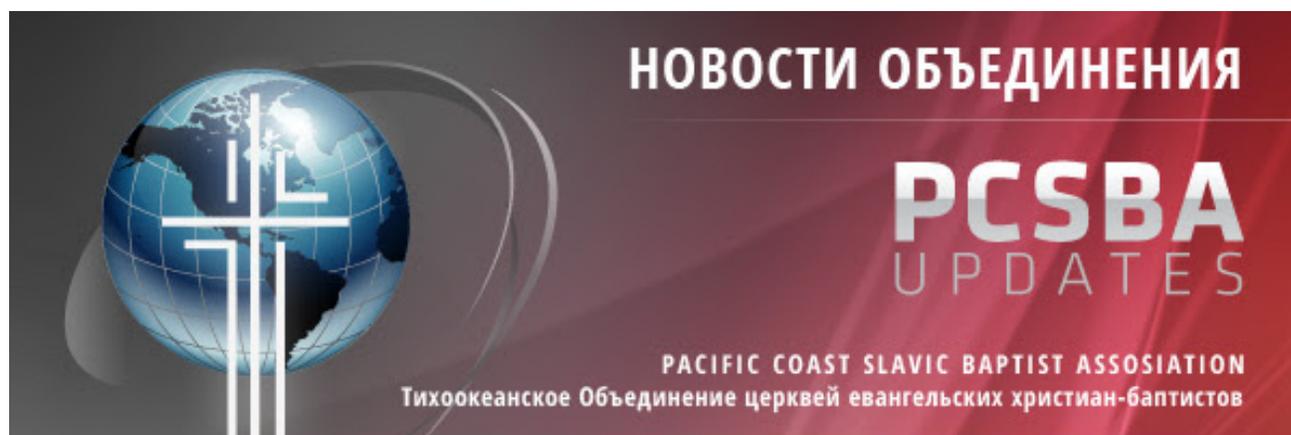


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NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION

PREPARATION FOR THE 87TH PCSBA CONVENTION

The preparations for the upcoming annual convention usually begin in August. The 87th PCSBA convention will be a business convention where the Association's delegates will have an opportunity to vote for the change in leadership, including the new president and vice-president, as well as the members of the Executive Committee of the PCSBA. Not a lot of people realize that the preparations for the convention require a lot of effort from many people. [Read more details on the Association's website.](#)

MEETING OF PCSBA MINISTRY LEADERS

On August 15, the leaders of the PCSBA's ministries had an opportunity to have another one of their ministry meetings at the Association's office. During the meeting, the leaders of ministries had a chance to report on the work that has been done over the last two months, as well as to discuss some of the issues related to the convention's preparations. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



PCSBA PASTORS' MEETING

On August 16, Bryte Church hosted the PCSBA pastors' conference. During the meeting they had a chance to listen to a number of seminars on various issues of theology and practical Christian life. [More details.... \(in Russian only\).](#)



Participants of the PCSBA pastors' conference

TEN-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE ENGLISH SERVICE

On June 8, Bryte Church celebrated the 10-year anniversary of their English service. For more about how this ministry began and grew over the years, and to find out

about the challenges that the pastors encountered, please check out an interview with their senior pastor, I.P. Dronov, and the pastor of English services, P.S. Kondrashov. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)

Bryte
CHURCH

10 Years

**Of Serving the Lord Through
Our English Language Service**



NEWS FROM THE EDUCATION MINISTRY

Despite the heat of the summer, the ministry of the Blagovest Institute of Ministry continued to have teaching sessions in California and in Spain. The students are taking classes on the AA and BA levels in both Russian and English. For more information, read an article by A. Pronin, who is overseeing the Institute and the Association's Education Ministry – [click this link \(in Russian only\).](#)



Aleksandr Gunko is teaching a Bachelor's level class at Second Slavic Baptist Church

PCSBA RADIO MINISTRY

With the support of the First Slavic Baptist Church in Sacramento, the Association's Radio Ministry has been airing regular programs for many years now. Twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays, between 2:15p.m. and 2:30p.m., at 87.7FM, the audience has a chance to hear sermons, ministry updates of the Association, and a lot of testimonies from evangelists and missionaries. For more about the importance of this ministry, find out from the leader of the Association's Radio Ministry, I. Voronov. [More details...\(in Russian only\).](#)



Meeting at the studio of First Slavic Baptist Church in Sacramento

PASTOR ORDINATION

On August 17, Mission Boulevard Baptist Church of Hayward had a special church service when they ordained Michael Kharchenko as a pastor. It was joyful to see how young men who speak two languages are dedicating themselves to ministry! [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



FAITH. FREEDOM. FUTURE.

