

NEWS OF THE DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION

TRAINING PROGRAM FOR CHURCHES

Due to time constraints and inadequate preparation time for the **study of Epistle to the Philippians**, the training for sermons and lessons for small groups **is rescheduled to September 9th.**

By that time, there will be audio recordings for each lesson (additional assistance to small group leaders), as well as **training for preparing leaders** of small groups, **on July 21, at 6:00** at the Association's office.

TWOFOLD CELEBRATION IN ROCKLAND CHURCH

On April 22, "Rockland" Church had a special service of baptism of one brother, as well as the ordination of two new church ministers - Genadiy Lavor and Roman Burdeyniy for the deacon's ministry. [For more information visit the Association's page - click here](#) (In Russian only.)



MISSIONARY TRAINING

Slavic Baptist Church of West Sacramento where I. A. Verstak is the head pastor hosted the discipleship training seminar. This time the training was in the first and second module. The first module was attended by attendees from eight churches with a few people coming from the state of Washington. The second module was attended by brothers and sisters from 10 churches.

It was surprising to find out that although the pastors always voice their concerns about the lack of ministers for the ministry of discipleship, the information about this training was not announced in churches, and the people who attended found out about the seminar by the word of mouth, and it was their personal decision to join the training. For more information about this training [read on the Association's website - click here](#).



WOMEN'S CONFERENCE IN LOS ANGELES

"How to become a woman after God's heart" - was the theme of the Los Angeles conference which was attended by women from Sacramento, Fresno, Castro Valley, and Los Angeles. For more about the conference, and the content, read [an article by N. Yurkov on the Association's website - click here](#) (In Russian only.)

ATTENTION! IT'S VERY SERIOUS!

Please read this article: [Baptist Press](#).

Please **pray** for the protection of our children from the perverse degradation of the world and forced worldviews.

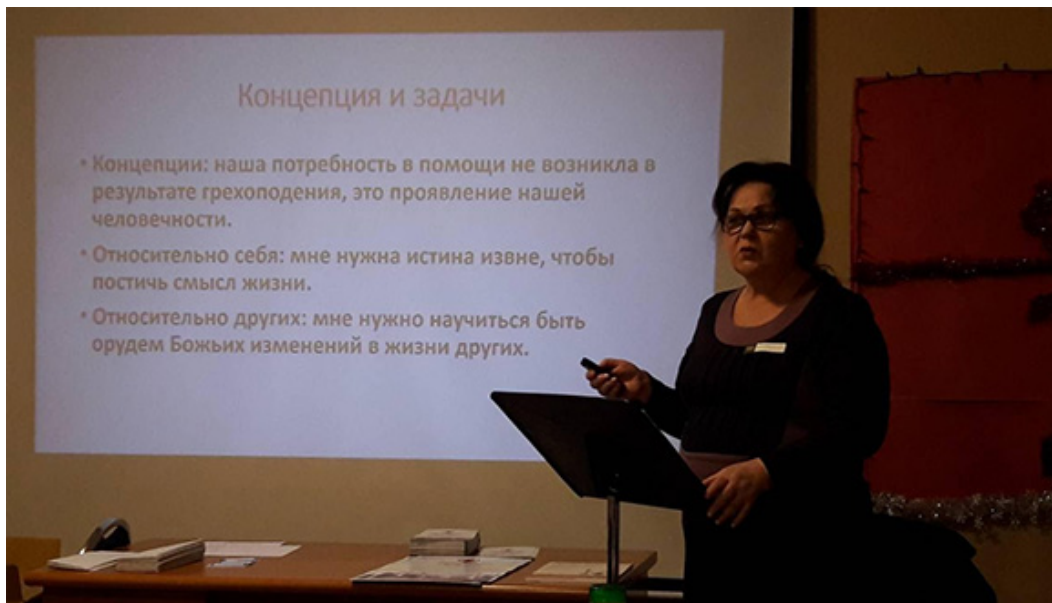
Pray for wisdom for the parents and on raising children in our difficult times.

