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Society and the Individual: the work of the Pokrov Foundation is marked by the concept of the integral approach to the social problems and a personalized approach to the people in need. Our work is inspired by the Christian understanding of metanoia, the renewal of the person as the first step to any social change.



The Church as an Actor of Community Change in Bulgaria

By Plamen Sivov

Religion traditionally has played a major role in shaping communities. In modern civil societies, religious beliefs are still among the key factors that bond people together to form communities, both large and small. In countries like the United States, it is often emphasized by researchers that religious communities are the backbone of American civil society. Most of the modern social institutions' roots in many countries, such as hospitals, schools, retirement homes, etc., can be traced back in the structures of the churches.

The church is often regarded as an institution itself, and this attitude is often passed onto the social institutions that the church creates and maintains. In many countries the church has a special place among the state's institutional partners, as a key provider of a long range of social services. However, with the advancement of the welfare state, the continuing secularization of modern societies and the further separation between church and state, the institutional role of the church decreases. The religious institution can be a full-fledged provider of certain social services at acceptable levels of quality, but all other things being equal, it is in a position to compete for state or public support with secular providers of similar services only within certain limits. And these limits are exactly the communal

dimensions of the church's approach to social problems. Therefore, the Church may be of interest to the state and to the NGOs exclusively in its capacity of a distinct community, and not so much as an institution. Further in the text I will try to argument this statement.

Whenever a communal spirit, high level of personal motivation, or a personal approach to the sometimes dehumanized "target groups" is needed, the church has a lot to offer. The church cannot compete on the grounds of quantity, but it has no match on the grounds of quality or holistic personalized approach, when it comes to provision of different

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Diakonia The fundamental Christian calling

Joy Foundation and the Pokrov Parish Centre

The Parish Centre was the first larger project of the foundation, which started in 1998 and was implemented by the organization for nearly 10 years.

In 2006 it was decided to transfer the governance of the Centre to the local parish, through a new NGO, the Joy Foundation.

The Centre continues to play an important role in the life of not only the local community, but for the city of Sofia as well, being one of the few places with such an extensive diakonial, educational and cultural activity.

In 2007 the Foundation has continued to support the basic diakonial programs of the Pokrov Parish Centre.



Day Care CentreFor handicapped children

The Day Care Centre supports parents of children and youth with special needs to cope with the many problems, related to education, upbringing and integration. In this way we provide additional help to the families, who have experienced the limited capacity of the state educational and social welfare system.

The children who use the services of the centre suffer different types of disabilities: Down syndrome, epilepsy, autism, intellectual deficit. Our program helps them grow a normal and happier life.

In 2007 the centre has provided education by adapted school methods, according to the individual needs and capacities of the children and the youth. 10 children have undergone special education programs. Another aspect of the work is the reintegration of children who have dropped out of the public schools.

Individual consultations have been provided on a regular basis to 12 children and their parents, with the aim to help them to better handle the education, the problems and the upbringing of the children. Another

On the roundabout

Children of the Pokrov Day Care enjoy the warm summer day at a playground. Staff at the Centre ensure they receive not only specialized care and education, but just plain human joy. (Once in a while, of course :-)



group of children consists of ones who have led isolated lives. The goal of this program is that the children start visiting a public, private or specialized schools (i.e. a specialized school for hearing disabled). 4 such children have been successfully integrated in 2007.

Throughout the year the centre has been providing individual psychologic and logopaedic support to children and youth with special needs.

The main challenges to the centre are related to the fact that the capacity of the organization (and its facility) does not allow to extend the number of children served. In addition, parents with low income find it hard to pay even a minimal fee for the services provided. There is a felt need for additional funding in order to implement specialized programs that help the youth find proper jobs after graduating from the schools. The work of the centre is also affected by the continuous lack of communication and collaboration between the state social institutions.

Social Integration Through arts

This project involves some 30 children from orphanages around Sofia. The goal is to prepare the children for indpendent life after they leave the institution. Participants learn to use simple tools, to plan and organize their work. It has been proven by practice, that simple giving to older children without providing conditions for their personal development does not help them in a long term perspective.

