



NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION

FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION

Two of the Association's churches rejoiced in the ordination of new ministers. It was notable that the ministers are brothers of the new, second generation of immigrants. Slavic Baptist Church in Yuba City and Bethel Church had ordinations of young deacons: Vladimir Khokhlov and Dennis Okunev.

For more about these ministries, read in the following articles by I. Mileyev, which are uploaded to the Association's website

- [Ordination at the Yuba City Church](#)
- [Ordination at the Bethel Church](#)



ASSOCIATION'S WOMEN MINISTRY HAS NEW LEADERS

Nina Yurkova who has been the head of the Association's Women Ministry endured a severe sickness after which she requested to be released from this ministry due to the health concerns. On September 11, there was a ZOOM meeting of women representatives from many churches of our Association who gathered to elect a new leader. Alena Mileyeva was elected as the leader, and Nicole Gorban as her assistant. Both women are from Fresno. For more about the process of election and about the plans of the new leader, [read at the Association's website – click here](#).

We are grateful to Nina Alekseyevna Yurkov for her dedicated and sacrificial service in the Women Ministry, and we wish her a quick and full recovery of her health. We also congratulate the newly elected sisters and wish them blessings in their new ministry.



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UPDATES FROM THE EDUCATION MINISTRY

On September 12, the Montebello campus had their teaching session. The Masters program's students began to study the Hebrew Grammar. These students began "the last level" of their education with only a few sessions left. What is left is their Masters' dissertation.

On September 18-19, the Bryte campus had their teaching session of both the Masters and Bachelor's level. The students were instructed in Culturology under the topic of Church and Missions. In October, Leonid Michovich from Belarus is planned to come as an instructor. We ask for your prayers for his arrival to teach the Master's session on October 16 and 17.

Please pray for God's blessing in future hosting of teaching sessions during these difficult times.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The youth finally had an opportunity to have the unhindered fellowship with each other. The fellowship began on Friday evening, and then continued at Folsom Lake the next day. For more about this event and for the plans of the Association's Youth Ministry, [read in an article by P. Makletsov, who is the new ministry leader – click here.](#)



LORD! BLESS AND PROTECT OUR CHILDREN!

If it is difficult for the healthy children to endure the conditions of the quarantine, it is twice as hard for special needs children, handicapped children, and their parents. Many things, to which the children have gotten used to, suddenly disappeared from their lives. They are unable to understand why this is happening, and their fears as well as the disappointment is inevitably expressed making the lives of their parents much harder.

In her article, N. Smolikova, who is the leader of the ministry to children with special needs, talks about how they prepared some gifts for children with special needs. These children are going through the disappointment of the school year that was not able to begin, as well as the cancelled fellowship gatherings at the church. Her [article can be accessed here – click here \(in Russian only.\)](#)



ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT "SALON OF UNFADING BEAUTY"

Over the past 12 years, The Salon of Unfading Beauty has been gathering women from various churches of the Association for mutual prayer, study of God's Word, and encouragement. This year, just like everywhere around the world, certain rules and guidelines had to be followed, but praise God that He is unchangeable, and his promises are also unchangeable for those who trust in Him. That was the focus of the teaching from the Word of God that was presented by Rufina Peychev from Slavic Baptist Church of West Sacramento, and Valentina Kostrikina from Second Slavic Baptist Church, Sacramento. For more about the retreat [read at the Association's website – click here \(in Russian only.\)](#)



Camp Organizers and Participants

THE NEW ISSUE OF THE MAGAZINE IS READY FOR PRINT

This will be the second issue of the God's Vineyard magazine under the new editorial team. The magazine shares a lot of various articles and news from the life of the Association. The leadership of the Association hopes that by increasing the coverage of the information about the life of the Association, it will be possible to increase the demand for the magazine in our churches.

For more about this issue read [an article by the magazine's editor, L. Pavlyuk – click here \(in Russian only.\)](#) To subscribe to this magazine and to send the information for publication, contact: pcsba.divinevineyard@gmail.com.



