



CHRISTIAN RADIO FOR RUSSIA

Sponsor of the New Life Radio Satellite Network-Moscow

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NEW LIFE RADIO successfully passes inspection by the Russian Ministry of Justice ---

The future of Christian radio under the new Putin administration in Russia

NLR Development activities in Russia

LISTENERS around Russia confirm why they listen to NLR

MOSCOW: God continues his protection of New Life Radio and its ministry to the people of Russia as the radio network once again emerges unscathed from incessant government inspections and oversight of its mission operations.

In our last newsletter, we asked Christians to pray for the station as it underwent a thorough review by officials at the Russian Ministry of Justice in April and May. This was part of a larger effort by the Putin government to monitor the work of non-governmental and not for profit organizations. The ministry checked NLR's operational and financial transactions from the last 5 years, causing much headache and paperwork for our staff. During the last week of May, station manager Dima Vatoulya met with MOJ officials and pointed out numerous errors made by their reviewers, that fortunately were acknowledged by federal supervisors. With a clean slate, NLR will be able to work for three years before the next review comes up.

CRFR would like to thank the many Christians across America who specifically prayed for God's intervention on behalf of this great team of radio missionaries who so effectively serve to proclaim the Gospel to Russian-speakers worldwide!

CHALLENGE GRANT offer is made to support underwriting NLR's airing of *Through the Bible Radio* and *Insight for Living* programs

CRFR has been providing free air time for many years to the ministries of *Through the Bible Radio* (Dr. J. Vernon McGee) and Chuck Swindoll's *Insight for Living* teaching series. Both ministries have repeatedly told NLR over the years they have no funds to cover the airing costs on the NLR Network. These are most excellent programs for our listeners, but we desperately need to



find program sponsors so we can continue airing them. This May, CRFR received an offer of a challenge grant to match \$500 per month to support either of these radio programs.

If you are aware of people who enjoy the English versions of these radio teaching series, and who might feel a call to support these on a monthly basis for the Russian people, please consider helping us raise a total of \$1000 per month. NLR is able to provide the Russian Church with outstanding men of God prepared to faithfully teach his Word, and J. Vernon McGee and Chuck Swindoll are two we are proud to carry. With your help, we will continue this great tradition of transmitting sound Biblical teaching and doctrine to our international radio audience.



The future of Christian Radio under Putin...

Facing the biggest challenge of his political life, Vladimir Putin met a new level of opposition during his recent presidential campaign, one marred with charges of corruption and vote rigging. The opposition was not enough to prevent him taking a majority of votes, and he entered into his 4th presidential term.

An advocate of top down government control, with a history of restricting freedom of the press and religion, Putin's rise to the top presents new obstacles for those hoping to develop new Christian mass media. Since his accession to power in 2000, only a few Christian radio stations have begun,

and more have been shut down, including four of NLR's network FM affiliate stations.

One area where there is still the potential to develop Christian programming is over the Internet—which NLR uses to great effect with its multiple streaming formats. A number of small Internet sites have started in recent years, offering a wide variety of information to people seeking spiritual information. While this opens up opportunities for those who cannot surmount the high financial costs and legal opposition in attempting to start over the air radio or TV broadcasting, the future of Internet in Russia is uncertain, and dependent on political considerations.

Every Internet provider in Russia, by law, must route its cables and streaming into Federal Security Service computer systems, making it very easy for the government to censor or stop any radio streams deemed dangerous to federal officials or policies. This keeps the few Christian Internet sites ever vigilant to avoid problems with the authorities. But being called to proclaim the Gospel freely, despite powers and principalities, every Russian Christian needs to be bold during these days when few mass media outlets dare to speak their minds or the truth freely without fear of government shutdown.

New Life Radio will continue to position itself on foreign-owned satellites that have prime signal areas across Russia and the former Soviet republics, so we can overcome censorship controls put in place by the Putin administration. As with our recent Ministry of Justice inspection--that could have closed NLR permanently--for those who have the desire to share Christ with a public that consumes mass media and utilizes every currently available technical media platform, the first goal will be to access these channels, and then place the content on them that can lead people to a saving relationship with the highest authority, God Almighty.

Please pray for the many startups on Internet channels by believers who want to share their faith and new life in Christ. Today, more people view the Internet in Russia than the leading state-run television *Channel 1*, so the potential for outreach is great. And we also ask prayers for the leaders of Russia, that they might not interfere with those who seek to freely proclaim the Gospel.



TRANSMITTING ON THE AIRWAVES ONE WAY, often leads to a TWO WAY RESPONSE. From our listeners:

Thank you NLR for being BOLD, raising and discussing uncomfortable topics of all kinds! This is very needed and demanded by Christians. We live in a cruel world and need to talk and hear about it. We live in this country and need to understand what is really going on! **Alexei from Saint-Petersburg**



Listener letters continued....

New Life Radio is super! I live in Ukraine in a rural area; we have very weak Internet access here, but I can listen to NLR no problem and I like it! There are many useful topics discussed, and the music is great too! Your work is a blessing to me! Thanks to God and to you! **Yuri**

New Life Radio is a great alternative to secular radio!