Within the project, the children produce greeting cards for different feasts and holidays. Cards are sold to large companies. Currently the project offers over 450 different models and sells around 18-20 000 cards each year. The income from the sales is received by the participating children as pocket money or saved in their personal accounts.

In 2007, the project was supported for a second year by the First Investment Bank, within a programme for corporate responsibility.









Home Care For the elderly

The Foundation runs a special project for elderly people, providing home care assistance to residents of Sofia.

The elderly are visited daily by home care assistants and receive support in their everyday needs, such as: taking the meals, basic medical and sanitary activities, shopping, filling documents, washing, help with the personal hygiene, etc.

Our patients are often neglected or abandoned by their relatives and rely on the support from the home care assistants. Others suffer severe illnesses, such as multiple sclerosis.

The project is being entirely supported for a fourth consecutive year by the governmental programme "Assistance for Retirement".



Social Integration of disadvantaged youth

Since its inception in 1994, the Pokrov foundation has been particularly sensitive to the problems of the various disadvantaged groups in Bulgarian society. Through dozens of projects, oriented to people of different age, ethnic and religious background, the Foundation has sought to be of assistance to the ones who have suffered most from the calamities of the social transformation that has marked the transition of Bulgaria to democracy and free-market economy.

The hallmarks of our approach towards the people in need has been the personalized approach, in contrast to often cold "target groups" impersonal attitude many of them have been used to when dealing with the social services of the state or larger international programmes for assistance. For the leadership and staff of the Foundation, the human person has a dignified and integral nature, with material, as well as spiritual needs, which are addressed properly only in real-life person-toperson communication.

In 2007, the Foundation has provided targeted support to young adults who have left the many orphanages in the country and are looking for ways to start living on their own. At the age of 18 the children of the some 90 orphanages in Bulgaria have to leave these institutions, and the state does not provide any means for their integration. Most of them end up living in temporary shelters in the cities in appalling conditions and with little perspective for finding a job. Many of



Valentina Ivanova (now 24) had to leave the orphanage. where she had spent all her life, at the age of 20. After trying to find a job in a big city, she ended up living with a man, from which she had a child. She underwent heavy domestic violence, lived in a trafficking and violence and lost contact with her first child. She now has a second child and lives at a Christian center for homeless young adults, with the assistance of the Pokrov Foundation.

the girls become easy victims of traffickers, boys join criminal gangs or beggars' groups.

The Foundation has provided for 30 young adults social counselling and covering some basic administrative fees (issuing of ID cards, medical certificates, etc.) in this programme, whose goal is to provide a complex assistance to the grown-ups in their efforts to find a job, rent a flat, organize their finances and all the other necessary social skills they never had a chance to obtain at the orphanages.

In cooperation with three state-run shelters for temporary hosting of homeless in the Sofia area, the young people are directed to the Foundation, where each case is examined individually.

Depending on the case, the person is directed to the relevant institutions (some of the handicapped children, for example, do not now which state agency to address and how to fill the necessary papers), to other organizations, partner NGOs who run shelters and have proper living facilities. In most of the cases there is a necessity to address directly potential employers who could be willing to hire the youngsters and to assist them in the formalities (issuing of necessary documents).

There has been small-scale individual support provided for several cases where urgent medical intervention has been necessary for some of the young people, who did not have any medical insurance.



The Other Face of Transition:
As Bulgaria rebuilds its democratic institutions and marvels at joining the EU, for large groups of the population the last 20 years have been synonymous for poverty, injustice and fear.

Social Injustice and the vulnerable

Ivanina Koleva is a middle-aged single woman with a university diploma in social sciences who used to live with her aging mother in a small Bulgarian town. Due to family disturbances, her own brother managed to evict her and her mother from their home and they ended up sleeping on the streets, going from institution to institution, with no means of support (Ivanina had lost her job years ago, the pension of her mother was around 40 EUR). They spent over 5

months on the streets, desperately trying to find a solution.

