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FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER - 2025

NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION

MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION'S MINISTRY LEADERS

On February 7, the Association's leadership team had their first meeting of the year. At the beginning of the meeting, the Association's president, I. Mileyev, gave an overview of a book which he recommended to all leaders: *Preventing Ministry Failure: A Shepherd Care Guide for Pastors, Ministers and Other Caregivers*. After that, he initiated a short discussion about our internal challenges and how to overcome them. Then there were several short reports by the department leaders about the work that was done during December and January. The meeting was concluded with a time of joint prayer about personal and ministry needs.



TWENTY YEARS OF PRISON MINISTRY

“I have been visiting one person for 17 years. Twenty years before that, nobody visited him, this person did not have anyone who cared about him,” says Viktor Nikolayevich Butayev, who is overseeing the Association’s Prison Ministry. [Watch his interview on ImpactTV.](#)

What motivates this minister of God, and his team? For the past twenty years, they have been tirelessly laboring by going to camps and prisons, and preaching the Gospel. They model the love of God in action to those criminals who are disowned even by their closest friends and family. What are the results of this sacrificial ministry? Additional information about this ministry and much more about the history of their ministry will be presented at their anniversary service, which will take place on the second Saturday of September. For now, please check out an interview with Viktor, a person who is full of wisdom and love. [Everyone will have something to learn from him – click this link \(in Russian only\).](#)



Виктор Бутаев

руководитель отдела тюремного служения

CHANGE OF PASTOR AT THE HAYWARD CHURCH

For the last 21 years, Yuriy Nikolayevich Zherebnenkov was the senior pastor of the Mission Boulevard Baptist Church. After that, he invested into a replacement for himself and passed on the role of senior pastor to Sergey Moroz. Previously, Sergey was a deacon, and two years ago he was ordained as a pastor.

Praise the Lord, and many thanks to Yuriy Zherebnenkov for many years of sacrificial ministry. We wish the new senior pastor, Sergey Moroz, many blessings from God as he serves Him and the church.



Yuriy Nikolayevich Zherebnenkov



Sergey Moroz

JESUS IS ABOVE EVERYTHING

On the beautiful morning of January 25, more than 120 women gathered for a women's prayer breakfast at the Good News Church in Tacoma, WA. This event united women of various ages and brought them together for fellowship, worship, and prayer. The main speaker was Maria Gusenkova, who shared an amazing message on "Christ above Everything Else." For more about this meeting, [read an article by Karina Garash](#).



At the Women's Prayer Breakfast

SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP: GROWING THE FAITH OF CHILDREN

