- [Bible Slavic Mission, Germany](#)
- [International Public Organization "Hope to People", Ukraine](#)
- [Church of Istanbul, Turkey](#)
- [Coordinator of Russian-speaking churches of Europe, I. Danilyuk](#)
- [Alliance of Churches of North America](#)
- [Russian-Ukrainian Union of ECB Churches of America](#)
- [Grace Family Church, California](#)
- [Precept Ministry, California](#)
- [V. M. Tsvirinko, Association's Missionary in Moldova](#)
- [Alik Shipuk's Family, Association's Missionary in Spain](#)
- [Vasily Filan, Euro-Asian Regional Director of Precept Ministry, Moldova](#)

PASTOR ORDINATION IN HAWAII



Slavic Church of Honolulu had a wonderful event: the ordination of Pavel Marchenko. Pavel was a deacon who performed pastoral duties for many years. The Association's president, I. V. Mileyev, and Sergey Marchenko, Pavel's father, performed the ordination. [The details of this church service and photos available on the association's website – click here \(in Russian only.\)](#)

We wish God's blessings upon the new pastor in this difficult ministry to the Lord and his faithful oversight of the flock.

MISSIONARY TRAINING

Sixty young and middle-aged Christians came to the annual missionary training organized by the Missionary Department of the Association. The training took place at Bethel Church. The main speaker was Michael Cherenkov who is the director over regional ministry of the Eurasia Mission. For more about the training, read [in an article by I. Karhut on the Association's website – click here.](#)



«YARMARKA OF MINISTRIES»

This was the name of the big event that took place at the Russian Baptist Church of Bryte on April 6. This church numbers over two thousand members and has a variety of ministries. However, even with such a large number of people, all ministries still lack faithful participants. The goal of this event was to attract new people to a ministry, especially the young ones. For more information [watch to this video clip – click here.](#)





Yarmarka of Ministries at the Russian Baptist Church of Bryte

STAND UP FOR YOUR CHILDREN!

Sexual education of small children and teenagers in the public schools – institutionalized perversion of children and abuse of their underdeveloped conscience.

[Read G.Gavelovskiy's article on the Association's website and join in prayer!](#)

WOMEN'S MINISTRY UPDATESЯ

A conference in Los Angeles, "How to Pass on the Faith to the Next Generation" seminar at the Second Slavic Baptist Church in Sacramento, women's prayer breakfast at the Church of Bryte, and leadership meeting of the Association's Women's Ministry Department are covered in [an article which can be found on the Association's website \(in Russian only.\)](#)

MARCH AND APRIL UPDATES OF THE EDUCATION MINISTRY

The church in Hayward had a graduation ceremony for the students of the "Blagovest" Institute. Twelve students from the local church and one student from Sacramento successfully completed their education in the B.A. of Church Ministry program. The diplomas were awarded by the Association's president Ivan Mileyev and the Director of "Blagovest" Institute, Aleksandr Pronin. To find more updates of the Association's Education Ministry, [please visit the Association's website – click here \(in Russian only.\)](#)



B.A. Graduates

PREPARATION FOR THE MISSIONARY CONGRESS

We will try to bring monthly updates on the preparation progress for the *International Missionary Congress*, which is scheduled to take place on May 14-16, 2020.

The committee has been created for the preparation of the congress and is currently gathering suggestions about the themes of the seminars, music program, and the flow of the entire congress. The committee members are Vadim Yurchak, coordinator, Aleksey Yanovskiy, coordinator, and leader of the Association's Missionary Ministry, Peter Starodub who is overseeing the prayer preparations, and Sergey Yanovskiy is responsible for the music program. Their contact information [on the Association's website – click here](#) (in Russian only.) Email your suggestions and comments to this address: mission2020cong@gmail.com.

CITYWIDE PRAYER OF MINISTERS

On April 12, First Slavic Baptist Church in Sacramento hosted a prayer meeting of ECB Church pastors. The pastors were asked to come with their wives. The meeting was divided into three parts. The first was thanking God for the blessings and the freedom that we have in this country, and entreaties for the blessings upon all the ministries of the churches. Andrey Dzube who is the coordinator of the foreign ministry of the Russian Union of ECB led this part. The second part was the time of prayer for the pastors and their families, and was led by Michael Avramenko. The third was dedicated to the prayer for the pastors' wives. For details, see [the video – click here](#).



“GOD’S VINEYARD” MAGAZINE

Even though the interest in the printed material, especially in the Russian language, is declining in our churches, there are still those who will appreciate the archival publications of “God’s Vineyard” magazine. The Association’s website has the releases of 2007-2016 under the [Ministries –«God’s Vineyard» Magazine](#). We hope that reading the magazines will be useful for the spiritual encouragement and will also provide intellectual and esthetic appreciation because of how well these magazines are illustrated. [Click here to access the magazine’s page](#). The archived copies of the magazine are available only on the Russian part of the website.

PRAYER FOR BLESSING OF FAMILIES WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

On April 6, Slavic Baptist Church of West Sacramento hosted a prayer service for families with special needs children. Nine pastors from various churches with raised hands prayed for families with handicapped children or adults. Three of these pastors know from experience what these families are going through.