With the help of the Foundation, they were provided a temporary shelter for the winter months of 2006-2007. The Foundation has addressed a number of human rights organizations in an effort to help them solve their legal and social case.

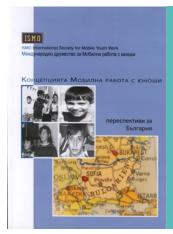
A lawyer was hired who has helped Ivanina and her mother to defend their rights. In the spring of 2007 the two ladies have successfully returned to their home. This case has taught us a valuable lesson: that dropping out of society can happen to anyone.

Mobile Youth Work Multiplying the outcomes

The Pokrov Foundation launched the Mobile Youth Work project in an attempt to address the problems of street children in Bulgaria.

In cooperation with the Germany-based organization ISMO (International Society for Mobile Youth Work), the foundation has implemented a number of workshops and training seminars in the period 2005-2007. The seminars gathered dozens of participants from central and local state institutions, responsible for child protection and juvenile delinquency prevention.

An international methodology for working with street youth was introduced in the seminars, and was largely appreciated by the state authorities which are looking for ways to transform the lessons learned into national standards for mobile youth work.



As a result from the seminars' inputs and presentations, in 2007 a book was published in Bulgarian language, which summarized the basic elements of the ISMO/Pokrov mobile youth work methodology. The book was received by all

related NGOs.

Minding the Heritage

In 2007 the Christian world celebrated the 1600th anniversary of the great teacher of the Universal church, St. John Chrysostom a figure admired both in the East and in the West.

The Pokrov Foundation has supported a theological symposium dedicated to St. John Chrysostom, which was held at the Veliko Turnovo University.







Celebrating the gift:

These ladies are members of a small village community in Central Bulgaria (Novi Lak). Their organization "Social Patronage" has been supported by the Pokrov Foundation with the purchase of a pick-up vehicle (on the right) that will be used to disburse food to elderly people under a home-care programme.

Diakonia Fund Investing in the Future

Since its establishment, the Pokrov Foundation has been actively supporting church-related initiatives, creating or strengthening the religious communities' capacity to implement diakonial activities and various educational, publishing and cultural programmes. In 2007, a number of challenging new projects have been supported in addition to the already established partnerships.

Projects supported through the Diakonia Fund:

The Joy Foundation

Pokrov Parish Centre Diakonial Activities

The Day Care Centre Foundation

Day Care Centre Project for Children with

Disabilities

The Philokalia Association Patrologia Bulgaria Website

Sofia City Library

Little Christian Magazine and Children Essay

Contest

The Metropoly of Russe Conference on Spirituality and Diakonia

The St. George Parish

Integration of Juvenile Delinquent Youth at the
Boichinovci Institution

The St. Philaret the Compassionate Association Sanitary Materials for the Shelter of Abandoned Youth in Stara Zagora

The Vidin Metropoly

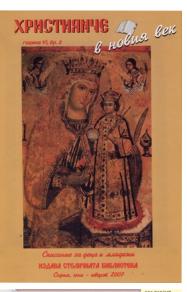
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For the Little Ones:

The Foundation has supported the publishing of a periodical, providing basic knowledge on Christianity for the children aged 7-15. The monthly magazine is called "Little Christian" and is published by the Sofia City Library.





For the Students and Scientists

A new internet site has been launched with the support of the Pokrov Foundation. It is dedicated to patristic studies (early Church history and writings) and will be maintained by and serving the students of theology, as well as academic researchers. The site holds a valuable library collection in Latin, Greek, English, Russian and Bulgarian languages.

Old and New

11 organizations have received used equipment form the Foundation, after a call for proposals procedure.



Disaster Preparedness and Response Building the Structure



Unloading the bricks:

Supporting the floodaffected people in the Oryahovo region (on the Danube river) -April 2007.

In April 2007 the Pokrov Foundation disbursed building materials for the people, damaged by the floods and the activated landslides in Oryahovo during the spring of 2006.

