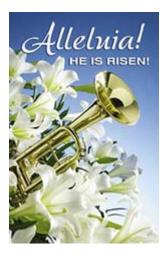
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NEWS OF THE DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION

THE PRESIDENT'S CONGRATULATION



Ivan Vladimirovich Mileyev, the President of the Association wishes all the churches and ministers of the association, our partners, and various church unions a happy Easter, celebration of Christ's resurrection. <u>Text of his address can</u> <u>be found here</u>.

The celebratory letters addressed to the Association and its leadership

can be found here.

SESSION IN ITALY

The next educational session of the Institute of Ministry "Blagovest" took place on March 25th and 26th in Naples, Italy. This is a fourth session of the scheduled 12 sessions. The class consisted of 18 people who are representatives of three churches from Naples, Aversa, and Rome. During this session led by Aleksandr Pronin, the students learned the subject of "Theology" – teaching about the Holy Spirit and angels. The next session is planned for May teaching on "Survey of the Old Testament".

Please pray for this program and its students.



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Please pray for this program and its students.



The Students and Teachers

NEW PROGRAM FOR MASTER OF DIVINITY DEGREE

In accordance with established educational programs, Institute of Ministry "Blagovest" in partnership with the Moscow Theological Seminary announces the recruitment of students for the degree in "Master of Divinity" or "Master of Arts", Level D.

The program will be in Russian with the participation of the teachers from Moscow Theological Seminary and Institute of Ministry "Blagovest", as well as new teachers from the US and Europe who are not part of the "Blagovest" Institute.

For more information visit the Association's website – click here (In Russian only).

Pray for the persecuted Christians in the Muslim countries

- Pray for our brothers and sisters in South Sudan, about their physical and spiritual needs, about the peace in their country, and for the blessing of Pastor Edward Dima.
- Pray for our missionaries who share the gospel in California and throughout the U.S.
- Beginning this summer, from May to July, the Association will have a lot of conferences and mission and children camps. Pray for the blessing on all the plans and events.

BAPTISM IN SAN JOSE

On March 25, Grace Family Church held the first baptism in their branch in San Jose. Ago 5 years, a group of dedicated brothers and sisters did outreach in this city and had services in San Jose at the First Baptist Church, Campbell.

For details about this celebration, click here. (In Russian only)





The New Church Members with Pastor Vasiliy Khripunov

MISSIONARY TRAINING

On Saturday, April 1, the Power in Truth department hosted a training titled "How to Hear without a Preacher?" . Pastors Yuriy Senchenko and Konstantin Goncharov taught 4 sessions defining who is a missionary and how he serves for the Kingdom of God while raising up the disciples. Those who wish to share the gospel, and those who wish to join one of the missionary teams heard about the local, as well as the international ministry opportunities. The training session was full of glory to God for what He does through His disciples, with lessons about what each disciple of Christ is called for. It also provided a lot of opportunities for the fellowship of friends.

Read the full article here.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE ASSOCIATION'S MISSIONARIES

News – Missionary News part of the <u>Association's website</u> has a few new sections where you can find information about the PCSBA missionaries, read their reports, and get acquainted with the world mission news.

CHURCH OF CASTRO VALLEY'S LIFE

Nina Yurkova tells a short story about life of the Slavic Evangelical Christian Baptist Church in Castro Valley - <u>read it here (In Russian only)</u>.





After the Women Conference

EASTER CELEBRATION BY THE GROUP IN PALO ALTO

A small group of local residents of Palo Alto has been gathering for about three years. Each Sunday at about 4:00 pm a group from Bryte's Church in Sacramento comes and leads a service. April 16 was a special Easter celebration.

Read an article by Vadim Yurchak on the Association's website - <u>click here (In Russian</u> <u>only)</u>.

SUMMER CAMPS VBS AT THE FIRST SLAVIC CHURCH

Soon children will start their summer break. Some of them will go to church camps, while others for some reasons will have to spend their summer break at home watching TV or playing video games. But how can we make the summer break useful and memorable for children?

Yana Zaharneva who is in charge of the Vacation Bible Study (VBS) in First Slavic Church will share a little about that- <u>read an article on this page (In Russian only.)</u>.



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In the Camp

NEWS FROM VARIOUS PLACES

MISSION "WORD TO RUSSIA" TURNED 45!