From June 26 to 29, the youth of Grace Avenue Bible Church, Living Stones Church, and the House of the Gospel Church came together at beautiful Rollings Lake to spend a weekend of fellowship, worship, and fun. The camp was dedicated to a series of sermons with the theme of: “Faith, Freedom, Future”, and was taught by Pastor Gary Ball, who used to be a pastor at Grace Avenue Bible Church. [More details...](#)



MEN'S PRAYER RETREAT

On July 26, Grace Family Church had a special prayer retreat. Close to 60 fathers and sons gathered at the church early in the morning, and after receiving some instructions, went to San Francisco, where they were able to ride an old tramcar and have a lot of time together in prayer and fellowship. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



This is what a 150-year-old tramcar looks like!

REACHING THE ENDS OF THE WORLD WITHOUT LEAVING CALIFORNIA

From July 13 to 17, Second Slavic Baptist Church had a special children's camp at the beautiful Sugarloaf Camp, where they had an "IBolit" retreat for 110 children. Out of those in attendance, almost three fourths came from unchurched families who came to the United States from Ukraine and Russia. This camp was a great opportunity to speak the Gospel to those who would not be able to be at church otherwise. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE

Recently, a group of over 30 teenagers from the Good News Church of Tacoma, WA, went on an unforgettable trip to Kentucky. They had an opportunity to visit two wonderful exhibits: the Ark Encounter and the Creation Museum. The highlight of the trip was definitely the Ark Encounter exhibit, which is a replica of the original Noah's Ark, and it was useful to appreciate the truth of the biblical narrative. [More details....](#)



Here is what Noah's Ark looked like!

THE TREASURES OF OUR LIVES

On July 19, a ladies' meeting was held in Monterey, during which Karen Zimmerly from Illinois, an author of Christian poetry and reflections as well as leader of the ministry "For One," shared her thoughts on the topic "Little Treasures. Life Lessons." [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



BAPTISM AT THE REVIVAL BAPTIST CHURCH

On August 2, Revival Baptist Church in Vancouver, WA had a baptism service for 29 people. Praise the Lord that the Holy Spirit continues to act, and the church continues to grow. At the present time, there are over 530 church members at the church. Repentance and baptism are signs of a healthy and growing church. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



Praise the Lord for these new souls who entered into a covenant with Him!

TESTIMONY OF THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF THE GOSPEL

On August 10, Forward Church in Irvine, CA had a very special and memorable church service during which Albert Black, who is the executive director of the Recovery in the Pines Rehab Center, shared his testimony of salvation and redemption. He touched the hearts of many brothers and sisters with how the grace of God can transform a person's life. [More details...](#)



