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## NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION

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### **INFORMATION FROM THE PCSBA'S PRESIDENT** – «Introducing technology to the association's ministries»



Lately, the Association's leaders began to use "Zoom" app, which allows having business meetings through the internet to discuss ongoing questions and make urgent decisions. A few days ago, I organized a simultaneous meeting through "Zoom" with the senior pastors of the Association's churches. The pastors from Washington, Minnesota, and California were able to have a wonderful time of fellowship with each other. Read more in an article [on an association's website – click here.](#)

### **MEETING INVITATION FOR PCSBA'S HEAD PASTORS**

**On February 9th at 10:00am**, Grace Avenue Church will host a meeting of senior pastors. This is the first such meeting of the senior pastors and their wives. This will be a time of fellowship, discussion of ongoing issues, as well as decision-making. Besides the information that the attendees will receive regarding all kinds of mutual ministry opportunities, there will be a discussion and affirmation of the Association's spiritual development for 2019. At the end of the year, we will do an evaluation of how well things were carried out.

More information is given in an invitation by I. V. Mileyev and can be found on [the association's website – click here \(In Russian only.\)](#)

## ASSOCIATION'S COMMITTEE MEETING AT SIERRA PINES CAMP

A few members of the committee headed by the Association's President went to Sierra Pines Camp to evaluate and make decisions regarding pressing problems. During the meeting, there was an approval of a new Board of Directors, discussion of more effective ways of doing things at the camp, and the improving the quality of service for the campers. For more information about this visit, [listen to an interview by the vice-president of the Association - click here](#) (In Russian only.)



## FAMILY CLUB AT "GOOD NEWS" CHURCH

"Heart to Heart" Family Ministry was formed as an answer to a need for development and encouragement of young families. Encountering the temptations of this world, unanswered questions, or everyday life, sometimes spouses remain alone in their problems. The family club is a place where family couples could come to get away from everyday problems and have a good time in a good atmosphere while meditating on God's design for the family. That is primarily why this club was organized at the "Good News" Church at Tacoma, Washington.

Read the details [on the association's website – click here](#) (In Russian only.)



*The family club meeting*

## CHURCH' PARTICIPATION IN MEETING OF IMMIGRANTS

"Cornerstone" Church decided to go outside of their comfort zone and take an active part in welcoming immigrants, which took place on November 10 at Pecan Park in Sacramento. After this meeting, there was a discussion of what else could be done for the immigrants in order to expand their circle of friends, and to give them aid and support.

There was an idea to have a Christmas celebration for these families accompanied by a special celebration program, gifts, and going to see Christmas lights on limousines, which would not be possible for them this early after their arrival. By doing this, the church wanted to show that we are not indifferent to our fellow countrymen and their needs, and want to be their friends.

The full story about the church' involvement in the life of the immigrants [can be found on the association's website – click here](#) *(In Russian only.)*



*During the Christmas celebration*

### **VACANCY FOR THE YOUTH LEADER OF THE ASSOCIATION**

The Association has a vacancy for the leader of the youth ministry department. The candidate requirements can be found in a file [published on the association's website – click here.](#)

### **TRAINING OF BIBLICAL COUNSELORS**

Slavic Baptist Church of West Sacramento (pastor I. A. Verstak) hosted a fourth module of the International Institute of Biblical Counselors "Coram Deo". Twenty-four people from different churches in Sacramento, including one brother from Pennsylvania studied the section of training in "Applying Scriptures in Counseling". The goal of this module was to

keep the counselor from misapplying the Scriptures, to instruct and model the right approach of application, to study and understand the application of moving from the Law to the Gospel in the process of sanctification, to help the counselor how to accurately handle the Scriptures and to rebuke or encourage the counselee. [Read more here.](#)



*The students*

## **NEW GRADUATES OF “BLAGOVEST” INSTITUTE OF MINISTRY**

On January 12, there was another graduation of students from the “Blagovest” Institute of Ministry. During the commencement celebration a Bachelor of Church Ministry was presented to fifteen students. The president of the Association Ivan Mileyev, and the director of “Blagovest” – Aleksandr Pronin, took part in the ceremony. After the commencement address from Ivan Mileyev, there was a prayer of blessing over all the graduates, which was joined in by all of the pastors who were present during this ceremony.