The whole region was badly damaged and for the reconstructions of the private houses, we needed to delay the delivering of building materials, as the first step was to strengthen and drain the landslide itself and after to allow the reconstructions. The project for landslide stabilization was implemented by specialists from the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Welfare. During the actual (EUBU 61) project period (May – November 2006), it was possible to deliver only materials for small basic repairs. As the collaboration and coordination on local level among representatives of Pokrov Foundation, the municipality and the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Goods was working well, an action plan was made how to proceed afterward.

Representatives of the Ministry project implementers, building technicians and specialists from the local authorities and Pokrov Foundation staff explored the landslide region in March, with the main task to prepare technical evaluation of the houses' damages and to ascertain what type of building materials are necessary for the big repairs. The formed team was following the recommendations and the expertise of the specialists, responsible for the landslide strengthening, e.g. where is allowed to have reconstructive activities and where it is forbidden – all was depending on the places where the drills, the channels and the pumping-shafts were situated.

Families got additional building materials, namely: 25 500 t cement, 65.5 m3 sand, 132 m3 rubble, 28 700 bricks, 3445 kg lime, 12 m3 wood material, 154 m2 iron net, 535 kg gypsum and 3100 kg armature, materials, which were given out depending on every building damages and the needs for repairs, according to the recommended activities. Materials were delivered to every damaged house and affected family following the preliminary prepared lists. The amount spent for the additional building materials delivery was 39 800.75 leva.



Laying the Foundations:

The Pokrov Foundation has implemented the first training project for church-related structures and organizations, which aims at building a disaster preparedness and emergency response structure, maintained by the Bulgarian churches.



Danube, the largest river from Central-Eastern Europe is crossing Southern Romania and northern Bulgaria creating meanwhile a natural border between the two countries. During the past 100 years, the Danube became an important economic factor both for Romania and Bulgaria, in terms of water resource, electricity production, navigation, fishing and irrigation. During the 50 years of socialism, the resources of Danube were seriously abused by the leading regimes of both countries, exploiting its capacity to the fullest. On the Romanian side, Danube's riverbed was narrowed as much as was possible, in order to gain more fertile land for the centrally planned communist agriculture. This lead to raising on the Romanian side continuous earth dams along the Danube.

A few days before celebrating Orthodox Easter in the year 2006, many parts of Romania were still recovering from the 2005 floods that claimed scores of lives and destroyed houses, farmland and infrastructure worth hundreds of millions of Euro. At exactly the same timing as a year before, a new calamity swept through southern Romania, affecting this time northern Bulgaria as well. After a harsh wintertime, the river Danube has been swollen by heavy rain and melting snow, accumulating enormous quantities of water. Reaching Romania and Bulgaria in the week-end

of 14-16 April, its flowing debit reached the historical record of 16.000 cubic meters per second, causing havoc in the southern Romanian and northern Bulgaria territories. Across the region, thousands of emergency workers and volunteers have been deployed round the clock to reinforce defenses and battle the churning waters, trying to bolster dikes and dams along the Danube, which has surged to its highest level in more than a century.

A state of emergency has been declared in both countries, in the immediate neighboring areas of the Danube. The floods have submerged in the two countries thousands of homes, leaving behind many homeless and tens of thousands more at further risks. Thousands of villagers have fled from their homes as flood waters from the overflowing Danube river spread across southern Romania and northern Bulgaria. People who lost their houses were sleeping in army tents or in improvised shelters provided by the local authorities/municipalities from the two countries. Compassionate citizens from Romania and Bulgaria offered to host some of the displaced families in other parts of the region, less affected by flooding. The local mayors have provided basic assistance for those accommodated in local shelters or community buildings. The disaster-afflicted people found themselves in even harsher condition than

usual, as most of those hit by the severe flooding of the Danube were poor village farmers.

The two organizations, AIDRom (Romania) and Pokrov Foundation (Bulgaria) have initiated a humanitarian assistance program for the victims of the disaster within the ACT (Action by Churches Together) network, providing support during the crisis phase and further in the post crisis rehabilitation. The main goal of the two organizations through the humanitarian program was to alleviate the suffering of the affected families, to mitigate the effects of the flood on the small rural communities and help them on the path to recovery. This goal was carried out by providing immediate humanitarian assistance in the form of family food parcels, mineral water, hygiene kits and disinfectant and post crisis assistance in the form of construction materials for home repairs.