WOMEN'S SEMINAR ON COUNSELING

From February 10 to April 7, with the suggestion of "Moms in Prayer" Ministry, there was a seminar for young leaders of women's groups based on Paul David Trip's book *Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands: How to Help Others Grow*. There were 4 sessions. The first session on February 10 was a brief overview of the entire book that

was presented by 6 leaders: Galina Bugriyev, Olga Drovorub, Nina Yurkova, Rufina Peychev, Tatyana Senin, and Valentina Kostrikina. The older women shared their experience with other leaders.

For more details - [read on the Association's website - click here](#)(In Russian only.)



UPDATE OF OUR MISSIONARY IN MOLDOVA

To access our missionary in Moldova, V. M. Tsvirinko's update, visit the Association's website - [click here](#).

WORSHIP NIGHT

A week before the Resurrection celebration, Grace Avenue Bible Church had a special Worship Night during which they were commemorating the Bible events leading to the Resurrection. This was a service of worship and praise of the wonderful name of Christ in songs. Because the worship night was in English, the songs consisted of contemporary American artists. For more about the evening, [read an article by I. Karkhut on the Association's website](#).

BIBLICAL COUNSELING TRAINING

Slavic Baptist Church of West Sacramento, where I. A. Verstak is the head pastor, hosted the Biblical Counseling training. This time the training was in the first and second module. The first module was attended by attendees from eight churches with a few people coming from the state of Washington. The second module was attended by brothers and sisters from 10 churches.

It was surprising to find out that although the pastors always voice their concerns about the lack of ministers for the biblical counseling ministry, the information about this training was not announced in churches, and the people who attended found out about the seminar by the word of mouth, and it was their personal decision to join the training. For more information about this training [read on the Association's website - click here](#) (In Russian only.)



UPDATE ON THE MINISTRY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

“Blagovest” Institute of Ministry provides training in three levels of Theological Programs: AA Degree - four groups, two of which taking place in Sacramento, hosted by Bryte Church (English group) and Cornerstone, one in Tampa, Florida, and one more in Naples, Italy; BA - two groups which meet at Bryte Church and in Hayward; MA - one group in Montebello. During this month, the Institute’s instructors were: Andrey Romanov, Arthur Popov, Peter Pasechkin, Vadim Yurchak (Italy), Ivan Leschuk, and Aleksandr Pronin (Montebello, Florida).

On Friday, April 20th, there was another meeting of the “Theological Collegiate” which took place at the Association’s office. This meeting was attended by about 15 ministers. Please pray for the Department of Education.

PACIFIC THRIFT STORE NEEDS HELP

The Association’s Pacific Thrift Store was established in order to support the missionary ministry. In order to reach this goal, the store’s associates are doing the best they can. However, without the donations and church volunteers, they will not be able to accomplish much regardless of how hard they try.

The store manager Pavel Tsvirinko appeals to all the churches with the request to support this ministry. Read his address [on the Association's website - click here.](#)



VIBER - FREE PHONE APP FOR FELLOWSHIP

The announcements and broadcasting of information is important not only in every business, but also in the ministry of contemporary churches. There are a few very useful and free apps for communication on the cell phones and iPad, one of which is Viber. The Association's President I. Mileyev created a group on Viber through which he and the pastors of our churches can exchange information, pictures, and videos.

If you are not part of this group, but you are a pastor or the head pastor of any church, if you have a cell phone, please install the Viber app (which can be downloaded here - <https://www.viber.com/download/>) and then send a request to I. V. Mileyev to add you to the **Leaders of PCSBA** group.

PLEASE PRAY!

We are at the brink of the 70th celebration of the Nation of Israel which rose from the ashes in 1948. The chosen people have many enemies which have tried and continue to try to destroy them or at least harm and disturb peace worldwide.

Pray for peace in Israel and the surrounding nations.

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.

