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## NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION

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### 81ST PCSBA'S CONVENTION

The 81st Annual Convention was held on October 18-20th. A significant portion of the convention was spiritually edifying. The first part of Saturday was dedicated to the reports and elections where the Vice President of the Association and six new members of the committee were chosen. For more about the convention [read an article by I. Mileyev – click here](#). For more about the convention, visit the [convention's website](#) and view the pictures of [day one](#) | [day two](#) | [day three](#), check the [Almanac](#), view [the Convention's videos](#), and check out the [convention's statistics](#) – click on the named links. All resources in Russian only.



*Delegates of the Convention*

### MISSIONARY REUNION

On October 27, the Association's Missionary Department held their annual reunion of the missionaries and all of their supporters. Many churches of the Associations went on

short-term missionary trips over the summer, and during this forum, they shared the God's blessings that they have been privileged to witness. Long-term missionaries and guests from Russia and Ukraine also shared their experience. For more about this meeting, [read on the Association's website – click here.](#)



*Reunion Attendees*

## **NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

The Department of Education announces the enrollment of students for the «MA of Church Ministry» Level D, English Equivalent «Master of Divinity» or «Master of Arts». For details, visit the Association's [website – click here.](#)

While there, you can access [other news of this department – click this link](#)(In Russian only.)

## **REACH A CHILD'S HEART!**

That was the theme of the conference that took place on September 22 for all who labor in the Sunday School Ministry of the Association's churches. The conference was hosted by «New Hope» Church, Rancho Cordova, with Nicolay Larshin as the speaker. About 85 people, representatives from 15 churches were present. For more about the conference, read [on the website – click here](#) (In Russian only.)



*One of the meetings during the Conference*

### **WOMEN'S MEETING DURING THE CONVENTION**

The ladies of the women's ministry had their own meeting during the third day of the convention with Alla Kipko as their speaker. Just like the other Convention's speakers, Alla talked about unity – «Unity of the Spirit in the Bond of Peace». N. Yurkov, who is the head of the women's department, talks about this meeting and shares about her impressions of the convention in an article located on the website. [Read the article here](#) (In Russian only.)



*Презентация Аллы Кипко*

### **«TOGETHER FOREVER» - MEETING AT «NEW HOPE» CHURCH**

This evening was the first in the series «Together Forever» church club meetings, and it is safe to say that the new season of romantic evenings for family couples will be even more impressive and insightful than before.

The meeting was hosted with the involvement of the head of the Family Ministry of the ECB Union of Ukraine, Stanislav Gruntovskiy. The theme of this and all the other meetings is so practical and relevant, that every couple attending the meeting agreed not

to miss any future opportunities to be there. In addition, the organizers are trying to make every evening unforgettable by selecting intriguing and interesting themes for couples' discussions and by inviting new music performers. With the romantic atmosphere keeping the couples in a positive mood, these memorable evenings stay with the couples until the next one.

More pictures of this evening can be seen [on the website – click here.](#)



*Stanislav Gruntovskiy, the speaker*

## **NEWS FROM SPAIN**

The family of Alik Shipuk, who moved to Spain as a missionary for Russian-speaking immigrants, sent us [a letter - read it here.](#)

## **DISCUSSION ON THE ADVANTAGES OF SIMPLICITY**

On October 12, the radio/video broadcast with the theme of «The Advantages of a Simple Lifestyle for a Christian» was aired with the involvement of A. Pronin, I. Leschuk, S. Barushko, and V. Komlev as the speakers. This discussion originally took place at Slavic Theological Collegiate and ended up being really edifying. The text version of the discussion published on [the Collegiate Website - click here.](#) The discussion was based on the Book of Romans 12:3 and a book by R. Foster «Celebration of Discipline». During the discussion, an extensive list of advice and examples of Christian lifestyle was developed. For video of the program [visit the YouTube Channel – click here](#) (In Russian only.)

## **PLEASE HELP TO PACIFIC THRIFT STORE!**

Dear brothers and sisters of Sacramento! As the holidays approach, this is a great time to get some income for supporting our missionaries because people



are buying a lot during this time of year. The store needs to be fully stocked, and we have a lot of inventory, but it has to be sorted through and shelved. Our workers are fully engaged in this but we are short-staffed and need more volunteers. **PLEASE HELP US!**

If you have dedicated people of any age, please send them to the store at least once a week. If every church sends at least one person once a week, we will be able to have a volunteer every day for two weeks and this will be a tremendous help to us. Store contact (916) 514-0154.

With love, Missionary Department, and store employees.

### **THEY ARE ALL GOING HOME!**

«They are all going home! One by one, they are passing away! With golden crowns on these saints' heads, their sinful robes taken away, they are all going home!» these are the words we sing as we part with our brothers and sisters. The words of this old song are especially true for two of the significant ministers whom the Lord recently called home.

**Alfonso Earnest Intenberg** was the one through whose initiative the church in Santa Anna was organized, followed by Slavic Evangelical Church in Orange County. He was a minister zealous and dedicated to the Lord who tirelessly cared about the work of God and the local churches. Recently the Lord called him home to eternal dwelling. To read a short biography of this special minister, [visit the Association's website – click here](#).



**Andrey Tagintsev**, a well-known and talented servant, preacher, and head of the music ministry at Grace Avenue Bible Church battled cancer for the past few years. God called him to Himself on October 9 through a car accident. He left behind a wife and teenage children who need our prayers and any support that we can provide. Read about Andrey [in an article by I. Karhut –](#)

[click here](#) (In Russian only.)

