



NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Dear readers, happy Thanksgiving! May the Lord be glorified today both in your families, as well as in the churches and the country as a whole.

The president of our Association also greets you all [in his letter](#) and [video address \(in Russian\)](#). Click on the links in order to access his address.



ANNUAL LEADERS RETREAT OF THE PACIFIC COAST ASSOCIATION

On October 31, the First Slavic Baptist Church of Sacramento hosted an annual meeting of the Association's leaders. The church pastors, the Association's ministry leaders, as well as the members of the Executive Committee of the Association attended the meeting. During the meeting, the ministry leaders gave their annual reports, which shed light on the scope of the ministry done in this period.

For more information about the meeting, [read an article by I. Mileyev on the Association's website – click here](#).



Meeting Participants

RESPONDING TO GOD'S CALLING

On November 7, Grace Avenue Bible Church hosted the 13th annual Missionary Reunion, which was attended by representatives from various churches of our Association: First and Second Slavic Baptist Churches, Bryte Church, Living Stones Church, Mission Bible Church (Bay Area), Grace Family Church, and Cornerstone Church. There were also guests from Russia: American Missionaries from Moscow and Ufa, and Word to Russia Ministry in West Sacramento.

For details [read an article by I. Karkhut on the Association's website – click here.](#)



Reunion Participants

ORDINATION AT THE HOUSE OF PRAYER CHURCH

On November 15, the House of Prayer Church had an ordination service of Dmitriy Arjanov for the deacon ministry. The church pastors, A. V. Delchman and A. Mironov, performed the ordination. For more information, [visit the Association's website and read](#)

[an overview by L. Bezinskiy, who is the Pastor-Teacher of the House of Prayer Church \(in Russian only.\)](#)



Ordination of Brother Dmitriy

THANKSGIVING DAY AT THE HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH OF CONCORD

On November 15, the Haven Baptist Church of Concord celebrated their Thanksgiving. This is a wonderful holiday, which has such a tremendous spiritual meaning for every Christian. Despite the limitations due to COVID-19 and not having the opportunity to have church reception after the service, the celebration was still a success! [Read about it in an article by I. Mileyev – click here.](#)



Church Pastor, Aleksandr Fedorovich Skrenchuk

WORSHIP NIGHT AT GRACE AVENUE BIBLE CHURCH

On November 8, Grace Avenue Bible Church had their worship night, which was called, “Soli Deo Gloria” (To God Alone Be Glory) and was organized by the youth. The church was united in praising our Lord Who was, is, and is to come! One of the church pastors, Gary Ball, reminded everyone of the event, which affected the course of history. October 31, 1517 was called the Reformation Day. For more, read about it [in an article by I. Karkhut – click here \(in Russian only.\)](#) The video recording of this service [can be viewed on the YouTube channel.](#)



Time of Worship

YOUTH RETREAT - «UNITED MINISTRY RETREAT»

Our Association has finally had the long-anticipated youth retreat for everyone engaged in any kind of youth ministry either at their local church, or in other youth ministries. The retreat took place on November 13-15 at Sierra Pines Camp. The retreat participants came from 19 churches of the Pacific Coast Association and numbered 151 people. The speakers of the retreat were S. Tarasenko, V. Stupin, M. Zhur, P. Kondrashov, A. Ivanov, E. Borushko, and M. Kraynov. For more about the retreat, [read an article by P. Makletsov](#), the leader of the Youth Ministry – click here. There is also a short video of the retreat, [which can be found at the Association's YouTube channel](#).



Retreat Participants. We have such an outstanding youth!

EXCELLENT BEGINNING IN THE MINISTRY TO CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

As the quarantine continues, meeting with children with special needs is not possible, even though they and their parents need them more than ever! The staff of the ministry resolved this dilemma through creating recordings of the teaching lessons and making them available to families with special needs. The first of these recordings was released at the beginning of this month, and [can be located at the Limitless Love](#) YouTube channel. Be sure [to watch this video! \(in Russian only\)](#).



Teaching session by N. Smolikova, leader of the Children with Special Needs Ministry

UPDATES FROM THE EDUCATION MINISTRY

The Blagovest Institute of Ministry continues spiritual education. [For more information read on the Association's website \(in Russian only\).](#)



Class at the Light of the World Church taught by Andrey Romanov

UPDATE FROM OUR MISSIONARY

We received another letter from M. Terekhin who is a missionary in Spain. [To access this letter – click here \(in Russian only\).](#)

ATTENTION Twice a week, on Tuesday and Thursday, from 3:15 pm to 3:30 pm, we broadcast on **87.7 FM**. You can also listen to this radio via the Internet using a direct link - <http://ethno.fm:8500/ethnofm.mp3>.

