

NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION

ORDINATION AT “TRANSFIGURATION” SLAVIC BAPTIST CHURCH

On May 27, “Transfiguration” Baptist Church in Minnetonka, MN had a service of celebration during which Vasiliy Buryak was ordained as a deacon. The Association’s president I. V. Mileyev participated in the ordination ceremony and described the event in [an article published on the Association’s website - click here](#).



Ordination of brother Vasiliy Buryak

BAPTISM AT BRYTE CHURCH

Bryte Church had a wonderful service on June 2 on the Sacramento River where 11 young people were baptized. Although that in itself is a joyous event, the presence of the wind orchestra and choir also contributed to the atmosphere.

May the Lord bless the new members of our Christian family who made a covenant with the Lord that day.

The recording of a live broadcast of the event may be found on the [YouTube channel of Bryte Church](#), and the description [of the celebration and the pictures are uploaded to the Association's website \(click here\)](#).



Eleven young people ready to make a covenant with the Lord

SPRING CONFERENCE OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY DEPARTMENT

This year, the Sunday School Ministry Department decided to hold a conference at the church in Fresno. The speaker was Ivan Leschuk, who spoke on the theme of “Jonah of the 21st Century”.

The department leader Oleg Lakhno covers this conference in [his article on the Association's website - click here \(in Russian only\)](#).

"MOMS IN PRAYER" MINISTRY RETREAT

Sierra Pines Camp held an annual retreat of the “Moms in Prayer” ministry. The founder of this blessed international ministry, Fern Nichols, developed the retreat theme: “Unshaken!”

For more details about the retreat [read an article by Galina Bugriyev](#), who is the head of this ministry in the Association - [click here \(in Russian only\)](#).



"Moms in Prayer" retreat attendees

PACIFIC THRIFT STORE CELEBRATES FIVE YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Five years - is it a lot or a little? Depends how one looks at it. In terms of starting a new business or ministry it would be a fairly long time; time of getting familiarized with the new territory, acquiring new habits, and the time of probing and mistakes. Pacific Thrift Store, which was established to help the Association's missionary department, experienced all of the above.

Pavel Tsvirinko, the head manager of the store, shares about the journey in [his interview published on the Association's website - click here \(In Russian only.\)](#)

TRAVEL NOTES OF THE MISSIONARY

Vasiliy Khripunov who is in charge of evangelism among the local Slavic communities, presently ministers in Ukraine and then will visit Poland and other countries of Europe; these are the places where the churches of our Association develop missionary ministry.

Every place that he visits is a place of new people, new meetings, and new testimonies. Read his [letter on the journey on the PCSBA's website - click here \(in Russian only.\)](#)



Outreach on the streets of Kharkov

NEWS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

On May 25 to 27, there was another session of the “Blagovest” Institute in Naples, Italy. Students covered the “Theology of Marriage and Family” with great zeal. The church in Montebello listened to the lectures on “Theodicy”. The lessons took place on June 2 in a very pleasant atmosphere.

The session at the church in Castro Valley covered “Church History” (on the 16th). The students were very interested to learn about the doctrine of the Church, and there was a lot of discussion. On June 13 and 14, the Sacramento group of the BA of Church Ministry and Associate’s studied Greek grammar and listened to lectures on the Theological systems. The students of the English-speaking group covered Church History and the teaching on the Church.

During the summer months instruction will not cease, and we are asking to pray for the effectiveness and quality of education during this season of vacations.



Group of students in Italy

FATHER'S DAY AT THE YUBA CITY CHURCH

A small church in the Yuba City celebrated Father's Day at the park where they invited their acquaintances. The youth from First Slavic Church of Sacramento also helped in the organization of this celebration.

Andrey Parkhomenko who is in charge of the Yuba City Church shares his thoughts on this celebration [in an article on the Association's website \(in Russian only.\)](#)



Celebration at the park

THE ASSOCIATION'S RADIO – broadcasts of the past month

[During the past month, the following programs](#) were aired on the association's radio - see list below. In order to listen to a program of interest, please click on its name. All

programs are in Russian only.

- [Visit to Cuba. N. Bugriyev](#)
- [Testimony of a musician and a Christian counselor. A. Tolochynts](#)
- [History of the Bryte Church by P. Khakimov](#)
- [Attendance of the North-Western Association of ECB churches. I. Mileyev](#)
- [Update on the Palo Alto group. V. Yurchak](#)
- [Goals of the Association's radio programs. Special edition - answer to the caller](#)
- [Gathering of Tadjikistan immigrants. Part 1. Interview with the convention organizers](#)
- [Devotion before the communion V. Yurchak](#)

NEWS FROM VARIOUS PLACES

GATHERING OF IMMIGRANTS FROM TAJIKISTAN

On June 2, there was a gathering of immigrants from Tajikistan, Dushanbe . Over 150 people came together for this event. There were guests from Germany and various U.S. states.