- [Easter Celebration](#)
- [35th Congress of Russian Union of ECB. I. Mileyev](#)
- Why is the youth leaving Slavic churches?
 - [Reasons and necessary changes. Part 1. I. Mileyev](#)
 - [Why is the youth leaving Slavic churches? Reasons and necessary changes. Part 2. I. Mileyev](#)
 - [Part 3. Interview with the youth](#)
 - [Part 4. Interview with pastor of Bryte Church, L. P. Kioroglo](#)
- [Missionary projects of the "Choose Life" Church. Y. Senchenko](#)

- [Interview with the new pastor of Bryte Church, L. P. Kioroglo](#)

NEWS FROM VARIOUS PLACES

57TH CONVENTION OF EURO-ASIAN FEDERATION OF THE UNIONS OF ECB

At the brink of the 70th anniversary of Israel, more than 79 delegates from the former USSR, as well as USA, Canada, Finland and Israel gathered for the 57th Euro-Asian Federation of the Unions of ECB. The convention took place in Nazareth, Israel. For more about the convention, the outcomes of some issues, what was preached and by whom, can be read on the Moldovian Association's website in the following articles (In Russian only.)

- [First time in Israel: 57th Convention EAFU ECB in Nazareth](#)
- [57th Convention EAFU ECB blessed newly elected ministers](#)



ALEKSANDR SAVCHENKO'S VISIT TO SACRAMENTO

A well-known poet, recipient of many honors, member of the Russian Union of Writers, doctor, pastor, Th.D, well-versed in various religions, Aleksandr Petrovich Savchenko visited Sacramento, participated in the ministries of various churches, and gave an interview. On Saturday, April 21 there was also a honorary evening at *First Slavic Baptist*

Church. Listen to [an interview with A. P. Savchenko](#), conducted by I. Voronov and [a recording of the honorary event - click here](#).

HELP TO OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN SOUTH SUDAN

As was announced in social media multiple times, the situation in South Sudan is extremely difficult. Because of the constant wars, hundreds of thousands of families are forced to leave their homes and find shelter in Uganda's refugee camps. Because of the scope of the distress, these camps are short on food and basic necessities which leads to a lot of people starving. In the course of the last four years our Association in partnership with the Union of ECB of Moldova minister there. One of our joint projects is the purchase of ovens and supplies for baking bread, and their distribution to churches in the refugee camps. For more information about this project and about ways to join and assist in this ministry, [please read an article on the Association's website](#).

EVENTS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The missionalry camp "Life of Jesus" will take place at Salem, OR, from 11 am on May 25 till late on 27th, 2018! (you can come as early as May 24th, 8pm and stay till May 28th, noon). Early Registration - \$110 per person. Multiple siblings from same family: \$100 per person. Couples: \$100 per person. Out of WA & OR: \$80 per person. Children: Ages 5 through 12 - \$35 per person; Under 4 years of age - Free. On May 15th, the cost will go up to \$130 per person. Online registration will go through May 23rd, 2018. **TO REGISTER:** please follow this link to register: <https://chooselifemissions.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/124596>. More details may be found on the [Association's website - click here](#).
- The registration for the annual "Moms in Prayer" retreat is now open. All the women who wish to have a victorious life in Christ are welcome to come. The retreat's speaker is Fern Nichols, ex-president of the "Moms in Prayer" Ministry. The theme is "Unshaken". The dates are: **June 8-10** and will take place at Sierra Pines Camp, 7169 Sierra Pines Rd., Twin Bridges, CA 95735. For [registration, visit the Association's website](#) or contact the leader of women's ministry at the local church. The retreat's cost is: Early registration April 11 to May 31 - \$140.00; late registration June 1 to June 6 - \$150.00. For more information information: (916) 256-7363
- Events' calendar of the Association

Dates	Events of the Association
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Day of Special Family◦ Women's Department Ministry - Conference at Second Slavic Baptist Church in Sacramento◦ Department of Education - training session in Florida

11-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Department of Education - training session at Bryte Church o Teen Ministry - Annual Teen Conference (1000 Sacramento Ave, W.Sacramento 95605)
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Fellowship of widows and orphans (1000 Sacramento Ave., W.Sacramento 95605)
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Department of Prison Ministry - department meeting
19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Department of Education - teaching session at Castro Valley and Italy
26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Department of Education - teaching session at Montebello

- Events of some churches:

Dates	Churches' Events
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Mothers' Day - ministry of Honolulu Slavic Church
19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Family Day and anniversary of Russian Baptist Church of Bryte o Sunday School picnic of "Living Stones" Church
20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Anniversary of Russian Baptist Church of Bryte o Last Sunday school lesson and graduation of teens of "Living Stones" Church
26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Church picnic, "Haven" Church, Concord

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

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