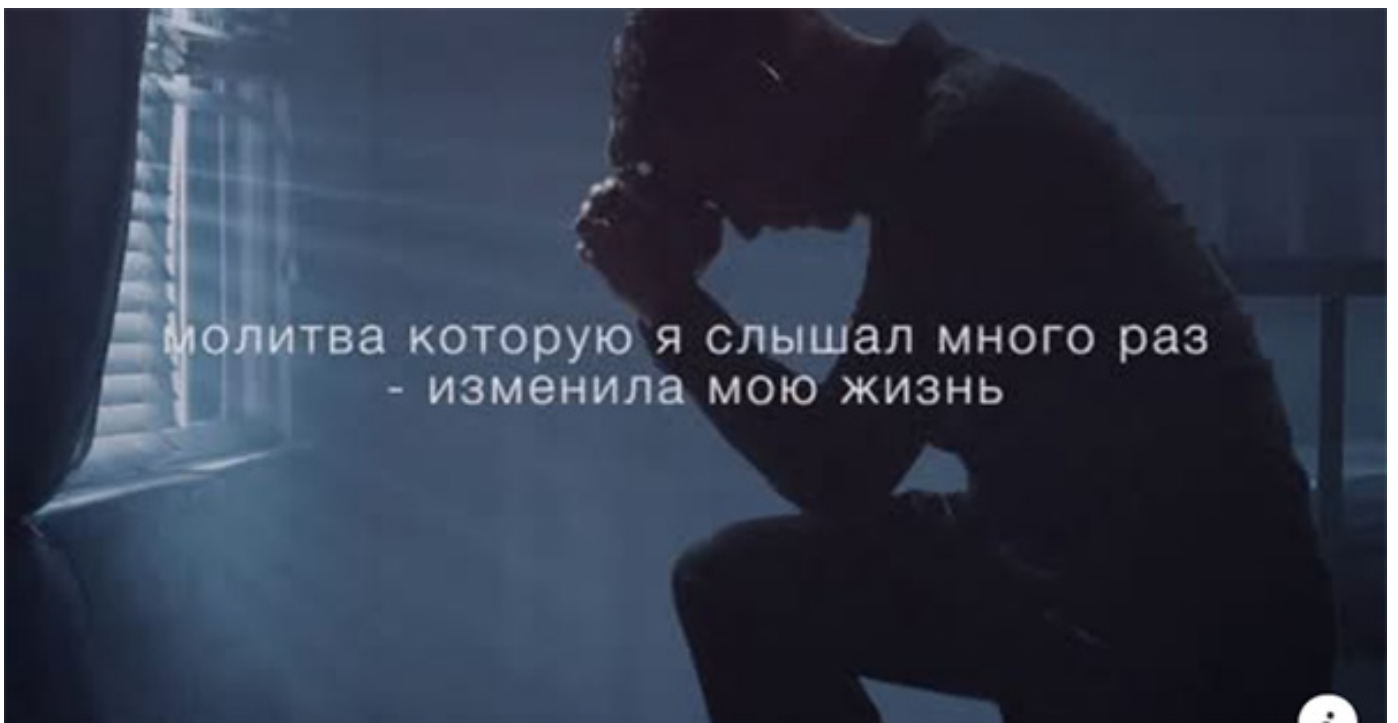
How do you talk to children about God, faith, and the Church? What does it mean to be a spiritual leader for a child? How will you instill the values that they will be cultivating in their own lives, and in the lives of their own children? “Spiritual Leadership: Growing the Faith of Children” was the name of a conference that took place at the beginning of February for the Sunday School teachers at the Spring of Life Church in Mukilteo, WA. [More details...\(in Russian only\).](#)



Conference Participants

CREATIVE VIDEOS OF THE "REVIVAL" CHURCH

This is something that you won't find often on Slavic churches' YouTube channels. Short videos, thoughts of various people that make a lasting impression. The playlist of [Revival Creative / Media Ministry](#) has only about 13 videos, but every one of them is very special. Please watch at least one of them, for example: "[A prayer that I heard many times, but that changed my life forever. Our Father...](#)" It's only three minutes, but there is so much in there, since they are related to the essence of our walk before God! Many thanks to those who created this channel and its contents! May the Lord continue to bless your ministry!



MISSIONARY NEWS

NEW DIRECTION OF THE ASSOCIATION'S MISSION MINISTRY

During the February 2025 meeting, the Missions ministry and the leaders of the Association identified six new goals for the missionary ministry, which they are planning to invest in throughout the year: Spain, Moldova, Ukraine, Kenya, Uzbekistan, and Argentina. For more information, [read at the Association's website](#).



Children of Kenya



PRAYER REQUEST FROM SPAIN

A young church in Torrevieja, Spain is in desperate need of a minivan. This is not just to satisfy their wishes. The bus is needed for the church ministry. The pastor of the church, Viktor Kovba, shares more about it in his request – [click this link \(in Russian\)](#).

GYPSY-MUGATES – WHO ARE THEY, and why are there no Christians among them?

Who are the Gypsy-Mugates of Uzbekistan? Why is it that after hundreds of years of living very close to Christians, the majority of them have never heard about Christ,

and the message of His substitutionary atonement? Is it even possible for the Gospel to reach them, and are there any attempts of doing that? [More details...\(in Russian only\)](#).



