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MARCH NEWSLETTER - 2024

NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION

CHRIST IS RISEN!

The Association's President and the members of the Executive Committee greet you during the time of this wonderful and joyful holiday season. Christ is Risen! He Is risen indeed!

May the reality of the risen Christ cast out any doubt and lack of faith for many! Through His resurrection, Christ has proven His divinity, His power to forgive sins, and to give everlasting life to those who come to Him! He is the foundation of our salvation! He is the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end! May we worship Him and praise Him as the One who conquered hell and death!

Read a full version of [the greeting of I. Mileyev on the Association's website](#).



"...ye seek Jesus, the Nazarene, who hath been crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold, the place where they laid him!" (Mark 16:6)

Hallelujah!
Christ is Risen!



MEETING OF PCSBA'S PASTORS

On February 24, 2024, there was another meeting of pastors of the Association's churches at Bryte Church in West Sacramento. The first part of the program was dedicated to seminars on evangelism and the role of senior pastors in developing the culture and the atmosphere of evangelism in local churches. The second part of the program was taught by guests from Russia and Ukraine. [More details...](#)



MEETING OF PCSBA'S PASTORS IN THE SOUTHERN REGION

On March 16, the Slavic Evangelical Church in Montebello hosted a meeting for pastors of the southern region and their wives. The church of Montebello, with the leadership of Valeriy Olegovich Konopelkin, is always hospitable to guests. Similar

meetings are needed to continue strengthening relationships, sharing experiences, and growing in partnership with the Association's leadership. [More details... \(in Russian only\)](#).



REVITALIZATION OF THE LITERATURE MINISTRY OF THE ASSOCIATION



Peter Petrovich Panasenko

Over the course of many years, the literature ministry of the Association was headed by Adolph Andreyevich Pikhay – a man of incredible intellect, dedication, and hard work. Over time, because of some health issues, he stopped doing this ministry, and since then, the literature ministry became inactive. However, at the end of February, PCSBA's committee decided to resume the ministry of this department under the leadership of Peter Panasenko! We thank Peter Petrovich and wish him God's blessings in the ministry of this department! For more about the vision and plans of this department, [read an article by P. Panasenko](#) (in Russian only).

FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF GREENVILLE CHURCH

In January, 2024 the Spring of Life Bible Church celebrated the first anniversary of their church in Greenville, South Carolina. Andrey Bondarenko and his wife Natalya were guest participants of this joyful celebration. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



Mikhail Nikolayevich
Chrenkov

INTERVIEW WITH A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

In his interview with S. Iotko, Mikhail Chrenkov, Doctor of theology, member of the Association's Executive Committee, and pastor of the Revival Church, identified many positive tendencies in the ministry of the Association. He also pointed out some things that the Executive Committee should be paying attention to in order to continue growing in their ministry. [More details...](#)

FIFTEEN-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF MOMS IN PRAYER MINISTRY

On March 9, 2024, the Moms in Prayer Ministry celebrated their 15th anniversary, which coincided with the anniversary of the Moms in Prayer at Bryte Church. About 150 people from Bryte Church and other churches of the Association attended this prayer event and their celebration. The President of PCSBA, Ivan Vladimirovich Mileyev, was also invited to this event, and his wife Yelena was the main speaker of this event. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



HUSBAND AND WIFE AS PARENTS WITH FORWARD THINKING

On March 13, the Cornerstone Church had a family conference with the theme of “Husband and Wife as Parents with Forward Thinking.” The speaker is a well-known theologian and professor at the Christian Theological University of Moldova, Aleksandr Gyrbu. Many of the newly immigrated families who are just getting to know Christian values were able to attend as well. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



MEETING WITH JAKE RUDKOVSKIY

On February 12, Forward Church of Irvine, CA had an informative meeting with Dr. of Theology, Jake Rudkovskiy about the opportunities for theological education at Baptist Theological Seminary at New Orleans. The information was important for those who are interested in higher education, specifically in getting the B.A. Masters' or Doctorate degrees. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



Doctor of Theology, J. Rudkovskiy

EVENING OF HONORING ANDREY NEYFIELD

On February 25, Second Slavic Church in Sacramento hosted an evening honoring poet Andrey Neyfield. This event was organized by the Association's Music and Choir ministry. The author presented two volumes of his poems titled, "In the Lines and between the Lines," and "Time to Gather the Stones." [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



Photo with the poet, composers, and singers

TOGETHER FOREVER

On March 5, Grace Family Church hosted a family evening with the theme, "Together Forever." The event's speaker was a well-known and influential speaker, Pastor Yevgeniy Bakhmutskiy. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



"WOMAN'S SEASONS"

On February 24, Mission Boulevard Baptist Church, Hayward, hosted a conference with a theme of "Woman's Seasons." Women of various ages and churches came to

this event. There were four speakers who talked about how God is acting in different seasons of a Christian woman's life, and what they should anticipate in these seasons. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



Conference Speakers

STRONG FAMILY

Strong Family is the theme of an evening of fellowship that took place at Grace Ave. Bible Church on February 17, 2024. Over 50 married couples were able to attend this event. The main idea of the evening was to show the secret of strong relationships within a family. The main speaker was Pastor Vladimir Troshin. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



Activity assignment – write a love letter to your spouse

ANNUAL DINNER OF A “HEALTHY CHRISTIAN WOMAN” MINISTRY”

On March 8, 2024, Second Slavic Baptist Church in Sacramento had their fourth women’s seminar of the “Healthy Christian Woman” ministry. Over 180 women were able to attend this event. This year, the speaker was Ion Keptene – pastor, missionary, and well-known athlete, who through his sport was able to bring many people to the Lord. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



PACIFIC THRIFT STORE - DONATION CENTER IS OPENED UP

The store continues to serve the Missionary Ministry of PCSBA and is accepting donations. Recently the store opened up a Donation Center, which is located to the right of the store and is open daily. We want to remind you that thanks to the work of Pacific Thrift Store, the Association has an opportunity to support 13 missionaries on a regular basis. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



MISSIONARY NEWS

NEWS FROM TORREVIEJA

Pastor of the Light of Life Church in Torrevieja, (Alicante), Spain, Viktor Kovba, sent an update in his newsletter where he says the following:

“Dear brothers and sisters, we greet you in the love of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! I want to express our sincerest gratitude from me personally and from our church for your continued support of our church, your help, and your prayers. Your dedicated service and fellowship with us bring us a lot of blessings...”

