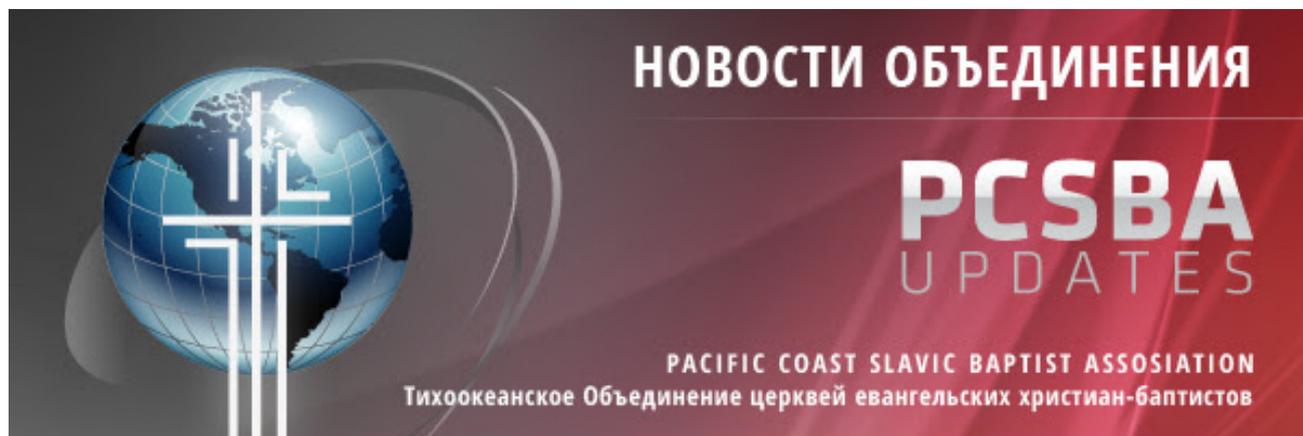


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## **JUNE NEWSLETTER - 2025**

**NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION**

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### **PASTORS MEETING OF THE PCSBA SOUTHERN REGION**

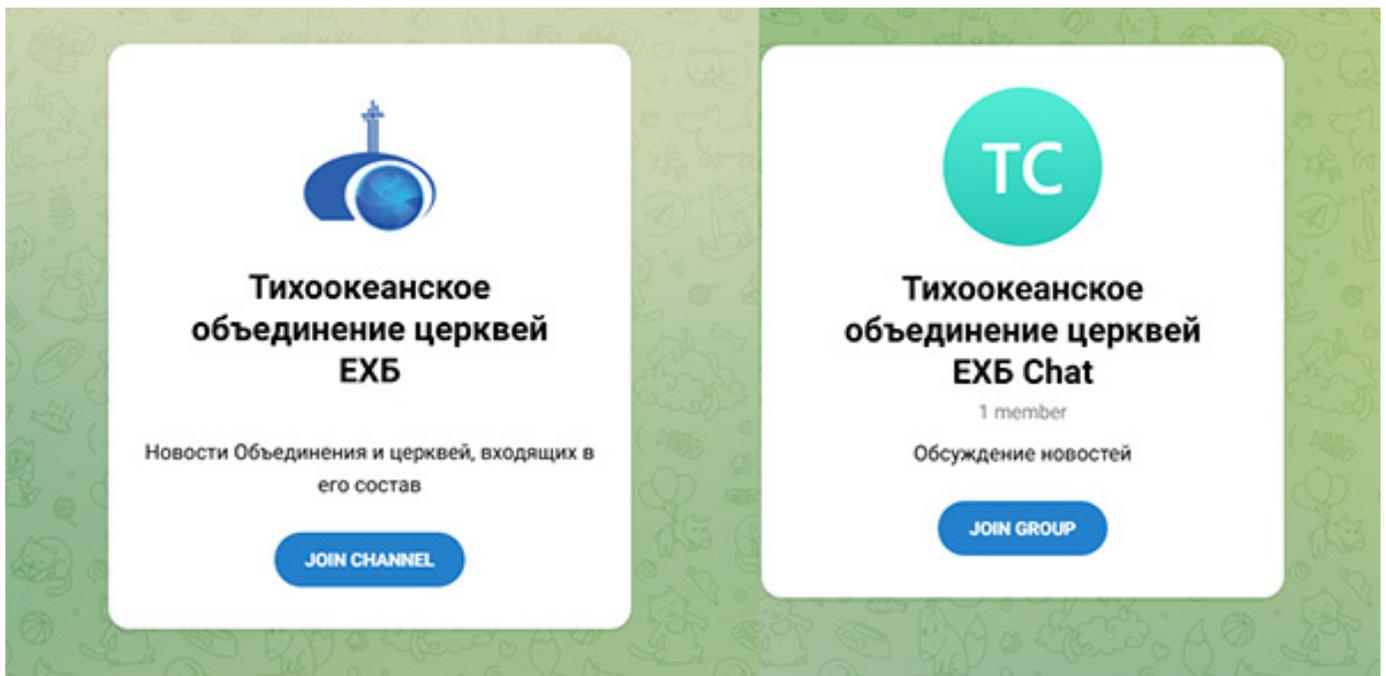
On May 31, Evangelical Christian Church of Montebello hosted a meeting for the pastors of the PCSBA southern region. Every local church had their own representative at this meeting. There were a lot of seminars on various issues related to pastoral ministry. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