### **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.

- [Pastoral advice before communion. V. Brutskiy-Stempkovskiy](#)
- [Concerning Master's Program. Student Admission. A. Pronin](#)
- [«Three good, three evil». Sermon by S. Gruntkovskiy](#)

- [Convention impressions. Interview with I. Mileyev](#)
- [U. Sipko answering question of our listener.](#)
- News: [10/11/18](#) | [10/18/18](#) | [10/25/18](#)

## SIGN-UP TO OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL!

The Association's YouTube channel has a lot of interesting videos, with more being added on a regular basis.

If you would like to receive notifications about new [video uploads on our channel](#), click **Subscribe** on the first page of our channel.

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## NEWS FROM VARIOUS PLACES

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### LIFE, DEDICATED TO GOD

Until you get to know a person intimately, you can't even imagine how difficult their walk before the Lord is, and what hardships they are faced with. Mikhail Danilovich Lokteff over the course of almost four decades was in charge of «Word to Russia» mission. There were many things that he had to do himself. There was a lot that this mission organization accomplished for spreading the Gospel as well. Read about M. D. Lokteff in [an article by Emily Guseva – click here](#). For more about the «Word to Russia» ministry and their new projects [read another article – click here](#) (In Russian only.)

### OVER 45 YEARS IN MINISTRY

«Word to Russia» mission was established in 1972 by Pastor A. Efimov and K. E. Romanov. Only a few people know how useful and fruitful this Christian organization was. E. Guseva interviewed M. Lokteff who was a leader of the mission for a long time about the ministry of this mission. Read an article on [the Association's website – click here](#).

### TESTIMONY OF THE AMAZING WORKS OF GOD

A very astonishing message was posted on the prayer bulletin of the Russian Union of ECB:

*«A prayer group from Moscow was praying monthly for the development of the international missions over the course of four years. Later, they found out that there was another prayer group in city of Ufa that was praying for two years for the same ministry. By coming in contact with the believers in Siberia, they learned that they also prayed for the same thing for many years. In March of this year (2017), during the pastors' meeting, Andrey*

*Dzuba, who is the head pastor of the Central Church of the City of Ufa, was put in charge of the development of international missions in our union. Praise God for the answered prayers! »*

While being in Jurmala on the 8th Summit-Forum of Russian-speaking ministers of Europe, Andrey Dzuba said: «We are amazed! We have doors opened to us that were previously shut, and it is up to us whether we will go through these doors or not». Watch [the video of his address here](#) (In Russian only.)

It is interesting to know what ministry developments are being prayed for in our churches of PCSBA. Would you please let us know!

## PRAYER REQUEST

The following message was received from Kiev:

*«We are coming to you with a prayer request! In Lugansk and its region, there was a very complicated development. The ministers of all confessions were called to the local authorities and told that all of the church buildings do not belong to them anymore, that the registration of new churches is now prohibited, and gathering in homes or anywhere else is not allowed! Adventists were announced as an extreme organization and are completely outlawed. The believers are taking everything that they can out of the church buildings while it is still possible. Everything is in huge disarray. **Please pray for all of the brothers and sisters, and for the situation there!** »*

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## EVENTS ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- Special need children ministry department inviteesinvites families of kids with special needs to have Thanksgiving fellowship on November 3, at 12:00 pm00pm. The event will take place at the Slavic Baptist Church of West Sacramento located at: 1716 Willow Ave West Sacramento 95691.
- November 16-17, Russian Baptist Church of Bryte will host a women's conference with a theme of «Heaven, Hell, and the Afterlife». Speaker is Shirinay Dosova, who is an instructor of the international Bible Institute «Precept Ministries», missionary from the «Light in the East» Mission, and author of «My Eternal Spring». Church address: 1000 Sacramento Ave. West Sacramento, CA 95605. For registration visit [www.brytechurch.org](http://www.brytechurch.org). Cost of registration including materials and lunch is - \$25.00. With questions: (916) 397-1532; (916) 254-7018.
- «Don't Waste Your Life» - is the theme of the youth conference that will take place at Spring of Life Church on November 23-25. For registration or for more information, visit the church website - <https://www.solsacramento.com>.
- PCSBA's Events calendar for November:

Dates	PCSBA's Event
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Prayer group for mothers, and Bible lessons for children with special needs (1716 Willow Ave, West Sacramento, CA 95691)</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Department of Women's Ministry – International Day of Prayer</li> </ul>

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9-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Department of Education – teaching session at Bryte</li> </ul>
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fellowship of widows and orphans (1000 Sacramento Ave., W. Sacramento 95605)</li> </ul>
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Department of Prison Ministry – department meeting</li> </ul>
17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Department of Education – teaching session at Castro Valley</li> </ul>
30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PCSBA's Committee Meeting</li> </ul>

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## PRAYER NEEDS

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### Please pray:

- For the upcoming elections so that the American people would make the right decision on all of the issues so that the country would not lose God's blessings
- For the well-being of our cities and the country as a whole. For wisdom for our rulers
- For religious freedom in Russia
- For blessing and peace in Israel, Ukraine, and Russia

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If you have some news you would like to share with others, please send them at [pcsbaca@gmail.com](mailto:pcsbaca@gmail.com).

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