It was interesting to discover that although the immigration led people to different regions, the connection with their earthly homeland has not ceased. Many of those living in Germany and the U.S. continue participating in the ministry in Tajikistan and other countries of Central Asia and send a lot of help there. The current residents of Dushanbe could not attend, but they sent video recordings with testimonies and warm welcome. These testimonies were striking: churches continue to be filled by the natives; the chairman of the ECB union of Tajikistan and vice president are also from among the natives. God accomplishes His marvelous work of saving in this poor country and people are coming to Christ.

For more information about this [celebration, read on the Association's website.](#)



Memorable moment

CAMBODIA WITH THE EYES OF THE MISSIONARY

Yevgeniy Evva who is a missionary from Ukraine , whose letters we frequently publish in our news, is currently ministering in Cambodia and sent us the description of his first impressions and stay in this poor but exotic country.

Read his letter [on the Association's website - click here \(in Russian only.\)](#)

ABOUT LIFE IN CZECH, GERMANY, AND RUSSIA

N. Yurkov who is the leader of the Women Ministry Department in the Association took a trip to the European countries. She shares her impressions in her article published on the Association's website.

It was especially interesting to find out that those sanctions that were put in place against Russia positively impacted the people. [Read more in an article by N. Yurkov - click here \(in Russian only.\)](#)



A GOOD EXAMPLE TO FOLLOW

There is an excerpt from a letter of one Christian lady: "This Friday I will participate in the 5km walk/run event in support of the children's international choir called "His Little Feet".

How does this work: the organizers make contact with houses of orphans in countries like India, Ethiopia, and complete the visa paperwork for a few children. These children arrive to the U.S. for approximately 10 months. The organizers train them to sing and perform, and then tour throughout the U.S more frequently and for the most part visiting churches. But their main goal is to share the Gospel to children, and show the love of Christ. The idea is that once they will return to their orphanage, they will not be alone, but with Jesus.

These are very dedicated people who love the Lord and orphan children! During the course of their tours, Christians are called to go to short-term missionary trips, sponsor a child in another country through the Compassion International mission and to adopt children."

Every year a new group of children arrive to the U.S. This ministry was organized in 2009 by Michael and Christa Hahn, and thanks to their ministry children from different countries got to know Jesus. For more about this ministry, please visit the following website - <http://hislittlefeet.org>.

EVENTS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Department of Special Need Children Ministry and Slavic Baptist Church of West Sacramento are inviting everyone who has children or relatives with special needs and handicaps, to come join for a time of rest and fellowship at Sierra Pines Camp on August 17 to 19. Together we will enjoy the wonderful nature, praise the Lord, get to know each other, and share our testimonies. The theme of our fellowship will be: "God's Love, manifested in the life our families, our children, and our neighbors." For more information and registration, please contact at (916) 833-5510 - Natalya and at (916) 400-1186 - Victor.

- Christian Women's Camp "The Salon of Unfading Beauty" will take place on August 17-19. Theme: "Sweeter than Honey" Ps.117:103. The camp will take place at: 660 Highway 50 Zephyr Cove, NV 89448. Cost is \$155. You can register with the leaders of women's ministry at your church May 20-July 29 or with Nina Panasenko (916) 835-6462, Alice Yalanzhi (916) 284-4998 and Irina Sheremet (916) 478-1116. More details about the camp, as well as the registration form, can be found [on the Association's website - click here](#).
- PCSBA's events calendar for July:

Date	Event of the PCSBA
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Meeting of the Mission Department committee ◦ Prayer group for mothers and Bible lessons for children with special needs (1716 Willow Ave, West Sacramento, CA 95691)
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Department of prison ministry - department meeting
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Music Department's committee meeting ◦ PCSBA's committee meeting
13-14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Department of Education - teaching session at Bryte
14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Fellowship of widows and orphans (1000 Sacramento Ave., W. Sacramento 95605)
20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Meeting of PCSBA's department leaders
21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Department of Education - teaching session in Castro Valley and Italy
23-24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Women Ministry Department - visiting of churches
28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Department of Education- teaching session in Montebello

- July activities of some churches:

Date	Events
4-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Church camp at Living Stones Church
12-15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Summer church camp at "Transfiguration" Church in Minnetonka, Minnesota
14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Church picnic of the "Haven" Church in Concord

20-22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Church Camping Trip at Slavic Baptist Church of Honolulu, Bellows Beach Park
22-28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Children's camp at Living Stones Church

PRAYER NEEDS

- **Pray** for blessings of the short-term mission trips of this summer
- **Pray** for the state and federal government, for peace and welfare of our cities
- **Pray** for our brothers and sisters in the persecuted countries.

If you have some news you would like to share with others, please send them at
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