*Pastors of churches in the southern region*

## **WE ARE ON TELEGRAM!**

The Pacific Coast Slavic Baptist Association created a Telegram channel in April. For some, communicating through Telegram is slowly replacing email, Viber, Facebook, and other social media interactions. Due to their requests, the PCSBA channel was created. The channel address is as follows: <https://t.me/pcsbaca>, and the channel is open for everyone. To join the channel, please click this link: <https://t.me/+PI9fuFhsXxw2YzNh>. In the group attached to the channel, you can comment on articles and share your suggestions and information. To join the group, please click on the group invite link - <https://t.me/+nJFOV05yk4c5YjU5>. Welcome! Join us!



## NEW ISSUE OF THE GOD'S VINEYARD MAGAZINE

Dear subscribers! Soon you will have another issue of the *God's Vineyard* magazine in your hands. It is full of useful and inspiring information. Even the cover of the magazine has a way of encouraging the readers. Read the words of Jesus Christ through the prophet Isaiah: "Do not fear, for I am with you" — this carries an amazing promise, and is able to comfort and give strength. For more about the magazine, [read an article by the magazine's editor, L. Pavlyuk \(in Russian only\).](#)

## IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF A CREATIVE CONFERENCE – A PASTOR-POET

More than 30 people attended the Creative Arts Conference in May. As it turns out, all of them had some kind of talent. Some wrote poetry, some wrote prose, others painted pictures. Among all of these talented people was a pastor from the House of Prayer Church, Aleksandr Ivanov, who by his own admission, is an aspiring poet. We asked this extraordinary pastor a few



questions. [Read an interview with him on the Association's website \(in Russian only\).](#)

## NEWS FROM MINNESOTA

By God's grace, and thanks to the joint efforts of brothers and sisters, the long-awaited remodeling project of the Transfiguration Church in Minnetonka, MN is now over. This was a difficult but blessed journey. Laboring together day and night, the members of the church tried to create a warm, bright, and welcoming atmosphere at the house of God – a place where they can joyfully serve the Lord and each other. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



*Mother's Day celebration*

## THE HEART OF A LEADER

On April 12, youth leaders from various churches came together for a seminar at the Living Stones Church in Sacramento. The event became a powerful practical training, and challenged the leaders about how they live their lives and how they serve. The main speaker was a pastor from Tacoma, Vasily Stupin, and a youth pastor from Sacramento, Julian Tsimbal. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



## SUMMER BASH

On the last day of Spring, May 31, the youth of the United Movement had a refreshing time at Discovery Park's Summer Bash. This day became both a celebration and a time of spiritual refreshment for those who are about to start Summer School. The event was designed with the intent to give the youth a time of rest, have fun, and fellowship with God and each other. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



