

Bibliography

For detailed notes on this section we ask readers to refer to *RCL* No. 1 (p. 34) – especially on photocopying rates.

In this issue we list all documents recently received at CSRC carrying dates from the beginning of 1972. Press articles are limited to the months May-June 1973 and as from this issue will continue on a two-monthly basis. *RCL* No. 1, 1974, will begin a new section, listing Soviet books on religion and atheism.

The CSRC urgently requires full texts of all documents and press articles (marked by asterisk) in readers' possession, not yet received at its office. Please check on the relevant period as it is covered in the Bibliography.

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28. *The system of higher education in the USSR* by Andrei Dubrov, Moscow, August. Dubrov (now living in the West) relates his experience as a student and political dissenter – and as a believer. Russian (re-typed in the West) 19 pp. Italian in *Russia Cristiana* No. 128, pp. 47-56.
29. *Extract from a letter to a friend in the West* from G. M. Shimanov, Moscow, undated. On religious and philosophical trends in Russia as typified by the unofficial journal *Veche*. Russian (re-typed in the West) 5 pp.
30. *Letter to Natalya Sergeevna* from G. M. Shimanov, Moscow, 25 October 1972. Similar to the last item. Russian (re-typed in the West) 6 pp.
31. *Open letter* from Adele Naidenovich – “Latest news of Pyotr Yakir” – 23 December 1972. The writer, wife of V. Osipov, editor of *Veche*, was called to Lefortovo prison for interrogation and then a confrontation with the prisoner Yakir. She was horrified by his altered behaviour and appealed to him to “fear God”. Russian (re-typed in the West) 6 pp. English in *Human Rights in the U.S.S.R.*, No. 9, 1973, appendix.
32. *The unsuccessful attempt to destroy the Russian Orthodox Church in 1922-1923 and the defeat of left-wing communism* by M. B.-B., Moscow, undated. Mentions the letter allegedly written by Lenin about the enforced confiscation of Church valuables which “recently circulated in the press” – its genuineness has not been finally established. The writer argues for a connection between early Soviet anti-Church policy and the political power-struggle of the period. Russian: sent for publication to the *Ostkirchliches Institut der Augustiner*, Würzburg, text not yet available at CSRC. German in *Ostkirchliche Studien*, September 1973, pp. 105-149.

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1. *Anonymous report* on the arrest of P. Starchik (on 20 April 1972) and his confinement in the Kazan mental hospital (in January 1973) for his philosophical and religious views. Undated, probably January or February 1973. Russian (re-typed in the West) 2 pp.
2. *Conversation with a German publisher* by Vladimir Maximov, undated, probably spring 1973. He speaks about himself and answers questions about his writings and ideas. Russian in *Possev* No. 8, 1973, pp. 3-5.

3. *Declaration* to the Moscow Procurator from V. N. Osipov, Alexandrov (Vladimir Region), 1 May 1973. He protests against the illegal search of his typist's flat and the confiscation of *Veche* No. 7. Russian (re-typed in the West) 2 pp.
4. *New soundings of Stalinism* by M. S. Agursky, Moscow, 14 May 1973. This is a review of R. A. Medvedev's book "Let History Judge" published in Moscow in *samizdat*, 1973. Agursky suggests that Medvedev under-emphasised the national, especially the Jewish, and religious questions. He gives some interesting insights into Stalin's religious policies. Russian (photocopy) 2 pp.
5. *Press statement* by Yevgeni Barabanov, 15 September 1973. The Orël division of the KGB searched his flat on 24-25 August and confiscated a large amount of literature. Barabanov has been responsible for sending a number of documents, including religious ones, to the West, and defends the need for a free flow of information. Russian (re-typed in the West) 4 pp. English translation available from CSRC; extracts in *The Tablet* 6 October 1973, pp. 939-940. A UPI press release in Barabanov's harassment by the KGB was briefly reported in a wide range of Western newspapers, e.g. *The Times* 20 September 1973.
6. *Utopia and Hope* by Pavel Zarnitsyn, undated. A critique of the essay by S. Telegin "How to live", published in *Vestnik RSKhD* No. 103. He argues that Telegin was not sufficiently positive about Christianity, which Zarnitsyn says holds the only answer to history. Russian in *Vestnik RSKhD* No. 107, pp. 153-9.

EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS AND BAPTISTS

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75. *Declaration* to the International Red Cross, Geneva, from Maria V. Rempel, Ivanovka, Kirgizia, 18 September. She was released on 21 February after serving 1½ years in labour camp and is now being fined again. Unable to get a job, she cannot pay the fines. Russian – photocopy – 2 pp.
76. *Declaration* to Dr. Waldheim, to the President of the XXVII session of UN General Assembly, to the President of the International Red Cross and to the President of the Baptist World Alliance from the Baptists of Frunze, 15 October. They are suffering increasing persecutions – some Christians have been arrested and others harassed. The UN is apparently powerless to help and the believers appeal instead for prayer. Russian – photocopy – 5 pp.
77. *Appeal* to the Soviet government from Ivan M. Koptilo and 150 Kiev Baptists, 5 November. They appeal on behalf of Lidia Vins who is seriously ill and must be properly treated, or she will die. Russian text not yet available at CSRC. Danish in *Dansk Europamission*, October 1973, p. 6.
78. *Appeal* to Dr. Waldheim, Mr. Nixon, Mr. Pompidou, Mr. Brandt and all Christians from the Baptists in Frunze, 24 November. They appeal to the heads of Christian states to establish peace with justice – to recognize the Council of Churches as the spiritual centre of Soviet Christians and to fight for religious freedom in the USSR. Russian – photocopy – 2 pp.
79. *Report* to Mr. Brezhnev and Mr. Kosygin and to "all men of good will" from the Baptists of Frunze, 27 November. There is a new wave of persecution against believers with arrests, threats and accusations of child sacrifice.

Special mention of I.D. Kushnerchuk. They call on the government to repent. Russian – photocopy – 2 pp.

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6. *Calendar* for 1973 published on the press “The Christian”. The texts on alternate sides of this small leaflet are “Behold I come quickly” and “Come Lord Jesus”. Christian festivals are noted.
7. *Declaration* to the USSR Procuracy from Yu. I. Mikhalkov in labour camp in Sverdlovsk region, 29 January. He was sentenced on 17 March 1972. Russian – microfilm print of handwritten – 1 p.
8. *Declaration* to Mr. Podgorny and Mr. Rudenko from 88 members of the Leningrad reform Baptist church, 18 February. They express their solidarity with Nikolai Baturin, the arrested pastor from Rostov. Russian text not yet available at CSRC. Danish in *Dansk Europamission*, September 1973, p. 6.
9. *Declaration* to Mr. Podgorny *et al* from 213 Baptists in Kharkov, undated (not before 14 May). Boris Zdorovets was re-arrested on 2 May and has begun a hunger-strike. Russian – photocopy of handwritten – 1 p. English in *Open Doors*, June-July 1973, p. 14.
10. *Open letter* to Mr. Podgorny *et al* from 150 Baptists in Kharkov, undated (not before 14 May). A delegation of six to the Supreme Soviet was turned away. The arbitrary treatment of Zdorovets gives rise to fears for his life. Russian – photocopy of handwritten – 1 p. English in *Open Doors*, June-July 1973, p. 15.
11. *Appeal* to Dr. Waldheim from the church at Barnaul (85 signatures), 20 June. They ask him to forward this letter to the Soviet government and to publicise it in the West. They write about events in 1973: new arrests, Soviet press reactions to the Moiseyev affair. Russian – typed original with signatures – 6 pp.
12. *Declaration* to Mr. Kosygin from Baptists in K.-Libknecht, Kursk region, 1 July. This church suffered persecution in the 1960’s, was undisturbed from 1970, but now trouble has started again. They appeal for their constitutional rights. Russian – carbon original copy – 2 pp. plus 1 p. signatures.
13. *Bulletin of the Council of Prisoners’ Relatives* No. 12; August. Makes special mention of Zdorovets. The number of prisoners is growing again; this issue includes a composite list as of 15 June with 186 names. There is also a photograph of 26 new prisoners. Russian – typed original – 28 pp. plus prisoner list 26 pp.
14. *Appeal* to all Christians from Zoya P. Radygina, Perm, 20 August. She became a Christian in 1964, her husband left her in 1968; she has four children between the ages of twenty and six. On 8 June she was deprived of parental rights for the three youngest, and on 1 August the two smallest were taken away – the other girl was not at home and is now in hiding. Russian – microfilm print of handwritten – 1 p.
15. *Complaint* to Mr. Brezhnev from Z. P. Radygina, Perm, 1 September. Because of the one-Party system in the USSR, he is personally responsible for the fact that her two smallest children have been taken away – this happened while he was in the USA speaking of peace. Russian – microfilm print of handwritten – 1 p.