During the past month, the following programs were aired on the Association's radio – see below. In order to listen to a program of interest, please click on its name. All recordings are in Russian only.

- [How the Reformation benefited us. I. Sheremet](#)
- [Lessons from the previous year. I. Mileyeu](#)
- [«What should I do with doubts and other rebellious thoughts? » Answered by A. Kalinskiy](#)
- [Path to God. I. Mileyeu](#)
- [Six mistakes of the path to God. I. Mileyeu](#)
- [Woman's Role in the Church. A. Kipko and M. Gusenkova](#)
- [Family terrorism through sex. S. Sipko, O. Askalenok, and V. Zuyev](#)
- [Thanksgiving greeting. I. Mileyeu and G. Gavelovskiy](#)

UPDATES FROM OUR PARTNERS

MISSIONARY MINISTRY IN ITALY

Ilya Danilyuk, who is a missionary in Italy, sent us another ministry update for October. [Read his letter here \(in Russian only.\)](#)



Harvest Celebration

NEWSLETTER FROM MISSION EURASIA

«The gift of hope can change the life of a child forever! » - That was the opening of the letter by the president of The Mission Eurasia Ministry, Sergey Rakhuba. He writes that the war between Armenia and Azerbaijan in Nagorno-Karabakh forced about 150,000

people to leave their established homes and become refugees. Any help for these people can change their lives forever.

[For more information, read here.](#) In order to provide financial contribution, [visit the mission's website – click here.](#)

MINISTRY AMONG THE REFUGEES OF SOUTH SUDAN

Over the past five years, the ECB Union of Moldova continues to minister in Africa. They began their missions in South Sudan. Due to the civil war, thousands of refugees migrated to neighboring Uganda, so the ministry also relocated to the local camps of the refugees. I. Mordvinov, who serves in the Missions Ministry department of the Union, gives an update about this ministry. [Read his article on the Association's website – click here \(in Russian only.\)](#)



Girls of South Sudan who received the supplies of personal hygiene

REFORMATION DAY

Christians from around the world celebrated the Reformation Day on October 31 in commemoration of what was accomplished by Martin Luther in 1517. Grace Family Church' pastor, I. Sheremet, did a brief overview about how the Reformation benefited the Christian world. Read [his article on the Association's website](#) or listen to [his radio broadcast dedicated to the same topic](#). Both the article and radio broadcast in Russian only/



«PROTESTANT»

The Protestant Newspaper, which is published by the ministry organization with the same name, exists from May 1989 and is familiar to many. The newspaper sheds light on both the secular and Christian news from around the world, as well as the articles on different spiritual topics. [The newspaper's archive can be accessed here](#). You can also fill out the magazine subscription there as well. In addition, the main website of the organization also has a lot of information about the churches of Russia, about various Christian organization, and much more. The website link: <https://www.protestant.ru>.

USEFUL INFORMATION

The internet can sometimes seem so overwhelming that it is sometimes difficult to find something if you are not sure how to enter the right search. From time to time, our newsletters will provide information about useful Christian resources that may benefit our readers. In the current newsletter, we will provide the addresses of the websites of similar unions and associations of ECB:

- [ECB Union of Russia](#)
- [ECB Union of Ukraine](#)
- [ECB Union of Moldova](#)
- [ECB Union of Kazakhstan](#)
- [ECB Union of Belarus](#)
- [Euro-Asian Federation of ECB Union](#)
- [North-Western Association of Slavic Baptist Churches of the U.S.](#)
- [Widwest Association of Slavic Churches](#)
- [Alliance of the Slavic Associations and Churches of ECB of North America](#)
- [Network of Russian-Speaking Churches in the European Baptist Federation](#)
- [Baptist World Alliance](#)
- [European Baptist Federation](#)

PLEASE PRAY!

1. For the satisfactory and peaceful conclusion to the Presidential election of our country
2. For the protection for churches, and the wisdom for the church pastors to make every-day decisions
3. For peace in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Ukraine, Russia, and other countries around the world

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

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