I would like to thank you for ministering to people. May the Lord give you wisdom and bless your work! **Aliona from Ukraine**

I never heard about New Life Radio before, but now I am your faithful listener and follower. Music is great, guests are very interesting, your air is alive! Thanks for making a radio like this! **Ola from Elista**

Thanks for being so adequate on the air! You cannot imagine what Christians are thinking about life and world in regions. You are so demanded here! Thanks for having a right attitude for everything! **Rimma Panina from Moscow**

When I was first tuning in your radio station, I was thinking that it would be another boring radio about nothing, as it is usually. But New Life Radio is different. It is very nice and easy to listen. And also you raise very interesting issues in your talk-shows. Thanks! **Valery from Moscow**

Thank you very much for your work! Today I won concert tickets on air! This is so cool! **Lubov Shoshina, Moscow**

Praise to God! It is so wonderful how so few people can do such a high-quality professional broadcasting. It is a true miracle! Keep it up! **Yuri**

Global Internet radio
via **www.NLRadio.net**
audience potential: **UNLIMITED**



KEEPING NLR on the AIR: CRFR expresses its appreciation and gratitude to the COVENANT FOUNDATION, of Cincinnati, Ohio for their generous support!

NEW BOARD MEMBERS JOIN CRFR:

We are pleased to announce the addition of two persons to the board of directors of Christian Radio for Russia: **Randy Vaught and Mark Bodnarczuk**. Randy is the president of Christian Aid Mission, an evangelical ministry based in Charlottesville, Virginia. He is a pastor and committed to equipping indigenous missionaries and pastors around the world. Mark is the President of the Breckenridge Institute, based in Breckenridge, Colorado, and has provided consultation and advice for Daniel Johnson and CRFR for many years. We look forward to their work to help us keep New Life Radio vital and strong in its ministry!



NLR development activities in Russia...looking for a few motivated individuals called to reach a nation and world.

This June, New Life Radio in Moscow is pulling together a new development program, intended to raise mission support for the radio network among the nation's Christian churches and those individuals who benefit from the programming of NLR.

NLR station director, Dima Vatoulya, is working alongside *HCJB-Global*, to sponsor a training conference for seven men from various regions of Russia who will represent NLR and its ministry to denominations, ministries, and churches in their areas. The leadership of many Russian evangelical denominations have lamented their inability to financially support this radio network that has served their needs for 12 years, so NLR must find new means to raise awareness and support in order to secure desperately needed funds to add a few more full time staff and cover the costs of the station's growing telecom expenses over satellite and Internet.

Here in the states, our current fundraising project, the *10 10 10 Campaign* is starting to take off, and we trust God will help us find 100 churches in America willing to raise \$100 per month to reach the 10 million home audience we currently have through the TRICOLOR Satellite TV Network. (see the last page for our brochure)

We are seeking a few motivated individuals, perhaps retired persons with business or fundraising experience, to help us meet our minimum budget goal of \$20,000 each and every month to keep New Life Radio broadcasting the Gospel throughout the world. If you are interested, please contact Daniel Johnson at the CRFR office in New York.

NEW LIFE RADIO is a small missions team able to reach millions... one at a time, anywhere in the world.

Dima Vatoulya, Andre Starodubstev
Inna Nezhelskaya, Nadia Zakirova



NEW LIFE RADIO is also a team of committed Christians in Russia and America who come together to ensure that young Russian-speaking people around the world can be introduced to Jesus, brought to him in faith, and then disciplined into mature Christians.

If you wish to be part of this wonderful team of believers, working to see the Great Commission actually carried out to the ends of the earth, we invite you to join us today!

Thanks to all of you who have kept New Life Radio lifted up in prayer, and with your tithes, especially these last few months!

LISTEN TO NLR In Russia, Europe, Eastern Europe and Israel

via HOTBIRD satellite radio
audience potential: 93 million homes

Russia, Ukraine, Eastern Europe
via TRICOLOR TV Satellite network
audience potential: 10 million homes



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10- 10- 10 Campaign for Russia **--Bringing a nation to Christ** **through Radio by calling 1000 to serve**



GIVE ***TO RAISE*** ***TO REACH***
\$10 /month **\$10,000/month** **10 MILLION homes**

New Life Radio-Moscow (NLR) has been proclaiming the Gospel to Russia since 1996, and brings young people to Christ through its Christian programming available through direct to home satellite radio, Internet radio and FM radio.

On January 1, 2012, NLR began broadcasting over Russia's largest satellite network, TRICOLOR TV, that now claims 10 million homes connected to it across the nation.

To minister to this new vast audience with the Gospel, NEW LIFE RADIO needs to raise a minimum \$10,000 each month. We are calling out to 1000 people to pledge \$10 each month, (or 100 churches with 10 people from each, pledging \$10 per month) so we can minister to 10 million homes and nearly 30 million people that can tune into our radio station.



RUSSIA NEEDS Christian radio, and your support will allow us to proclaim Christ through our broadcasts, while giving the Church a new voice to guide the Russian people as they face the future. \$10 a month to reach 10 million homes: help us replicate the miracle of Jesus feeding the multitude with the smallest of resources. The harvest is great, but the workers are few. With your help, we can reach **MANY!**

Partner with NEW LIFE RADIO to reach Russia and the Russian-speaking world for CHRIST!

Contact ***CHRISTIAN RADIO FOR RUSSIA*** today!

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