ROMAN CATHOLIC AND EASTERN-RITE CATHOLIC

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16. *Chronicle of the Lithuanian Catholic Church* No. 3, 20 July. Lithuanian text (20 pp.) available in the West, not yet at CSRC.
17. *Chronicle of the Lithuanian Catholic Church* No. 4. Lithuanian text (36 pp.) not yet available at CSRC. Italian in *ELTA-Press* No. 4, 1973, pp. 3-23.

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1. *Chronicle of the Lithuanian Catholic Church* No. 5, 19 March. Lithuanian text (15 pp.) available in the West, not yet at CSRC.
2. *Chronicle of the Lithuanian Catholic Church* No. 6, May. Lithuanian text (24 pp.) available in the West, not yet at CSRC.

PENTECOSTAL

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1. *Report* by officials of the Stupino metallurgical combine (Moscow region) of a meeting at the home of G. S. Mashkovsky, 6 February. 23 names and addresses are listed. This document was previously listed as DS/72/B/51 (see *News in Brief*, RCL 4/5, p. 64). Russian text not yet available at CSRC. English translation (duplicated).
2. *Letter to the United Nations*, anonymous, 28 May. Various names of persecuted Christians are given, but no details of signatories or place of origin. This document was previously listed as DS/72/B/52. Russian text – photocopy of handwritten – 2 pp. English translation available (duplicated).

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2. *Letter to Sakharov* from 35 Soviet Jews, undated. They express their solidarity with him in the struggle for human rights and deplore the press campaign against him. They close with the words “God bless you”. Russian text not yet available at CSRC. English in *Jews in the USSR* 14 September 1973, p. 1.

MISCELLANEOUS

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1. *Appeal* to the European Security Conference from 10 former political prisoners. They request the establishment of an international commission on prisons and labour camps. The confiscation of religious literature in Soviet prisons is mentioned. Signatories include V. Osipov, editor of *Veche*. Russian text not yet available at CSRC. Reference in *Daily Telegraph* 31 August 1973, p. 4.
2. *Appeal* addressed to David Floyd from the “Ukrainian National Liberation Front,” posted in Berlin during the World Youth Festival, July. The appeal mentions the Baptists Moiseyev and Khmara, and the Eastern-Rite priest Romanyuk; the writers request freedom for political and religious prisoners. Ukrainian text (one typed page) with David Floyd. English translation printed by the Ukrainian Information Service.
3. *Interview* between two Western journalists and Alexander Solzhenitsyn, 23 August. On dissent in Russia and the value of Western protest. Many

religious references. French in *Le Monde*, 29 August 1973. English in *Survey* Autumn 1973, pp. 163-177.

SOVIET PRESS ARTICLES

The following periodicals were received too late for inclusion in the last issue:

Zhurnal Moskovskoi Patriarkhii, February 1973, pp. 27-8. During a celebration at the Moscow Theological Academy for the 50th anniversary of the USSR (December 1972) there was a talk by a lecturer from the (atheist) *Znanie* society.

Zhurnal Moskovskoi Patriarkhii, March 1973, p. 27. A church in Tlumach, Ukraine, was built in 1928, damaged in the last war, rebuilt by parishioners and consecrated on 8 October 1972.

Zhurnal Moskovskoi Patriarkhii, April 1973, p. 25. On 19 November 1972 Bishop Anatoli of Lithuania celebrated the liturgy at the Orthodox cathedral of Vilnius in the presence of Roman Catholic clergy; he was then received by Mgr. Kriksciunas in the Catholic cathedral of SS Peter and Paul.

