



CHRISTIAN RADIO FOR RUSSIA

*Sponsor of the New Life Radio Satellite Network-
Moscow, Russia*

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NLR obtains its mass media registration

A new era in mission partnerships with Slavic churches in the USA?

New laws in Russia continue restricting basic freedoms and the Church

Great Bible teachers and young listeners— a recipe for building the Church in Russia

MOSCOW: The Russian federal communications agency *Roskomnadzor*, recently granted our non-profit media ministry, listed as "Satellite Network-New Life" a new 5 year mass media registration. Despite new federal requirements that heavily restrict non-profits with financial support from the West, we were able to reregister the radio network, giving us the legal means to continue our Christian broadcasting. All of us at CRFR thank the Lord for this sign of his protection to continue broadcasting the Gospel throughout Russia.

SACRAMENTO, California: Since 2006, New Life Radio has been able to serve Russian immigrants across the USA via its Internet radio service at www.NLRadio.net. Part of our audience is in California, in cities like Oakland, San Francisco, LA, San Diego and Sacramento—with over 100,000 Russian-speaking residents. This past Christmas, NLR was able to broadcast special Christmas sermons and greetings from a number of Slavic churches in Sacramento. In February, CRFR President Daniel Johnson will be in that city for one month, in order to seek new programming and mission partnerships with these congregations. Please pray that many of these churches will support radio for their homeland!



**KREMLIN: Laws continue
against basic Freedoms**

In the past two months, new laws providing additional regulations and controls over non-profit groups and media continue to restrict the free discussion of topics and activities of people and organizations. These laws have the potential to hinder New Life Radio's work in Russia.

Station policies have been refined to avoid state interference with our broadcasts, while still giving our staff sufficient leeway to discuss issues important to the Church and its work in the many aspects of Russian society (religious, social, political, moral and ethical).

While NLR's task is not to criticize the state, we still have a role to play as a means for the Church to express itself and relate Biblical guidelines to a nation sorely in need of spiritual guidance. Pray for God to protect NLR and for our ability to speak freely as Christians called to be salt and light to a lost world.

*Listen to New Life Radio at
www.NLRadio.net*

New Life Radio staff in 2013: *excellence in Christian radio programming*



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Every month, New Life Radio receives email and text reports from listeners around the Russian-speaking world. There is a recurrent theme to these letters: NLR provides a consistent Biblical message, along with high quality Christian music and outstanding dramatic presentations of the Gospel that makes a difference in people's lives. Through their work, the Church in Russia is being built.

For such a small staff with very limited financial and programming resources, the NLR team is amazingly effective in serving the international Christian community as a media resource that can aid evangelism and discipleship efforts. Whether from a teenager in Moscow or Washington DC listening on an Apple iPhone, a Ukrainian businessman listening through his laptop in Winnipeg, a college student in Siberia tuned in via a cable radio service on campus, a taxi driver listening on FM in a town above the Arctic circle, a bedridden patient in a TB clinic, or a pastor glued to his satellite receiver in a remote village to hear Dr. Charles Stanley teach, NLR is uniquely able to provide satellite radio and Internet-delivered Christian content to communities across the Russian-speaking world. Find out more at www.CRFR.org

Perhaps now is the time when you can make an investment in Christian radio for the nation of Russia that so desperately needs to hear the Gospel.

Co-sponsor a radio missionary family

- Dima & Katya Vatoulya, NLR station director
- Andre & Natasha Starodubstev, on air host
- Inna Nezhelskaya, on air hostess *see next page*

Average support is **\$2000** per month with federal taxes paid to live and work in one of the most expensive cities in the world



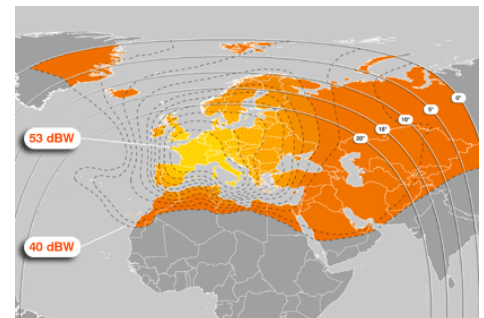
Why not challenge your congregation to invest in our radio missionaries, as your way to guarantee Christian radio for the Russian people?

Or you can sponsor NLR's Broadcasting for 1 day/ \$500 or 1 hour/ \$21

NLR NEEDS URGENT SPONSORSHIP of its HOTBIRD Satellite to reach 93 million homes



A major portion of our radio network is the HOTBIRD satellite, Europe's most popular direct to home broadcast satellite. CRFR must raise **\$2200** every month to pay for our Hotbird radio channel.



New Life Radio satellite coverage area over HOTBIRD

NLR: Up close and personal



Is it possible for just five people to reach the whole world? In a nutshell, YES, it is, and for the last 11 years, New Life Radio has operated as a four person radio staff, handling the same amount of work as stations with 10-20 people. We are proud to show off our dedicated radio team in Moscow, who are doing a wonderful work in proclaiming Christ through radio to the Russian-speaking people of the world. They need your help to continue!