Pastor John Ramie’s sermon was very encouraging: “I know that you were all praying much about the healing for your children, but that healing did not happen. But persevere a little more, and you will see your children in a new light, in heaven. In the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ where you as parents will receive special reward from God for your love and patience. There you will see your children in such a way that you wouldn’t have dreamed of –healthy, beautiful, and intelligent. Have a little more patience, and you will see...” Read [the article of Natalya Smolikov who leads the Children with Special Needs Ministry – click here](#).



Prayer of Blessing

ASSOCIATION'S RADIO – broadcasts of the past month

During the past month, the following programs 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.

- ["Murderous Glory". About the choir ministry. A. Orlov, St. Petersburg, Russia](#)
- [Choir Ministry. L. Glinskiy, Ukraine](#)
- [Role of the Worship Leader in the Life of the Church. C. Khaschuk](#)
- [Ministry of the Hope to the People Mission. T. Pristupa, Ukraine](#)
- [Missionary Congress - 2020. A. Yanovskiy](#)
- [Remembrance of the Sufferings of Christ](#)
- [Resurrection Celebration Greeting. I. Mileyev, G. Gavelovskiy](#)
- [Annual Missionary Training. S. Tkachev](#)
- [Expansion of the Ministry of Pacific Thrift Store. A. Yanovskiy](#)

SOME STATISTICS FROM THE ASSOCIATION

Do you know that...

- The Pacific Coast Association of churches is ECB is 91 years old. It was established in 1928.
- It consists of 35 churches in four states: California, Washington, Hawaii, and Minnesota.
- The total number of members of all churches of the Association is 8227.
- The biggest church of the Association is the Russian Slavic Baptist Church of Bryte, which has 2200 members.
- The smallest church is the Slavic Baptist Church of Yuba City, which has 13 members
- The number of churches per state: California –28, Washington –5, Hawaii –1, and Minnesota –1.

In the upcoming newsletters, we will have more information about our Association.

NEWS FROM OUR PARTNERS

THIRD MISSIONARY YOUTH CONGRESS

About 4,000 young adults and teenagers registered to participate in the Third Youth Congress of North America. God abundantly blessed this event. There were edifying sermons, live music of many orchestras, choir, and solo performances – this was a true Christian celebration.

The president of our Association, I. V. Mileyev, took a part in this congress and shared his positive impression of it [in an article, published on the Association's website \(click here\)](#). Video recordings of the Congress are accessible on the YouTube channel – see the links below.

- [Friday, March 29](#)
- [Saturday, March 30](#)
- [Sunday, March 31](#)



SCHOOL WITHOUT WALLS

“School without Walls” is one of the projects of our partner in ministry, Eurasia Mission. In their newsletter, the Mission shares about their work on this project in the territories of the former Soviet Union from Kavkaz to Mongolia. The goal of the project is to educate and train leaders to open new churches in various regions populated by people from many cultures and different beliefs. [Read their letter here.](#)

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

BUILDING TOGETHER

BBS or Slavic Baptist Mission located in Germany ministers to Christians of many countries. Among its many projects, it has one that is a very interesting one. They build church buildings for the churches of the former Soviet Union. In just 10 days, a team of volunteers from different countries builds the building and leaves the work of finishing touches in the hands of the local church. BBS is inviting those who wish to join their ministry. [Details can be found in their letter – click here \(in Russian only.\)](#)

EVENTS ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION! *If you would like to have events' announcements to be included in our newsletters, please email that information to pcsbaca@gmail.com no later than the 23rd of the current month.*

- **May 4** – The department of the Children with Special Needs Ministry invites families who have children or other relatives with special needs to a celebration of “Day of Special Family” that will take place on May 4 from 11:00am to 2:00pm at 1541 Merkley Ave, West Sacramento, 95691 (Collings Teen Center building). The program will include participation of children and adults with special needs, reception, games, and gifts. If you would like to participate in this event, call or text to the following contacts (916) 833-5510 or (916) 400-1186.
- **May 25** - The Church of Bryte on Solano will host a conference for all the widows, orphans, and lonesome. The church address is 828 Solano Street, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Time of the conference will be 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. If you would like to participate in the program of the conference, contact Tatyana Senina who leads this ministry at (916) 834-9068. For registration, contact Luba at (916) 873-3761, Peter (916) 514-2730, or Women's Ministry leaders at your church.

This is a free admission event, but registration is needed to know how many to plan for.



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“ГОСПОДЬ СИЛА МОЯ И ПЕСНЬ”
ДЛЯ ВДОВ, СИРОТ И ОДИНОКИХ

BRYTE CHURCH
828 SOLANO STREET
WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691

25 Мая 2019 г.
11А.М. – 4 Р.М.

- May 24-25, Precept Ministry will have a seminar on the theme of “Heaven, Hell, and Life after Death” that will take place on May 24: 6 pm – 9 pm; May 25: 10 am - 3 pm. Address: 5132 Elkhorn Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95842. With questions, contact (916) 992-4404. More information about the theme of the seminar [can be found on the Association’s website – click here \(in Russian only.\)](#)



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И ЖИЗНЬ ПОСЛЕ СМЕРТИ**
Семинар

24 мая.....6pm - 9pm
25 мая...10am - 3pm

5132 Elkhorn Blvd | Sacramento
916-247-6394 | 916-992-4404

PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Pray** for the search of a new youth leader of the Association
 - **Pray** for our government and the wisdom for all those who are in power
 - **Pray** for the protection of our children from the depraved influence of the world
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If you have some news you would like to share with others, please send them at pcsbaca@gmail.com.

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