USEFUL INFORMATION

BIBLE COMMENTARIES AND RESOURCES

Perhaps many of us who have not had theological training have many questions as we study our Bibles, especially as we encounter the historical and prophetic books: "Where can I find an explanation for this, and what is the historical context of what was happening?" The "[Bible online](#)" website, which was developed by Christians in Belarus, has a wide variety of Bible translations, commentaries, Bible dictionaries, and even concordances. Many of the materials are available not just for reading but in audio format as well. You can find many of the answers to Bible questions there. Website address: <https://bible.by>.

Библия онлайн

Библия в синодальном, современном и других переводах. Симфония, словари, собрание толкований и комментариев.

В последний раз вы читали: Комментарии Мэтью Генри: Книга пророка Даниила 1 гл. Продолжим?

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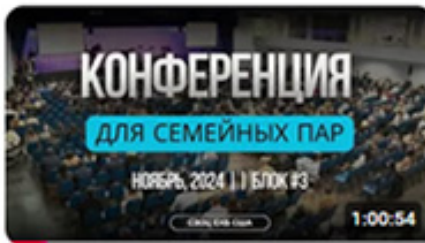
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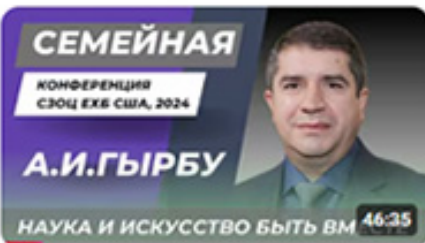
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HELP TO FAMILIES

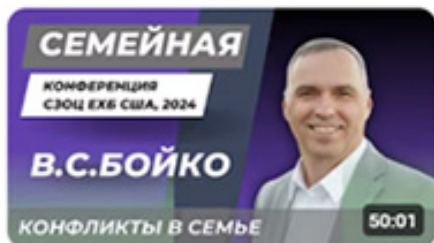
Grace Church of the North-Western Association of Evangelical Slavic Baptist Churches (with K.L. Likhovodov as the president) recently had a conference for families about “Unity Strengthened by Love.” The conference speakers were well-known preachers: A. Gyrbu from Moldova, V. Boyko from Spokane, and A. Chumakin from Edgewood, U.S. Each one of them presented a biblical teaching on relationships and various family problems, and shared their own experiences as well as the experiences of churches where they serve. There was special interest in a topic that is rarely covered in our circles: “Violence in the Family.” [More details...\(in Russian only\).](#)



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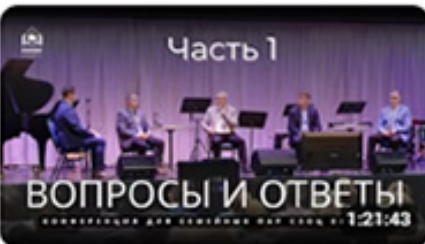
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BOOKS THAT WERE PUBLISHED BY THE LITERARY MINISTRY OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Association's Literary Ministry, which is overseen by P. Panasenko, is providing some book annotations that might be useful not just for Christians, but also for their ministry as well. They are: "Seven Steps of Forgiveness" by Vasiliy Chursin, "Training Teachers" by Dru and Kit Koonen, and "About the Most Important Thing" by Aleksandr Savchenko (Azovskiy). [More details can be found here...\(in Russian only\).](#)



NEWS FROM OUR PARTNERS

ANOTHER MODULE OF CORAM DEO IS NOW OVER

This February, the International Institute of Biblical Counseling, "Coram Deo," had their ninth module. Over 30 people were able to come to this training session. The instructors came from Germany and the United States. The theme of the module was "The Despondent Soul and Depression." [For more about the module, read an article by P. Zagaynov \(in Russian only\).](#)



Another Session of the Coram Deo Ministry at Bryte Church of Solano

A PERSON WHO HAD HIS HOUSE STOLEN

Despite the war and difficult circumstances of life, the ministry of Christians in Ukraine continues. They are growing not just in the ministry but also in creating new literary works. The Rector of the Taurida Christian Institute (Ukraine), Dr. Valentin Siniy, who is a frequent participant of various seminars and conventions of the Pacific Coast Association, wrote a new book called *A Person Who had His House Stolen*. In it, he shares about the first nine months of the full-scale war, the evacuation of the Taurida Christian Institute in Kherson, which is located on the west side of Ukraine, as well as life away from home. These are not just personal memories of these events, but also an attempt to help people cope with the challenges many Ukrainians face, especially those who were forced to relocate. [More details...\(in Russian only\).](#)



NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

WEEK OF UKRAINE IN WASHINGTON, DC

On February 3 to 8, Washington, DC had an annual week dedicated to Ukraine. Throughout that week, there were a lot of various events such as: laying of flowers on the T.G. Shevchenko monument and on the memorial for the victims of the Holodomor, the International Summit, which was dedicated to religious freedom, the Ukrainian-American forum for the investment and rebuilding of Ukraine, a prayer breakfast, a forum for veterans and chaplains, and much more. [More details...\(in Russian only\).](#)

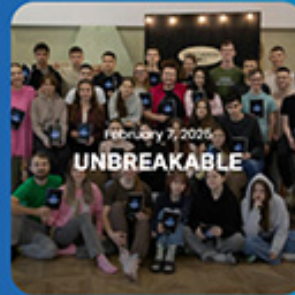
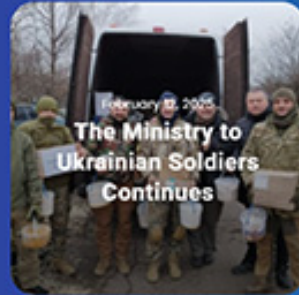
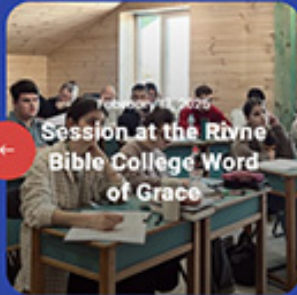


Pastors of the Panel Discussion

ASSOCIATION OF BIBLICAL MISSIONARY CHURCHES OF UKRAINE

Only a few people know that Ukraine has a well-functioning Association of Biblical Missionary Churches of Ukraine (ABMCU), which is a self-sustaining and independent organization. They were registered in December of 2009 in order to unite the efforts of all their members, consisting of local churches, ministries, and Christian organizations, as they fulfill the Great Commission of Jesus Christ. At the present time, they have 16 churches in their membership, as well as [a Christian Mission, "Hope of the People."](#)

The Association and All-Ukrainian Union of the EBC are united by warm brotherly relationships and mutual partnership.



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EVENTS

GRACE IN THE FAMILY

A well-known pastor and speaker from Ukraine, Alexander Kalinsky, will be holding a seminar on the topic of "Grace in the Family" from March 6 to 8. The seminar will be held at Grace Family Church, located at 7031 Watt Ave, North Highlands, CA 95660. The seminar will start at 7 a.m. on Thursday and Friday, and at 9 a.m. on Saturday. For more details, call (916) 481-1001. Admission is free. Everyone is invited.

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Спикер: Александр Калинин

Четверг, пятница: 7:00 p.m.

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Вход свободный.

Приглашаются все желающие.



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There will be two seminars at the conference:

- **1st Seminar:** “Taking Advantage of AI to Motivate, Train, and Effectively Share Bible Truth in Children’s Ministry”
- **2nd Seminar:** “Creating Effective Teams for Serving Children”

For more about the seminar’s contents, [click this link \(in Russian only\)](#).
Seminar speaker – Irina Tselikova –

teacher and psychologist with a lot of experience serving in Sunday School. Register today! To register, reach out at: (916) 798-5838.

WELCOME TO THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP!

Dear daughters, mothers, and grandmothers! You are invited to come for fellowship on March 15 at 5:00 p.m. at Bryte Church. The theme of the evening will be: "The God of Abraham is a God of Generations."



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Церковь Bryte
1000 Sacramento Ave,
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WOMEN'S CONFERENCE AT THE GOOD NEWS CHURCH

On **March 29**, the Good News Church, Takoma, WA. will have a "Fan the Flame" conference. The speaker will be an author of many books and ministries, and a well-known international speaker, Denise Glenn.

For more details about the speaker, the theme of the conference, registration, and other details, [click this link](#).



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