The Exchange and Cooperation Program

Based on the Danube flood experience that affected both countries, wishing to enhance cooperation relations within the regional context (Balkans / South-Eastern Europe) and to develop a mutual exchange and learning program in the area of assisting the victims of natural disasters and community work in emergencies, AIDRom and Pokrov Foundation have agreed to cooperate and work together towards assisting each other to achieve efficiency in the implementation and management of relief aid programs through transfer of know-how on how to achieve the best results with the available limited resources. The initiative was supported by Diakonie Katastrofenhilfe – Germany.

The actual cooperation program included workshops and field experience programs. The exchange was implemented in two phases, with a workshop/field survey in Bulgaria and one in Romania. Participants were staff members (program

coordinators and field workers) from both organizations, as well as local implementing partners (local community, municipal authorities and church representatives) who have directly assisted and supported the two organizations in the implementation of the humanitarian assistance program.

25-28 September 2007 – Bulgaria

Workshop located in Ruse, field program in Nikopol (2006 Danube Flood Affected Area)

During the Ruse workshop participants have been exposed to challenges of the flood victim assistance related programs of Pokrov Foundation carried out in the years of 2005 and 2006, enhancing - beside description of the emergency situation, statistical information and program implementation methodology – topics like:

- criteria for beneficiary selection
- prioritization and constrains faced during implementation
- coordination of activities with government and other NGO's involved in the assistance

The field trip in Nikopol have brought a highly valuable input for the exchange program, through a viable example of successful cooperation between local municipalities and church-based NGO's in cases of disaster. Representatives of the municipality, and the mayor himself, welcomed the delegation and shared the positive experience of cooperation and coordination with the Foundation in assisting the victims of the Danube flood in the area of Nikopol. After the meeting with the local authorities several families who received assistance in various forms from the Pokrov Foundation were also visited.



The Church is concerned:

The Diocese of Russe, which was a badly affected region of the floods in 2006, has been a hospitable host to the exchange meetings between the Bulgarian and Romanian partners. Bishop Neophyte has expressed the church's concern for the affected people and has suggested a more active role of the church communities in the disaster response action.

22-25 October 2007 - Romania

Workshop located in Brasov, field program in Agas, Moldavia region

During the plenary sessions the working structure and methodology of AIDRom Emergency Unit has been presented, with an emphasis on its emergency aid and disaster prevention and preparedness activities. Bulgarian participants have been introduced to topics like:

- · project assessment methodology
- implementation
- program logistics
- · key elements for monitoring and evaluations
- · exit strategies

The exchange program continued with a field visit to the community of Agas, Bacau county, Moldavia region, community devastated by severe flash floods for two years in a row (2004, 2005) and where AIDRom brought an important contribution in terms of crisis phase assistance and post crisis rehabilitation. Visits were also paid to families for whom AIDRom Emergency Unit either raised completely new homes or just contributed with construction material input for home rehabilitation. The workshop, and the mutual exchange and cooperation program has been closed with a round table discussion that drew some topics for further consideration:

- need of strengthening in the small rural communities affected by the disasters, the necessity of developing modern, realistic and flexible approaches for the case if similar emergencies might occur in the future, in order to be able to conduct logistical operations, to strengthen capability of providing themselves support during crisis.
- local churches and mayor offices from the rural areas should develop an integrated public communications

- system to better inform, guide, and reassure the public before, during, and after a catastrophe.
- training of volunteers in order to become local disaster
 unit members is a necessity that cannot be ignored
 anymore in the future. The number of these training
 sessions could be considerably increased (given the
 current weather anomalies worldwide) and should be
 explored in the future also other areas where
 communities could be more actively involved in the
 planning and responding in crisis phases and in the
 beginning stages of development in the post-crisis phase.
- the Governmental response in case of emergencies should better integrate in the future the contributions of volunteers and NGO's to the broader national effort.
 This integration would be best achieved at the regional and local levels, prior to future incidents. In particular, the state and the local governments must engage NGOs and church based aid organization in the planning process, credential their personnel, and provide them the necessary resource support for their involvement in a joint response.
- the emergency intervention service of the state, in coordination with local government structure, churches and the private sector, should develop a modern, flexible, and transparent logistics system. This system should be based on established contracts for stockpiling commodities at the local level for emergencies and the provision of goods and services during emergencies

The exchange and cooperation program proved to be a valuable key element for future cooperation and exchange programs between church-based aid organizations within the regional context, in the field of emergency aid, disaster preparedness and response.