*Preparation for fellowship*

## MINISTERING TO CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

The ministry to children with special needs had a number of interesting gatherings. On May 3, Bryte Church hosted a time of fellowship for families with special needs children, and on May 18 the Sunday School had their end-of-the-year celebration. These meetings are needed not just for the children, but also for their parents. Both groups wait in anticipation for other opportunities to fellowship with each other, to be encouraged, and to support each other through such difficulties in their lives. [Read more details in an article by N. Smolikova \(in Russian only\).](#)



*End-of-the-year celebration*

## THE HEAVENS ARE REJOICING ON THIS DAY

“The heavens are rejoicing with us today” - these were the opening words of the special church service for five young men who decided to dedicate their lives to follow Christ and be baptized. The baptism took place at Grace Avenue Bible Church, and brought many guests, parents, and other brothers and sisters in Christ. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



*Five new members were added to the Church*

## **PRAYER RETREAT**

On May 22 to 24, Revival Baptist Church in Vancouver, WA had a prayer retreat focusing on understanding God's will about the future. Over forty people attended this event. While praying and fasting, the ministry leaders shared their thoughts about what God is doing in their midst in four critical areas: in leadership of the church, in internal development (language, cultural, generational), in music ministry, and in opportunities for missions. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



## **DAY OF A NEW BEGINNING**

On June 1, Second Slavic Baptist Church in Sacramento had a special baptism church service. This special day marked a milestone in the lives of fifteen young people who dedicated their hearts and lives to the Lord. Among them were eight young men and seven young women who decided to testify about their relationship with God before their parents, friends, members of the church, and guests. This was a day of a new beginning on their journey of following Christ. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



*New church members are in the first row in white*

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN**

Grace Family Church has had two amazing weeks that will certainly remain in the memory of children, church members, and guests for many years to come! From June 7 to 16, they had their annual Vacation Bible School (VBS), which brought together an entire church in serving children. The children were able to learn about the life of Christ beginning with His birth and going all the way to the Second Coming. [More details...](#)



*VBS wasn't just impressive in their teaching curriculum, but also in their decorations!*

## **AWANA GRADUATION**

On May 11, Second Slavic Baptist Church in Sacramento had their AWANA graduation. This was a joyful time not just for the children, but also for their mentors. AWANA is a Christian program for kids and teens with a goal of providing spiritual instruction and growth through various activities, games, and Bible studies. [More details...](#) (in Russian only).



*One of the graduating classes...*

## **WOMEN'S MINISTRY AT THE GOOD NEWS CHURCH**

On the morning of May 31, the women of Good News Church came together to fellowship at the Ladies Latte. The event was in English and was open for everyone, including colleagues, neighbors, and friends. About fifty women of various ages were able to come to this meeting. [Read more details in an article by Karina Gorash.](#)



*Growing in knowledge and fellowship*

## **GPS FAMILY CELEBRATION**

On Saturday, May 31, Second Slavic Church in Sacramento hosted a special event for immigrants, GPS, what stands for «Give People Support». This was a warm and joyful occasion which attracted a lot of families, friends, and guests. This meeting was a true gift for those who recently came to the U.S. and are looking for support, fellowship, and new friends. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



*This is not just a game! It is a time of learning!*

## **FATHER'S DAY FOR FATHERS OF SPECIAL CHILDREN**

The international Father's Day is celebrated every third Sunday of June. This year, it took place on June 15. Our group of children with special needs in Sacramento were eagerly anticipating this day. In the heart of every one of these children, their fathers have a very special place. After all, he is the head, an example, and a support for the entire family. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



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## MISSIONS NEWS

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### **YOUTH CHOIR PREACHING AT MORAGA AND WALNUT CREEK**

Those of us who have never tried sharing the Gospel with a stranger have probably never experienced the fear that the youth choir from Grace Family Church have experienced. This was their first visit to Moraga and Walnut Creek, during which they were able to witness to people on the streets, and then served at the Spring Church in Moraga, where Aleksey Kharlamov is the pastor. But how much joy and satisfaction these youth have experienced as a result of fulfilling this evangelistic task! [More details...](#)



*Church service*

## **NATURAL EVANGELISM IN PRACTICE**

For Vasily Khripunov, who serves in the Mission department of the Association, summer began in South Carolina. During the week that he stayed there, he was able to visit four churches and have three training seminars on how to evangelize naturally. After finishing the seminar at the fourth church, he took the people into the city to demonstrate evangelism in practice. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