The magazine page on Facebook

MEETING OF THE STORE'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS

On August 21, The Pacific Thrift Store had another meeting of the Board of directors of the store. During this meeting, they resolved the current challenges that they face as a store. The most important topic was about how to get the store back on track after a forced shutdown due to the COVID-19. For more information, read [in an update by I. Mileyev, which can be located on the website of the Association \(in Russian only.\)](#)



At Our Thrift Store

JESUS ON TRIAL CONFERENCE

October 3 marks the beginning of the long-anticipated Jesus on Trial Conference. The world-famous speakers will present the sessions and it will be possible to listen to them both in Russian and in English. There will be time for questions and answers, as well as to purchase their books with a huge discount. The recordings of the sessions will also be made available for download. To register and find out more information about the conference visit:

- In Russian: <https://jesusontrialconf.ru>
- In English: <https://jesusontrialconf.com>

It will be beneficial for everyone to listen to this conference. It is never too late to grow in knowledge and understanding. Share about this conference at your church, with your children, friends and neighbors.



ASSOCIATION'S RADIO – broadcasts of the past month

ATTENTION Twice a week, on Tuesday and Thursday, from 3:15 pm to 3:30 pm, we broadcast on **87.7 FM**. You can also listen to this radio via the Internet using a direct link - <http://ethno.fm:8500/ethnofm.mp3>.

During the past month, the following programs were aired on the Association's radio – see below. In order to listen to a program of interest, please click on its name. All recordings are in Russian only.

- [Do Miracles Prove the Existence of God? Testimony by O. Nikitin](#)
- [Corona Virus. Do Not Test the Lord of Your God. A. Koliwaiko](#)
- [Why do You Believe in God? What Convinced You that He Exists? Question answered by A. Kalinskiy](#)
- [Russian Speakers at the Jesus on Trial Conference. N. Kostyuk](#)>
- [God's Design for Women. F. Avramenko and I. Kipko](#)
- [Street Evangelism in Southern California. J. Sheremet](#)
- [Why is the Marriage that Begins so well ends up in Disappointment or even Divorce? S. Sipko, O. Askalenok, and B. Zuyev](#)
- [Invitation to the 58th Convention of the Eurasian Federation. Y. Apatov](#)
- [«Amazing Grace, I'm Saved by You». J. Sheremet](#)

UPDATES FROM OUR PARTNERS

PRAYER CONTINUES FOR THOSE IN AUTHORITY

If anyone missed or already forgotten about this announcement in the previous letter, be reminded that the Slavic International Pastors' Association (SIPA) calls everyone to join the 100-day prayer for the authorities, as well as the current situation in our country and in the world. This prayer began at the end of July and will conclude on November 3. The Chairman of SIPA, Nikolay Alekseyevich Bugriyev talks more about it and [his address could be found here \(in Russian only.\)](#)

In order to be included in the schedule of the praying churches and families, and to register the time of your prayer, call (916) 600-4804

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

«THE CHURCH OF THE ALMIGHTY GOD» - CAUTION, DANGEROUS HERESY!

«Northern Thunder» or «Church of the Almighty God» is a fast-growing cult whose proponents pose as Christians, but are actually twisting and rejecting the biblical teaching. The basis for their teaching is the lie that Jesus Christ already came for the second time through reincarnation as a Chinese woman through whom He gave new revelation and teaching for the church. This lie is a bold blasphemy and a dangerous heresy that leads people to destruction!

For more information [visit the Association's website – click here.](#)

"CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD". BEWARE OF THIS BOOK!

Behind the innocuous title of this book by Neale Donald Walsch, distributed through the School Book Clubs, there is a devilish teaching and perverse quotation of the Word of God. For a few examples from this book, see Al Minkoni's article, which is translated into Russian on the Association's website. [Be sure to check out this article - click here.](#)



SYMBOLISM OF THE RED HEIFER IN THE BIBLE

Many people are baffled by the news from Israel about the birth of the red heifer that is prepared for sacrifice with the subsequent cleansing of all Israelites by its ashes. What will come next to Israel, the church, and the world as a whole?

In his sermon about the red heifer, Aleksey Vladimirovich Delkhman who is the church pastor at The House of Prayer in West Sacramento, California,

did not spend too much time on answering these questions, but talked about the symbolism of the red heifer, which is not clear for Israelites even until today. Indeed, this is a very interesting interpretation. Watch the [recording of this sermon on the YouTube channel – click here \(in Russian.\)](#)

THE KIRNEV FAMILY'S MINISTRY IN TANZANIA

The Kirnev Family is a missionary family that is well-known in our churches. Many Christian from different countries including America support their ministry among Muslims. Sergey Kirnev is the leader of this family ministry team, and he sent us the following update.

«Dear brothers, sisters, and co-laborers for God! Praise God and blessings to you for your prayer support. During the evangelism of the population in Tanzania, South Africa, the Lord was glorified and the precious souls were able to find peace with God. Currently we are scheduled to have service in the southeastern part of Turkey and to the South of Bulgaria among these ethnic Turks. The Lord continues to show mercy towards this people. May the glorious name of Jesus Christ be glorified among them, and other nations. We are continually in need of your prayers!»