INNA Nezhelskaya

Inna is our most recent addition to the NLR team, after graduating from a Moscow university with a degree in theater and film. NLR played a role in her coming to faith in Christ, and when the time came to serve the Lord, she gladly joined the staff where her skills and training are put to good use on the air.

Inna does double duty as an on air hostess as well as radio production. Her interview programs feature a wide cross section of Christians who are eager to share their faith with listeners across the country

DIMA VATOULYA-NLR station director

Dima has been with NLR since its development in Moscow, and has led the local radio team starting as program director and later as station manager. He is a university and seminary graduate and his multiple skill set (from DJ and theologian, to electronics master and musician) allows him to do every job a radio station needs.

Dima is one of the leading contemporary Christian music artists in Russia, and has led the efforts to help develop Christian radio and promote Gospel music within Russia. He is perhaps the most qualified man overseeing Christian radio in the country today and we are lucky to have him. He is faithfully carrying out God's calling. Dima met his future wife, Katya, at the radio station, and after two years working together on the air, they found love and later built a family. They have three young daughters.

ANDRE STARODUBSTEV -on air host

Andre joined NLR a few years ago after graduating from Moscow State University with a degree in history. He is active at Moscow's Calvary Chapel church as a worship leader and musician.

Andre adds great skill and expertise in relating the Christian life to young people, often partnering with Dima in daily discussion programs that challenge the nation with the claims of Christ and Biblical answers to life's deepest questions. Andre's grasp of history and

the Church makes NLR an extremely interesting station to listen to. He is married to Anastasia and lives in Moscow.

part time staff: **NADIA Zakirova**

\$1350 in support

Nadia is never on the air, but NLR cannot work without her accounting skills, and her defense of our work with state authorities.



DANIEL JOHNSON

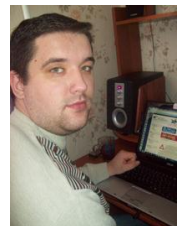
--Founder,
Network
Manager/

Dan works to keep the NLR team equipped to do their job to reach the nation and Russian world for Christ

and who could do Internet radio without a webmaster?

That's the job of our part time man,
Artyom Novikov

\$700/month in support



NLR: Great Bible teachers and young listeners building the next generation of the Church in Russia

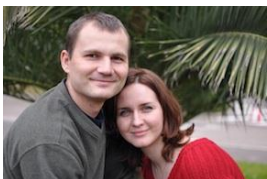


MOSCOW: When New Life Radio began its ministry in 1993, our primary goal was to proclaim the Gospel and sound Biblical doctrine to a country that had experienced little to no Christian content through its secular mass media. 70 years of communist control over Russian radio and TV left a terrible void of spiritual understanding and knowledge of Christ that NLR now sought to fill. To do that, we needed to find the best Bible teachers available. And God did not disappoint us.

Today, New Life Radio features leading Bible teachers from Russia and the USA. Heads of Russian seminaries, evangelical denominations, and leading pastors share the airwaves with a small group of American teachers and preachers who are well equipped to share the message of Christ with our target audience of young people ranging from 16 to 40. The late teens and early twenties are the time of life when a majority of people come to faith.

Because NLR is both non-denominational and youth-oriented, we have an incredible opportunity to attract a wide variety of leaders called to share Christ and teach the Bible to young people. These youth are asking the big questions of life, and after finding the answers in Christ, each needs discipleship to grow in their faith. NLR gives prime airtime to pastors in their 70s who can lead 17 year olds to the Lord, and our Bible teacher list spans three generations in a wonderful mix of elder and young pastors coming together to build the Church in Russia.

Here are some comments this past month from our listeners:



Hello dear NLR! I just recently started listening to you, and now I know you are a very important and greatest gain for me. Thank you so much! I receive so much spiritual knowledge & blessing through you, so much needed information. Please do not ever stop! May the Lord Jesus bless you! **Ludmila from Barkiria**

Dear New Life Radio! You are warriors of life as I see you. May the Lord bind you together more and more. May he keep you in his love. **Luba**

listener comments continued:

NLR, you are simply the best. You work for other people, among them are those who are far away from home. And you are a great encouragement to them! You as Internet-radio – are a place to rest, a calm from the vanity of this world.

Roman from Khabarovsk

Thank you NLR for your hard and beautiful work. May the Lord bless you.

Sergei

Dasha Vaprova &
Oksana Johnson
(NLR trustee) in
Studio A



New Life Radio,

Thanks for the radio! I listen to you with great pleasure and advise you to all my friends! **Darya**

JOIN OUR 10 10 10 Campaign...

CRFR is looking for your church to find **10** people, willing to give **\$10** each month, to support our Tricolor Satellite channel that can reach **10** million homes across Russia.



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