

Serving Russians and congregations in Russia to grow in faith, hope and love

We have changed our name! For the last decade we have been the Institute of Theology and Christian Ministry (ITCM) in St Petersburg, Russia. We continue to train, in Russian, through ITCM, Russian servants to minister in Russia, but we have enlarged our mission. Not only do we intend, by God's grace, to teach leaders but we also try to reach those seeking God in Russia through our Russian Bible School and, through our singing program, newsletters and conferences, to edify the scattered congregations throughout Russia, in planting and watering. We are the Christian Resource Center Russia.

grace and peace, Igor Egirev president <u>CRCRussia.com</u> St Petersburg, Russia

NEWS UPDATES

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ITCM, Institute of Theology and Christian Ministry

On December 25, twelve ITCM students successfully finished an online course taught by Dr. James Thompson of ACU. The course was quite challenging. It contained deep theology, but on the other hand, it was very spiritually uplifting, which is what you expect from studying the Hebrews with Dr. Thompson.

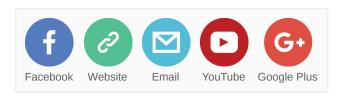
RBS, Russian Bible School

Nina Yuvko, one of RBS students, was baptized into Christ in Adler (Sochi) Church of Christ. RBS teacher Dima Gusarov says that correspondence with her was two years long. It took 38 "snail" letters for her to make a decision to follow Christ. She was baptized in the Black Sea by brother Roman Markov. He is writing: "Right now we continue to study the Bible together. She proved to be a sincere and kind sister in Christ." <u>Photos</u>

Resources

Traditional Festival of Evangelical Culture Epiphany Nights took place in St.Petersburg in January 15-21. It was twelfth Festival since 2005. The Festival was opened by the Evening of Choral Music. As it became a custom, Lyudmila Bolshakova and the Neva Church of Christ were responsible for the organization of it. There were nine choruses from different churches of St.Petersburg. Each of them sang a short program of three songs and at the finale of the concert combined festival chorus sang five hymns together. The number of visitors is growing from year to year. We use those concerts not only as opportunity to introduce Christian culture to people, but also the Gospel, which is the bases of it. *Photos*

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