The Science of Emergency Response:

Participants in the working sessions have received valuable input from both theoreticians and practitioners. Among the trainers were leaders of national and municipal structures of the Civil Protection agency, specialized municipal officers, etc.



Information Centers

Bringing Knowledge and Building Relationships

The two centers of the Pokrov Foundation, in Veliko Turnovo and in Sofia, continued to provide information about faith, spirituality and religion to students, young people and everyone who has interest in these matters.

In addition to selling books and delivering information services, the centres organized different events, drawing together students of Theology and other students of liberal arts and humanities.

Both centres have been active in 2007, organizing presentations of new books, meetings with authors and translators, public debates and exhibitions.



Dying and Transplantation

Students at the Veliko Turnovo University are frequent visitors of the Pokrov Information and Library Centre. At this meeting they discuss the recently adopted law on transplantations, The meeting is just one of the series of events, focusing the students' attention to the problems of bioethics.



In November 2007, the Pokrov Bookstore and Information Centre in Sofia presented the book by Mrs Zdenka Todorova "Holy Places Divided by a Border". The author is the founder of the Helsinki Committee for the Defense of the Rights of the Bulgarian minority in Serbia. The book presents the historic heritage of regions, currently on the territory of Serbia, which are inhabited by a Bulgarian minority.

An Evening to Remember:

The works of C. S. Lewis, renowned author of "The Chronicles of Narnia" and "Mere Christianity" have been a must-read for generations of both Christians and alike. The Pokrov Bookstore and Information Centre in Sofia has organized an inter-Christian meeting, devoted to this great thinker and





EventsPromoting the Christian perspective



Saving Bulgarian Sacred Places: an awareness raising campaign of the Pokrov Foundation

In the summer of 2007 the Pokrov Foundation launched its first national campaign: Svetini, or "Sacred Places" in Bulgarian.

There are 300 self-destroying churches and monasteries in Bulgaria, of different denominational background. Many of them are cultural monuments, but what is more important, they have a special place in the hearts and minds of generations of Bulgarians.

When in 2007 the international initiative DMS (Donor's Short Message) was launched in Bulgaria, the Pokrov Foundation was among the 5 national NGOs to be invited to participate in the first campaigns of the project. Our suggestion was "The Sacred Places Campaign". The campaign started with a series of publications, printing of postcards, production of a media clip and placing of banners in over 30 major Bulgarian news and services web-sites.

The campaign will continue in 2008 with a focus on fundraising for restoring the most affected historical sites.



National Forum Of Christian Organizations

For a first time after the 40's of the 20th century the emerging Bulgarian church-related organizations had a chance to convene with the support of the Pokrov Foundation, which organized a National Forum of Christian organizations in cooperation with the Metropoly of Varna of the Bulgarian Orthodox Church.

Some 40 participating church-related NGOs gathered to discuss issues of common concern, such as: availability of resources for diakonial work, cooperation with the official church structures, EU accession and its implications on religious organizations, etc.



And the winner is...
Mrs Mila Tsalova, coordinator at the Pokrov Foundation, announces the nominated essays.

My Open Letter Essay Contest

For a second year, the Pokrov Foundation organized a national essay contest from the series "Good News". In 2007 the motto of the contest was "My Open Letter". About 100 works were received and reviewed by the jury.

Participants were invited to write short essays in the form of an open letter, addressing social, moral or spiritual issues. All essays were submitted through the Pravoslavie.BG internet portal and were evaluated both by a jury, and by the readers' audience.