Bogdan Kipko with special guest Albert Black

NEWS FROM THE CHURCH IN SEATTLE

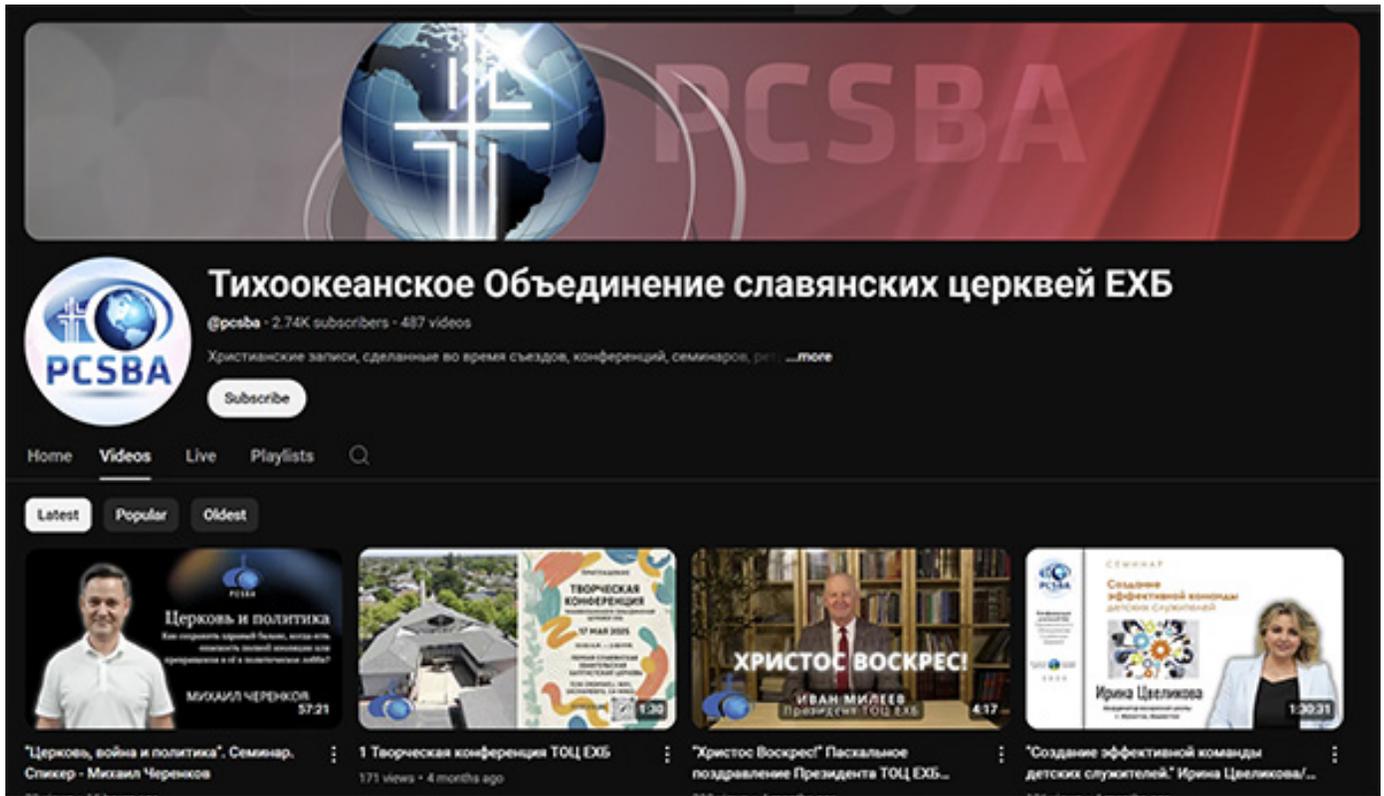
By God's grace, the local church of Seattle, WA continues to serve. They have two services: a main church service on Sundays, and a Bible study on Tuesdays. In addition to that, they have edifying conferences; an average of one conference every two months. On August 10, they had a special church service where they ordained a pastor and a deacon for ministry. [More details....](#)



Ordination of pastor and deacon, and those officiating the special service

PREACHING THROUGH THE MEDIA MINISTRY

In our times, a camera is not just a piece of equipment, it is a tool that can be used to preach the Word of the living God, to express God's handiwork, and to testify about His glory. For us, video ministry is not just recording a beautiful picture, but a ministry of the church that is instrumental in the Gospel ministry, and in strengthening the faith of believers. [More details.... \(in Russian only\).](#)



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BACK TO SCHOOL EVENT AT THE HOUSE OF THE GOSPEL CHURCH IN FRESNO

On Saturday, August 2, House of the Gospel Church in Fresno had a special “Back to School” event geared not only toward our children, but also the community. God has placed our church in a strategic location, where there are a lot of low-income families, many from Latin America. We were blessed to be able to be a blessing to our neighbors. [More details....](#)



This day was truly a day of celebration for children!!

TESTIMONY AFTER CAMP

From July 6 to 12, there was a special camp in Ukraine for women who are widows and for orphans. This was not just a time of vacationing, but a place of imparting life into grieving hearts, where tears turn into hope, and those in pain come face to face with the love of God. Oksana Kopchuk shares about how God was leading them, how He cared for them, and how He truly demonstrated His faithfulness once again. [More details... \(in Russian only\).](#)



MISSIONS NEWS

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR MISSIONARIES IN SPAIN!