For more information read [an article on the association’s website – click here \(In Russian only.\)](#) For more information about the January’s news from the education ministry department, please visit [the Association’s website – click here \(In Russian only.\)](#)



*Graduates and Instructors*

## **WOMEN'S MEETINGS IN JANUARY**

During January, there were two women's ministry meetings: January 12 – meeting of widows, orphans and the lonely, and on January 19 – meeting of women ministry department's committee. The head of the women's ministry, N. Yurkova, shares about these meetings – [click here to access a website article \(In Russian only.\)](#)



*Women's Ministry Committee*

## **DECEMBER'S UPDATE ABOUT THE MINISTRY OF V. TSVIRINKO**

December's update of the Tsvirinko's family in Moldova can be found here: [in Russian](#) | [In English](#).

## **OUR CHURCHES' PARTICIPATION IN THE RELIEF OF THE PARADISE FIRE**

By now, we shared a few times about different ways of how our Russian-speaking churches responded to the needs of fire victims of Paradise and surrounding regions. The relief efforts are still underway because the help needed is tremendous. We are calling more of us, children of God, to respond and help. Nicolay Kvach who is a pastor at First Slavic Church in Sacramento is the coordinator of the Association's churches relief efforts and can be contacted at 916-706-8990 or [kvachnick@gmail.com](mailto:kvachnick@gmail.com)). Read his accounts on the association's website:

- [Stories of Fire Victims: Jason and Andrea and Their Family](#)
- [Christmas for Fire Victims \(In Russian only\)](#)



### **CHRISTIANS, PLEASE SHOW COMPASSION!**

The fire in Paradise, California, left thousands of people homeless. Thank God that many responded in helping them, including the Christians from Slavic churches. However, the need is still extremely great and disproportionate to the relief aid provided. Please pray for the fire victims and help them in any way that you can. For more information, contact the leader of the project for the aid to the fire victims – Nicolay Kvach. His contact information: (916) 706-8990, [kvachnick@gmail.com](mailto:kvachnick@gmail.com)

You can contribute through the following:

- Through your church
- Through the Association's website: [www.pcsba.com](http://www.pcsba.com) – раздел О нас – Пожертвования – Пожертвования на общие нужды.  
section "About Us" – Contributions – Contributions for general needs.  
In the Commentary section indicate - For Fire Victims
- Send the check to the following address:  
PCSBA  
639 Welland Way  
West Sacramento, CA 95605  
In the **For** section, put: **For Fire Victims**

All donations are **tax deductible**.



## 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.

- [New Year's greetings. Meeting with fire victims. T. Klimushkina](#)
- [About relief project for the Paradise fire victims. Interview with V. Stupin and N. Kvach](#)
- [Answer to the listener's question: "How to Evaluate Your Faith"](#)
- [Interview with L. Vodnevskiy](#)
- [Concerning the work of the Children's Ministry. O. Lakhno](#)
- [Update about the Association's Prison Ministry. V. Onisko](#)
- [Update about the Women's Ministry. N. Yurkov](#)
- [Association's plans for 2019. I. Mlleyev](#)
- News:
  - [News – about events of the upcoming months](#)
  - [Updates on the meeting with immigrants, relief efforts of burn victims, and upcoming events](#)

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## NEWS FROM VARIOUS PLACES

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### HELP THE MINISTRY IN MEXICO!