Date *May 1973*

- *Agitator* 9/73, pp. 51-4. "The fate of Alla Lobanova". A woman belonged first to the Pentecostals, then Jehovah's Witnesses, now an atheist.
- 17 *Sovetskaya Belorussia*. "We need precise evaluation". The church has never contributed to enlightenment.
- 19 *Znanya yunosti*. "Restorer of ancient treasures". Important restoration work in Tallinn includes churches.
- 25 *Kommunist Tadzhikistana*. "Perfecting atheist propaganda". Plenary meeting of Tadzhik branch of *Znanie* society admits defects in atheist work.
- 31 *Znanya yunosti*. "When the bell gives a false note". Why monuments should be preserved — the police destroyed a village church belfry in 1964.
- *Zhurnal Moskovskoi Patriarkhii* 5/73, p. 4. A series of episcopal transfers replaces Archbishop Filaret as Rector of the Moscow theological schools, Bishop of Dmitrov and Vicar-Bishop of the Moscow diocese, by Bishop Vladimir, formerly of Chernigov and Nezhin (see *RCL* 4/5 pp. 66-7 on the closure of Chernigov cathedral).
- *Ditto*, pp. 48-52. "Friendly links between the Russian Orthodox and Anglican Churches". A survey from the origins to the present.
- *Ditto*, pp. 79-80. "Theological works". A review of numbers 7 (1971) and 8 (1972).
- *Nauka i religia* 5/73 pp. 4-7. "We are read with interest". The deputy editor of *Vecherni Leningrad* admits that believers can outwit atheist workers who are inadequately prepared.
- *Ditto*, pp. 49-54. "Quiet Burny". Problems of teaching Old Believer children in Krasnoyarsk krai.
- *Politicheskoye samoobrazovanie* 5/73, pp. 72-8. "Social views of contemporary Orthodoxy". From supposed political neutrality, the Church has moved to a "progressive" position.

Date *June 1973*

6 *Freundschaft*. "Trouble wasted". Soviet Germans, especially believers, receive parcels from abroad.

- 9 *Sovetskaya Belorussia*. "Conviction against illusions". Religion and atheism among youth of Brest.
- 10 *Sovetskaya Moldavia*. "After baptism". A baby girl dies after being baptised on a winter day (see *RCL* 4/5 p. 66).
- 15 *Sovetskaya Belorussia*. "Life closes the door". No more churches are functioning in Prisynek village.
- 16 *Pravda*. "Tolerance is not permitted". Ukrainian is expelled from Party candidature because his child was baptised (see *RCL* 4/5 p. 66).
- 24 *Kommunist Tadzhikistana*. "Preacher on the run". Reform Baptist Yantsen is due for trial. Plett has been elected as Central Asian leader (see *RCL* 4/5 p. 66).
- 24 *Turkmenskaya iskra*. A speech by the Turkmen Party Secretary mentions the persistence of Islam (see *RCL* 6, p. 33).
- 26 *Sovetskaya Rossia*. "Miracle of the ancient land". Changes in Buryatia have brought literacy to former Shamanistic areas.
- 28 *Sovetskaya Estonia*. "You are 18". New traditions in Estonia, especially the Summer Days (see *RCL* 4/5 pp. 28-33).
- 30 *Izvestia*. "Fabrication of ideological diversionists". Alleged Novosti publications attack Islam.
- *Zhurnal Moskovskoi Patriarkhii* 6/73, p. 3. Patriarch Pimen congratulates Mr. Brezhnev on receiving the Lenin Peace Prize.
- *Ditto*, p. 25. On 14 November Archbishop Ionafan was welcomed to his new diocese of Kishinev and Moldavia. Since June 1970 he had been Archbishop of Tambov and Michurinsk and before that he had been Central European Exarch and American Exarch.
- *Ditto*, pp. 79-80. A review of the Ukrainian Exarchate's journal *Pravoslavni Visnyk* for 1972.
- *Bratsky vestnik* 3/73, p. 72. A Hungarian congregation in Beregovo, Transcarpathia, have services in their native language.
- *Ditto*, pp. 73-4. The prayer houses in Tula and Novomoskovsk have undergone repairs; in Tula the local authorities helped with the acquisition of building materials.
- *Nauka i religia* 6/73, pp. 8-14. "A duty to generations". On the meticulous restoration of old churches – complaint of tourist vandalism.
- *Ditto*, pp. 66-70. "Pedagogical and atheist knowledge for parents". On the work of the Society for the Secular School in Poland.

NOTES ON PUBLICATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS QUOTED AS SOURCES

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- Human Rights in the U.S.S.R.* (monthly periodical of the International Committee for the Defence of Human Rights in the U.S.S.R.) 28 place Flagey, B-1050 Brussels, Belgium.
- Open Doors* (bi-monthly magazine of Brother Andrew). Published in Britain by "Open Doors", Hornsway House, Standlake, nr. Witney, Oxon.
- Ostkirchliche Studien* (quarterly journal of the Ostkirchliches Institut der Augustiner). Steinbachtal 2a, Würzburg, West Germany.