For a while now, we have been writing about Viktor and Tatyana Kovba, who are receiving some support from our Association, and other churches in California. After they moved to Spain, they planted the Light of Life Church at Torrevieja. By God's grace, and thanks to their efforts, this church began to grow quickly. But these blessed workers have recently been subjected to serious trials. Just like with the story of Job, during a short period of time they experienced one challenge after another. [Read more details on the Association's website.](#)



СЛУЖЕНИЕ ЦЫГАНАМ-МУГАТА: ЧТО ДАЛЬШЕ?

After leading a successful three-day camp for about 48-59 children of Gypsy-Mugates, the ministry team was faced with a serious question: What are they to do now? Are they to continue to serve like before in teaching children, or are they to focus on something else? [More details.... \(in Russian only\).](#)



During one of the lessons with older children

LARGE SCALE MISSIONS TRIP

On July 24, Vasiliy Khripunov, who is serving at the Association's Missions Department, went on a large-scale mission trip. His purpose is to visit those missionaries that are supported by the Association, and to do some street evangelism in various countries. During this long journey, he will be accompanied by Michael from Odessa, and by many others from the local churches. [More details....](#)
[\(in Russian only\).](#)



Street evangelism in Ukraine

USEFUL INFORMATION

30 DAYS OF DRAWING CLOSER TO GOD

In order to grow in our understanding of the Lord, and to know His Word better, the Moms in Prayer Ministry is sharing a great resource for an entire month, to encourage everyone to pray for our children and their school year. The resource was implemented in the month of July, during which the women of the PCSBA had a daily verse and prayer prompt for thirty days. It was convenient not only to use these cards in their own families, but also to implement them in small groups or prayers with a friend. Many mothers liked the 30 days of drawing closer to God through His Word, spending time in prayer, and daily prayer requests. One of the mothers made the following comment: "I liked how structured every section was, and how there was a Bible verse dedicated to every topic. In addition to that, these topics are relevant to every mother during any time of the year. I really liked it."

These cards will be available to anyone who wishes to have them – [please click this link](#). May they be a great resource of blessing to you!

For additional information, reach out to T. Senin at: (916) 270-7545.



30 DAY *prayer* CHALLENGE

2 Corinthians Study

Bible reading

Prayer prompts
for a child & school

Daily challenge

NEWS FROM OUR PARTNERS

LEARNING TO HEAR GOD: THE EXPERIENCE OF THE BIBLE INSTITUTE "INSTRUCTION IN THE WORD"

Students from around the world are taking advantage of the [Eurasia Precept Ministry](#) in growing in their knowledge of God's Word. In Laos, 58 pastors are getting ready to go on a difficult journey through Thailand to get to the training session. The graduates from Belarus and Moldova are beginning their own ministries. Students from six countries are studying at the International Missions School. Even in difficult circumstances such as the war in Syria, or challenges as refugees in Cambodia, the people continue to study the Scriptures. [More details... \(in Russian only\)](#).



During one of the online sessions

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

HOW INCOMPREHENSIVE ARE HIS FATES AND HOW UNFORESEEN ARE HIS WAYS!

Two thousand years ago, the Apostle Paul spoke the message in his epistle to the Romans that is relevant to Manni Muhammed from Iran, who was born into a Muslim family, who has a B.A. degree in political Science, who used to be a drug addict, a refugee to Ukraine, and who gave his life to Christ, and dedicated himself to proclaim Christ to his people and many others who speak Farsi.

In his interview with Olga Avetisova, Manni shares about his journey of coming to God, and about what the Lord put him through in giving him a ministry. [More details.... \(in Russian only\).](#)



Another sermon recording in the studio...

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BACK TO SCHOOL AGAIN!

Dear mothers, grandmothers, and women! You are invited to learn about the Moms in Prayer Ministry, which is an international organization that is dedicated to praying for our children and their schools. Please join us for a prayer breakfast on Saturday, August 30 at 9:00am to focus on praying for the beginning of the 2025-26 school year. The prayer breakfast will take place at Bryte Church at: 1000 Sacramento Ave, West Sacramento, CA 95605.

For more information, reach out to Tatyana V. Senin at: (916) 270-7545.



CELEBRATING THE 20-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF PRISON MINISTRY

Dear pastors, those who serve, and church members! The Prison Ministry of the PCSBA is inviting you to a **20-year celebration** which, by the grace of God, the team has been serving in on the West Coast and beyond.

Date of the event: Saturday, September 13, 2025.

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Bryte Church.