This was the request of Aleksey Bezinskiy who is a pastor of "House of Prayer" Church located in West Sacramento. For more about the kind of help that they need, [read in his letter – click here \(In Russian only.\)](#)

### PLEA OF THE BIBLE MISSIONS TO PRAY ABOUT CENTRAL ASIA

Due to some recent activities in Central Asia, the Bible Missions requests everyone to intensify prayers about this region. The customs of Tajikistan destroyed a shipment of



Christian literature; in Kazakhstan, the distribution of Bibles during Christmas led to a negative response in the press, and the authorities questioned both the adults and the children who received the Bibles. [Read about this in a mission's website. \(In Russian only.\)](#)

## CONTINUATION OF MINISTRY IN CAMBODIA

God is using the ministry of a missionary Evgeniy Evva and his family in Cambodia in a wonderful way. Along with another family of missionaries, they began ministry in the local schools using puppets for teaching both children and the adults about the birth of Jesus Christ. Watch their video, [which can be accessed on YouTube](#). Please pray for them and their ministry in this very difficult country.

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## EVENTS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ATTENTION!** *IF you would like to have events' announcements to be included in our newsletters, please email that information to [pcsbaca@gmail.com](mailto:pcsbaca@gmail.com) no later than the 23rd of the current month.*

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- **February 1 at 6:30 p.m.**, Second Slavic Church will host a women's seminar led by Vera Orlova from St. Petersburg, Russia. Theme: "Praise and Adoration of God – weapon that will lead to victory." Church address: 6601 Watt Avenue, North Highlands, California 95660. Everyone is welcome! For more information, contact (916) 344-5816
- **February 1-3**, Sierra Pines Camp will host a retreat for the Sunday school ministers. Theme of the retreat is "Enough Lord" and is based on 1 Kings 19. Speaker is S. Tarasenko. All heads of Sunday Schools with their spouses are invited. For more about registration and details of the retreat, please contact the head of the Association's Sunday School Ministry Oleg Lakhno (916) 802-4140 or oleshka-l@mail.ru, or ministry's secretary Natalya Lakhno at (916) 335-6391.
- **February 1-3**, "Revival" Church in Vancouver, Washington will host a counseling seminar with Professor Johannes Reimer as the speaker. Cost of registration - \$150.00. Contact Roman Opryatov for registration at (360) 904-4359 or [r.opryatov@gmail.com](mailto:r.opryatov@gmail.com).



*"Call on your side to help." Rom. 12:8*

**SCHOOL OF PARAKALEO**  
**ШКОЛА ПО ДУШЕПОПЕЧЕНИЮ**

**February 2019**

**1st** 10am - 7pm  
**2nd** 9am - 6pm  
**3rd** start at 4pm

ПРОФЕССОР, ДР. **ИОГАННЕС РАЙМЕР**  
PROF. DR. **JOHANNES REIMER**

Тема Семинара **"Библейская основа душепопечения"**  
Subject for the session **"Biblical Foundation of Counseling"**

REVIVAL CHURCH 411 SE CHKALOV DR VANCOUVER, WA 98683

тел: (360) 904-4359 Романа Опрятов      Registration Fee: \$150  
email: [r.opryatov@gmail.com](mailto:r.opryatov@gmail.com)



- **On Saturday, March 2**, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Second Slavic Church in Sacramento will host a conference organized by "Cornerstone" Church. The theme of the conference: "Condemned to Salvation". During the conference, there will be a discussion of predestination, God's sovereignty,

and freewill of man.

Cost of registration - \$20.00+ 2.85 (registration company fee). Registration on the company's website [Eventbrite \(кликните здесь\)](#). More information and schedule can be found on [the conference's website – click here.](#)

СУББОТА **3.2.19** 9:00 - 17:00

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- **On Saturday, March 16** at 10:00 a.m., Second Slavic Church will host a women's conference "Woman in the Eyes of God" with Vera Orlova from St. Petersburg, Russia as the speaker. Church address: 6601 Watt Avenue, North Highlands, California 95660. Everyone is welcome! Registration cost - \$10.00. For more information and registration contact: (916) 344-5816.
- **On March 29-31**, Grace Church will host the Third Congress of Slavic Christian Youth of North America. The theme of the congress is "More Prayer – More Power" as the theme. Address: 9301 Eden Prairie Rd, Eden Prairie, MN 55347. Information about the schedule, speakers, registration, and more can be found on the Congress' website: <https://syc2019.info/venue>. The current information can also be found on the Congress' Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/slavicyouthcongress>.

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