The jury included Prof. Klimentina Ivanova of the Sofia University, Iliana Alexandrova, editor of the Mirna magazine, Antoaneta Dobreva, editor of the literature portal Liter.net and Fr. Angel Angelov, priest of the St. Sophia church.

The awards included participation in pilgrimage tours and youth camps, organized by the Pokrov Foundation. A special award was announced by Metropolitan Joseph of the American Diocese of the Bulgarian Orthodox Church, who invited one of the winners to participate in a youth event in the USA.

The award ceremony was carried out at the Sofia City Library.



The Light From Within Photo Contest

In 2007, the Pokrov Foundation implemented a national photo contest under the title "The Light from Within". The contest drew together about 100 participants, both professional and amateur photographers from Bulgaria and abroad.

The contest was announced in the Pravoslavie.BG internet portal and was carried out with voting from the audience of this internet site. In addition, a jury of professional photographers evaluated the participating works.

At the end of the contest, an exhibition of the best photos was organized at the Pokrov Bookstore and Information Centre in Sofia. The contest and the closing event was covered by major national media.

The goal of the contest was to promote the development of spiritual photography and Christian art, focusing on the internal aspects of the religious experience.

Light from the East
Mrs Radzukevic, a Polish
journalist, opens the exhibition
at the Polish Cultural Centre in
Sofia.



Light from the East Photo Exhibit

On May 10th 2007 the Pokrov Foundation and the Polish Cultural Institute opened an exhibition, dedicated to the history and the present day of Orthodox Christianity in Poland. The event was supported by the Polish Ministry of Culture.

The photographs selected from the exhibition date as far back as the 1970's to nowadays, including depictions of already demolished churches, old post cards, icon reproductions, etc.

During the official opening of the exhibition, a concert was held with the participation of the Slavonic Dialogue choir. A documentary was shown, presenting the current state of the Church in Poland, where Orthodox Christians are about 1 million.

A lecture was delivered by a member of the Polish Parliament, Senator Cikvin. He used the image of his countryman Pope John II, comparing Orthodoxy and Roman Catholicism to two lungs, through Europe breathes and expressed his hope, that the integration of Bulgaria to the EU will strengthen the links between the churches in Europe as well.

Travel and Camps

Places, people, knowledge and friendship

When you go out of the city, you find the good people. One of the wonders of travel is to come across these good people. Well, this camp was my little discovery, my little miracle.

Diana Raicheva, 18, student at the National High School of Arts

Participant in the Youth Camp "Liturgy and



Since 2002 the Pokrov Foundation has launched a special Pilgrimage Tours and Youth Camps programme.

In 2007, several youth camps and tours were held, involving dozens of inspired people from all over the country.

Camps and Tours

In 2007, two youth camps were organized. The "Introduction to Icon Painting" camp was organized for 5th time, after very encouraging feedback from previous participants, and "Liturgy and Life" camp was carried out for a first time. This special event, organized for a first time in Bulgaria, brought public and media attention and left a very special mark in the history of the programme. Both camps are attended by young people (aged 18-35) from all over the country, selected after press announcements.

During the camps the participants enjoy a thorough educational programme with practical experiences. Camps are held in monasteries. Lecturers are invited from the Theological faculties to provide theoretical input on the subjects of sacred art, painting technologies, basic Christian teachings, etc. The camps are oriented mostly to people who do not have any church experience, but who want to learn something about faith. Participants come from different social, cultural, educational and ethnic backgrounds. The camps and their activities are covered by local and national media.

In cooperation with a licensed travel agency, SKANER, the Foundation has organized an overall of 23 pilgrimage tours, both in Bulgaria and abroad, all of which were announced and advertised through Pokrov's web portal, Pravoslavie.BG. In addition, the Foundation has implemented for a second time the pilgrimage tour "On the Pathways of St. John of Rila", a remarkable mountain

experience, following the spiritual routes of Bulgaria's most revered Christian saint. Villages, caves, monasteries and other sites are visited during the trip, which combines mountaineering experience with a variety of lectures, discussions, common prayer and team-building activities.