Address: 1000 Sacramento Ave, West Sacramento, CA 95605.

Every church of the Pacific Coast Association is invited to send 2-4 representatives.

To better plan for lunch, we are asking you to inform us about how many people your church is planning to send by September 1. Please contact **Viktor Butayev at: (916) 717-5944.**

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN CAMP, THE SALON OF IMPERISHABLE BEAUTY

The registration to the Salon of Imperishable 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 is here.](#)



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URGENT NEED OF A MISSIONARY TO ARGENTINA

The Missions Ministry of the PCSBA is inviting a missionary (possibly with family) to serve in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Due to the much simpler process of naturalization, over the last three years over 80,000 Slavic people have immigrated to Buenos Aires. The majority of those who came there do not know Christ. They communicate with each other through Telegram and WhatsApp. [More details...](#)

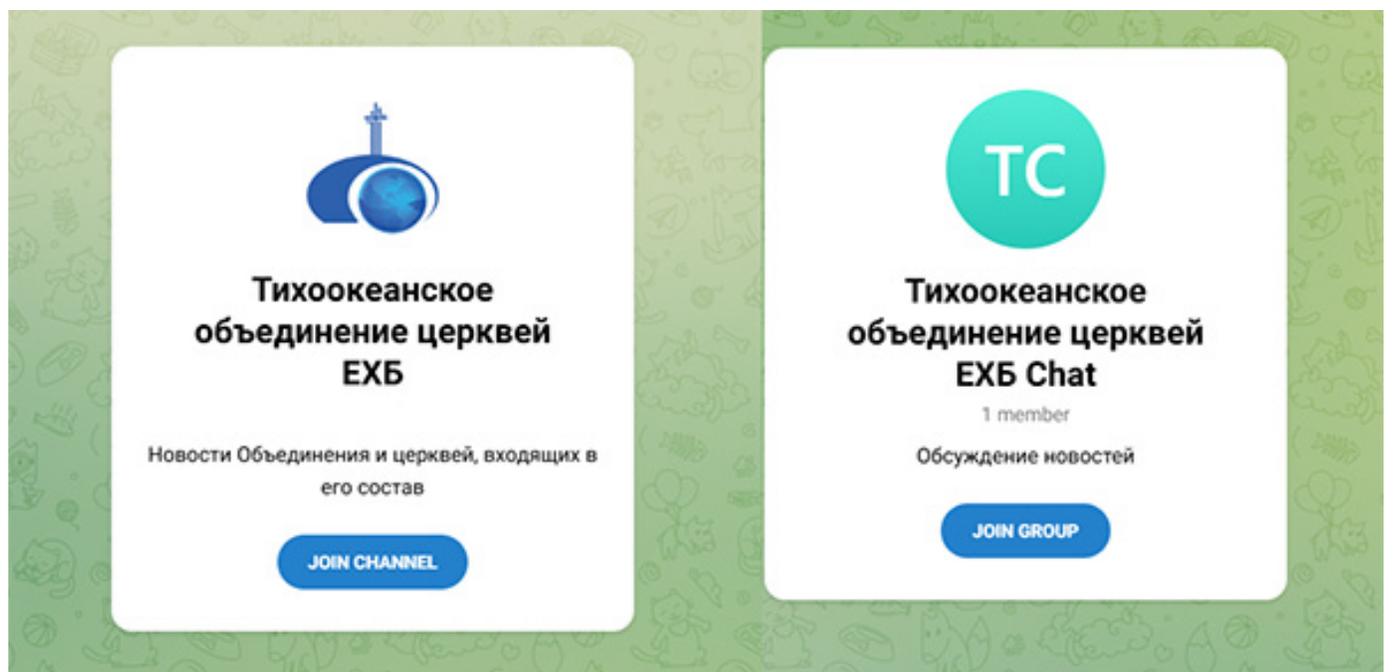


LOOK FOR OUR NEWS IN THE TELEGRAM CHANNEL!

Link to the Association's Telegram channel: <https://t.me/pcsbaca>.

Invitation to join the channel - <https://t.me/+PI9fuFhsXxw2YzNh>.

As part of the group of this channel, you would be able to comment on articles, share your feedback, and other information. The group invitation can be found at: – <https://t.me/+nJFOV05yk4c5YJU5>. Welcome!



Previous editions of the newsletters can be found on the Association's website:
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