[The whole letter can be read here \(in Russian only\).](#)

FROM COUNTERFEITER TO BECOMING A PASTOR

A person with an unusual past, who was a counterfeiter and famous criminal in the time of the USSR, received the Lord Jesus Christ and then became a pastor and evangelist. Viktor Ivanovich Sikorskiy was able to visit Sacramento in February.

Together with the assistant of the head of the Association's Missionary Ministry, V. Khripunov, he participated in teaching seminars in street evangelism, developing evangelism in various places, and in the local churches. He is an ordained pastor and an evangelist through the prison ministry in Ukraine. He also shared about this ministry during the times of war. To access recordings of his testimony and resources, click links below. All recordings are in Russian only.

- [Short repentance testimony](#). More comprehensive testimony [at the New Hope Church](#).
- About Prison Ministry in Ukraine. [Part 1](#) | [Part 2](#).



USEFUL SEMINARS

PREDESTINATION – CALVINISM

The question of predestination, especially so-called “double predestination,” is interesting for many Christians. The churches are divided because of disagreements over this question, and sometimes church members have many misunderstandings and concerns about this theology. A.I. Gyrbu, pastor and instructor of the Theological University in Moldova, shared his findings about this issue during his time at the New Hope Church. The recording of this seminar can be found [on the church's YouTube channel](#). [Click this link](#). The seminar begins at the 14:48 mark. The recording is in Russian only.



Прямая трансляция



Александр Гырбу

Предопределение - Кальвинизм

12 Марта 7:00 pm
10720 Coloma Rd. Rancho Cordova, 95670

IS YOUR CHURCH GROWING OR DYING?

How can you tell if your local church is growing or dying? During a three-day seminar at the New Hope Church, Vladimir Omelchuk, a well-known Ukrainian pastor and speaker, and author of materials in missionary ministry and evangelism, talked about detailed models of growing churches and dying churches. He also presented methods on revitalization and recovery from the passivity and reactivity of the local church. The recordings of the seminars can be found here (in Russian only):



- [Part One: "Principles and Models of Evangelism"](#)
- [Part Two: "Small Groups and Discipleship Groups"](#)
- [Part Three: "So that you and your posterity may be well: perspectives for the future"](#)

NEWS FROM OUR PARTNERS

PROCLAIMING TRUE BELIEFS

The Word of God is still living and active in the lives of those who have dedicated their lives to serving Christ, and those who hear His word through them. That is what Vasiliy Filat, president of Eurasia Precept Ministry, talks about in his newsletter. [Click this link to read the letter \(in Russian only\).](#)

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

On March 6-9, the Word of Grace Church in WA hosted a conference about spiritual warfare. Many pastors and leaders from the Association were able to attend this conference. The speakers were invited from the U.S., Ukraine, and Russia. The seminars were very practical: “The Reality of Spiritual Warfare,” “Spiritual Warfare in Ministry,” “How to Resist the Enemy?,” “The Strategy of the Devil in the Church,” “Demons Attacking Pastors,” and more. To watch all 11 seminars, [visit this YouTube channel, click this link](#). All recordings are in Russian only.



PRAYER REQUEST FROM ISRAEL

The pastors in Israel are asking us to support them by praying for the following:

“During the month of March, we have street evangelism in various cities

and villages proclaiming the Messiah, the Savior – Jesus Christ! It is a spiritual warfare for the people’s souls. There are many enemies, those who show apathy, atheists, zealots for the law, and various worldly mindsets.

We need intensified prayer for the cleansing and forgiveness of sins of the nation. May many hearts in Israel and in every place where the message of Christ is preached turn to Him! Grace upon grace to you!”

EVENTS



FOR CHURCHES OF THE NORTHERN REGION

On April 6, the head of the Association's Prison Ministry, Viktor Butayev, will host a conference about "Preaching the Gospel in Prisons." The conference will take place at Seattle Slavic Baptist Church at: 1900 North 175th St, Shoreline, WA 98133.

Everyone who wishes to participate or organize a prison ministry is welcome to attend. For questions, contact Sergej Bystritskiy at: (425) 345-2393.

SPECIFICALLY FOR THE CHURCHES OF THE WASHINGTON REGION

The Association’s Sunday School Ministry will have a conference at the Spring of Life Church at 4711 116th Street, SW Mukilteo, WA 98275.

The conference is intended for those who are serving in the Sunday School ministry. With questions, reach out to Zhanna Yanovskiy: (916) 798-5838, zhanna22@yahoo.com.



   

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«...достигая наконец верю вашу спасения душ»
1-Петра 1:9

springoflifechurchru.com

CALM DURING THE TIME OF STORM

Women are invited to the women's conference which will take place at the Second Slavic Baptist Church in Sacramento on **April 12-13, 2024**. The theme of the conference will be: "Calm during the Time of Storm." Speakers: Mariya Gusenkova, Larisa Gidenko, and Arina Glazko.

For more about the conference, registration, and schedule, [read on the Association's website – click this link](#). With questions, contact Oksana: (916) 308-8365.



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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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