*Close to 70 people who attended the seminar went to the park to preach the Gospel*

## SPECIAL CELEBRATION AT THE LIGHT OF LIFE CHURCH

This day became very special and unforgettable for the entire spiritual family at Torrevieja, Spain. On May 25, the Light of Life Church celebrated their four-year anniversary. It was a time of reflecting on God’s faithfulness, His guidance, and the unwavering grace of God every step of the way. They also had their baptism celebration, and welcomed four more people into their local church. [More details...](#) [\(in Russian only\).](#)



*The Church continues to grow!*

## YOUTH CONFERENCE IN SPAIN

“Living according to a Worthy Goal” — this was the theme of the first youth conference for Slavic churches in Spain. The youth came from Torrevieja, Valencia, Barcelona, Saragoza, Seville, one girl was from France, two girls from London, and a few people from Poland. The conference took place on May 30 to June 1. During these three days, God did more than we were asking for. [More details...](#)



*Participants of the first ever youth conference in Spain*

## **OUR GOD IS THE GOD WHO HEARS US AND HELPS US!**

Almost half a year has passed since systematic classes with Mugat gypsy children began in the south of Uzbekistan. Those who regularly came to the classes learned a lot about God. Including what the holiday they, as Muslims, celebrated in May meant – Kurban-Khait, the Feast of Sacrifice, one of the two main holidays in Islam, when each family was obliged to sacrifice a ram. [More details. \(in Russian only\).](#)



*Pastor Shukhrat talks about the meaning of sacrifice...*

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## **USEFUL INFORMATION**

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## ONLINE BIBLE INSTITUTE

If you are interested in a theological education for personal spiritual growth, BBN is exactly what you need. BBN stands for “Bible Broadcasting Network”, “Сеть Библейского Вещания” in Russian. Their website is accessible in multiple languages, including Russian. It also has a radio broadcast around the clock, has links to their Bible institute, and offers the following courses: “Bible Doctrines”, “Christian Life and Family”, “Books of the Bible”, “Bible Characters”, “Training Courses”, and have hundreds of audio lectures. There are even more resources in English. You can also order their business cards for free to distribute to anyone who wants to get acquainted with the Gospel through radio broadcasting.

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## UPDATE FROM EUROPE

Ilya Danilyuk, who is the coordinator of the Movement of Evangelical Churches of Europe, shares about the 15th summit of NRC-EBF in his newsletter. The summit took place on March 25 to 28 in Turkey, as well as the European congress of evangelists which took place at the end of May in Berlin. [More details... \(in Russian only\)](#).



*Summit participants*

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## NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

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### SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION IN DALLAS

On June 9 to 11, The Southern Baptist Convention had another convention. General information about the convention, the issues raised and their decisions, as well as the reports of the main ministries of the SBC: NAMB and IMB, and much more can be found on the official news source of the SBC, at their website: <https://www.baptistpress.com/>. In his article about this convention, the president of the PCSBA talks about the uniqueness of this convention for the pastors of Slavic churches in the U.S. [More details...](#)



*Participants of the Slavic gathering*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### ANNUAL UNITED YOUTH CAMP

The registration of the Camp United, which will take place from August 29 to September 1, is now open.

**Theme:** “Pursuit of Happiness”

**Speaker:** Andrey Sava

**Location:** Tannery Gulch Campground. **Address:** Tannery Gulch Road Trinity Center, CA 96091

**Registration link:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/camp-united-2025-tickets-1390998276289>

**Registration dates:**

- Early registration: \$75 (until June 29)
- Normal registration: \$85 (until August 3)
- Late registration: \$95 (until August 28)
- At the door registration: \$120



## **WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN CAMP, SALON OF IMPERISHABLE BEAUTY**

The registration to the Salon of Unfading Beauty is now open.

This year's topic: "God of the Covenant" (Isaiah 54:106, Luke 22:20).

Speakers: Alena Mileyeva and Tatyana Nikora

Camp dates: September 19–21, 2025

Camp Location: Zephyr Point Conference Center, 660 US-50, Zephyr Cove, NV  
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[Registration – click this link.](#)

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