April 22 апреля the Mission celebrated their 45 year anniversary of their ministry. Over 150 people attended this celebratory service which took place at the Russian Baptist Church of Bryte. Those who were a part of this Mission, various sponsors of the Mission's ministry, as well as guests reviewed the history of the Mission: how this ministry began, developed, and what was accomplished during these 45 years. There were performers of the music academy which is part of the Mission. A lot of positive progress was made as a result of this ministry and we wish them further blessings in serving God and people.

For more about this Mission read in what was the invitation to this celebration - <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

ANNUAL SHEPHERDS CONFERENCE IN LOS ANGELES

The annual Shepherds Conference which takes place at Grace Community Church, Sun Valley, CA with Dr. of Theology Pastor John MacArthur is becoming very popular among the Russian churches and their ministers. In his interview with Emily Gusev, Pastor Joseph Sheremet shares his impressions about the conference - <u>read the article here (In Russian only)</u>.

HELP REQUEST FROM OUR MINISTRY PARTNER MISSION EURASIA

On Friday, April 22 after a severe two day snowstorm, the roof of a Moldavian church named "Church without Walls" (CWW) collapsed on top of the equipment and everything that was in the building. This was also a location of the so-called "School without Walls" (SWW). Luckily, no one was harmed but the damage was severe.

On April 23rd the church held a service under the open skies. Mission Eurasia is asking everyone for help in this an emergency situation.

Read the article here.

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SUUTH SUDAN IS IN DANGER OF FAMINE

By God's providence, many churches of our Association got to know Pastor Edward Dima who is a President of the South Sudan Baptist Union - shared the catastrophic Sudanese's situation during his visit to Sacramento. Two months ago, the government of South Sudan announced that the area of that part of Sudan is in a current state of famine. In May through June the country is going through "lean season" during which the famine will intensify. In accordance with a report by UNICEF, over 5 million of Sudanese, or half of the population of South Sudan will face a serious shortage of food supply, and over a millions of children will suffer from severe malnutrition.

Pastor E. Dima requests us to help them in any way that we can. You can offer your assistance through <u>our missionary department website</u> - South Sudan Ministry.

Information about the South Sudan's situation is taken from the Mission Network website. <u>Full article can be found here.</u>

EVENTS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- On Saturday, April 29 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm Slavic Baptist Church of West Sacramento (1716 Willow Ave, West Sacramento, CA 95691) will hold a seminar "How Can a Church Help Handicapped People?". Seminar cost: \$15 (lunch and resources provided), registration on the website <u>http://limitlessloves.org/main</u> -Serving Special Needs at Church Seminar. Speakers: Donnell Kenworthy (Joni and Friends ministry), Darrell Kenworthy (pastor who has a handicapped child), Natalya Smolikova, Vladimir Terzi, and Irina Panibratets. For seminar's topics, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>. Everyone is welcome. For questions contact Natalya Smolikova (916) 833-5510.
- Special Need Children Ministry department will hold a celebration service " Special Needs Family Day " on May 6, from с 11 ам до 2 рм. Location: Civic Center Galleria. Address: 1110 West Capitol Ave, West Sacramento 95691. Registration: on the website <u>limitlessloves.org</u> - look for Special Needs Family Day event. Everyone is welcome. For more information - <u>click here</u>.
- You are invited to a children's ministry conference which will take place on May 13 at the Russian Baptist Church, Bryte: 1000 Sacramento Ave, West Sacramento, CA 95605. Speaker - Cheslav Basara. For more details visit the Association's website - <u>click here</u>).
- AWANA Ministry will hold a conference at Russian Baptist Church, Bryte on May 13, 15-16. Church address is 1000 Sacramento Ave, West Sacramento, CA 95605. Speaker – a well-known pastor from Poland - Cheslav Basara. For details about this conference, registration, and payment <u>read here</u>. Informational flyer -<u>click here</u>.

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 May 26-29 Sierra Pines Camp will host a family retreat "Family for the Glory of God". Main speaker – Sergey Tarasenko. Check in on May 26 at 2:00 pm, checkout on May 29 by 3:00 pm. The retreat's program will include spiritually edifying services with the involvement of families and speakers, family games, hikes, and crafts.

More information is provided on the Association's website.

- "Don't Waste Your Life" is the name of a conference of the Russian-Ukrainian Union taking place June 1-3. For details about the conference, the speakers, and registration, visit the conference's website <u>https://youthconference.us/</u>.There are no limitations in age, but the registration is required.
- A trip to South Sudan is planned to assist the Sudanese churches. Those who want to join, please contact Alex Serin by phone 916-202-5074.

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

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