For more information and pictures about their ministry, visit the [Association's website – click here.](#)



Sergey Kirnev Preaches during the Evangelization

A WELL-KNOWN PASTOR ALEKSANDR IVANOVICH FIRISYUK PASSED AWAY

God's minister, pastor Aleksandr Ivanovich Firisyuk came to be with the Lord. We express our deepest condolences to the family of Aleksandr Firisyuk and to all of the members of



the ECB of Belarus.

To access the synopsis of his biography [click here](#). The memorial service [can be watched on the YouTube channel – click here \(in Russian only.\)](#)

AT THE THRESHOLD OF ELECTION

What should be a Christian's attitude towards the election? Should we participate in it or not? If we should vote, for whom should we vote? Where could we get some advice or recommendations?

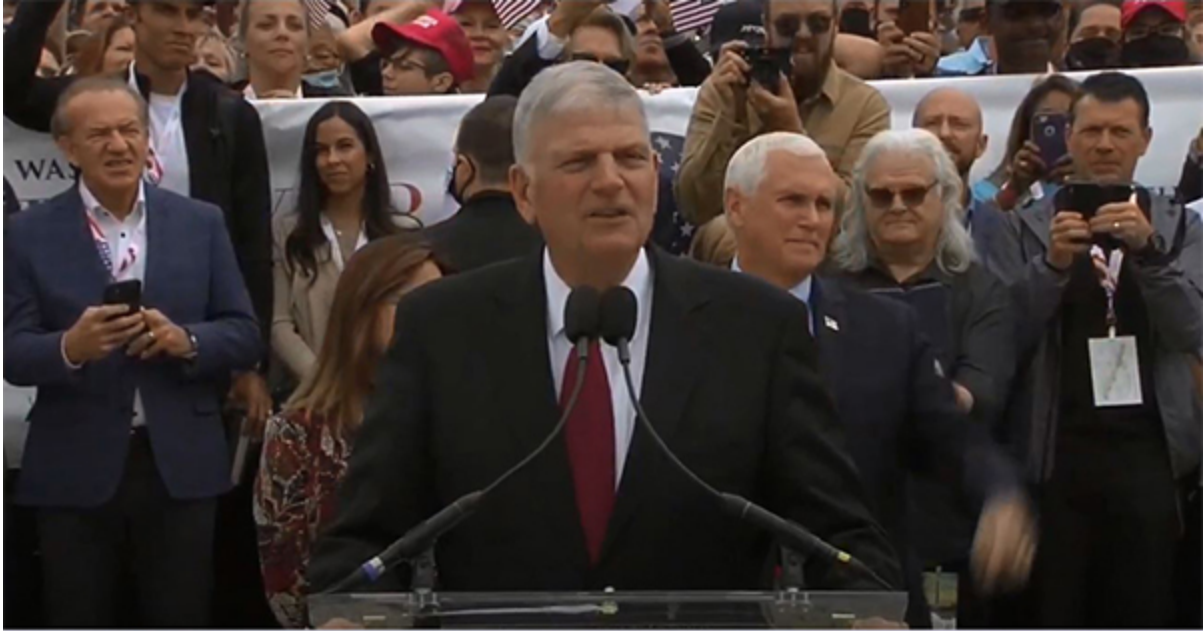
These questions bother many Christians who have not shut themselves up in their own little world, but who observe and are concerned for what is happening in our country. A well-known American pastor, John MacArthur shares about his perspective. To find out about his perspective [visit the website of The Christianity Today – click here](#).

It would be great to listen to the opinions of our Slavic English speaking pastors as well. Why English speaking specifically? Because they are perhaps more knowledgeable about the current situation in America.

PRAYER MARATHON

Tens of thousands of Christians from different denominations and states gathered in Washington DC on September 26 for a prayer marathon. Franklin Grame organized this extraordinary event, and its purpose was prayer for the healing of the country, for the government, for the people of America. God's children still believe in the power of prayer and understand that in this difficult time only He can help us and the country as a whole.

You can watch [the recording of the marathon here](#).



PRAY!

1. About the suitable appointment of Supreme Court justice
2. About the upcoming election in America so that the leader will be the one who will honor God's laws and precepts, and so that he will care for the people of America as well as for peace in our country
3. For the protection of churches and wisdom for the church pastors of America in making the tough decisions

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

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