The tour was organized with the blessing of the Bulgarian Patriarch.





It is impossible to define that special silent and peaceful bond that the 10 complete strangers experienced during the camp. It was a miracle. The lectures by distinct theologians were inspiring. The discussions were fruitful. The tasks were just as easy and just as hard as they needed to be. Our work at the monastery was rewarding. Our common prayers were heard. Don't you believe in miracles still?

Margarita Naidenova, 29, History teacher

Participant in the Youth Camp "Liturgy and Life"

Media Projects Old messages for a new society

The Holy Mountain of Sofia

Documentary Series

One of the far-reaching projects of the Pokrov Foundation is called "The Holy Mountains of Sofia". It features the production of a documentary series about the sacred places in the Sofia region. In the past, the mountains around the capital city of Bulgaria were called "The Sofia Holy Mounts", because of the hundreds of monasteries, chapels and churches. Most of these places are now destroyed, but the memory about them is preserved in the local communities.

The series explores the history of these places in short films of 5-10 minutes each. An overall of 53 films have been produced so far.

The films are shown on one of the major Bulgarian TV channels, Nova TV, within a weekly religious programme, *Iconostasis*. The series was also published in the Internet.



Lyubomir Varbanov Film director, creator of the documentary series

Balkan Diaries The Church of today

In 2004-2006 the Foundation implemented a project called "Balkan Diaries". A group of young Christians from 5 Balkan countries (Albania, Bulgaria, Macedonia, Romania and Serbia) visited their neighboring country and shared their impressions about the lives of the church communities in the form of travel logs. An audio CD was

produced (Sounds from the Balkans), a web site was launched and a series of travel logs was published.

In 2007, the production of a documentary was finalized, based on the video footage taken by a Serbian team in Bulgaria. The project was supported also by the Serbian Ministry of Culture and was implemented by the Pokrov Foundation in cooperation with a students' organization from Belgrade,

The Singing <u>Priest</u>

Father Russi, a Roma Orthoox priest, sings a folk song. The focus of the Balkan Diaries documentary has been the real-life people in small villages.





Pravoslavie.BG The Newspaper

The newspaper Pravoslavie.BG is the only weekly Bulgarian periodical dealing with matters of religion. It is published since 2006 and contains 4-6 two-color pages in standard newspaper format.

The paper covers wide variety of topics from public life and the lives of the religious communities. It is designed as a source of information and expression of the position of the church communities on different legal, educational and cultural subjects.

The newspaper is printed in circulation of 700-1000 copies and is distributed freely on a mailing list, including Members of Parliament, the judiciary, the government, educational, social institutions, mayors' offices, schools and public libraries.

45 editions have been published in 2007

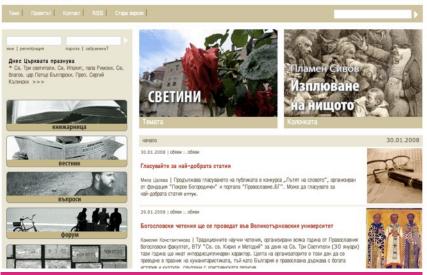
Pravoslavie.BG The Web Portal

With over 5000 registered users and several thousands unique visits per day, Pravoslavie.BG has become the main outreach project of the Pokrov Foundation, providing space for sharing of information, public debate on sensitive issues and a testing ground for modern Christian investigative journalism.

The portal offers a large variety of services to its visitors, ranging from constant news service (updated hourly), to file sharing and download, chat, forum and many more. Around 8000 publications are currently available in the web portal, which makes it an unique place for reference and research on wide variety of theological, social and ethical issues, as well as on matters of sacred art, pilgrimage tourism, etc.

In 2007, the portal has renewed its design, introducing a better-organized content and up-to-date graphic design solutions.

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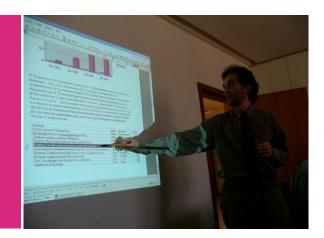


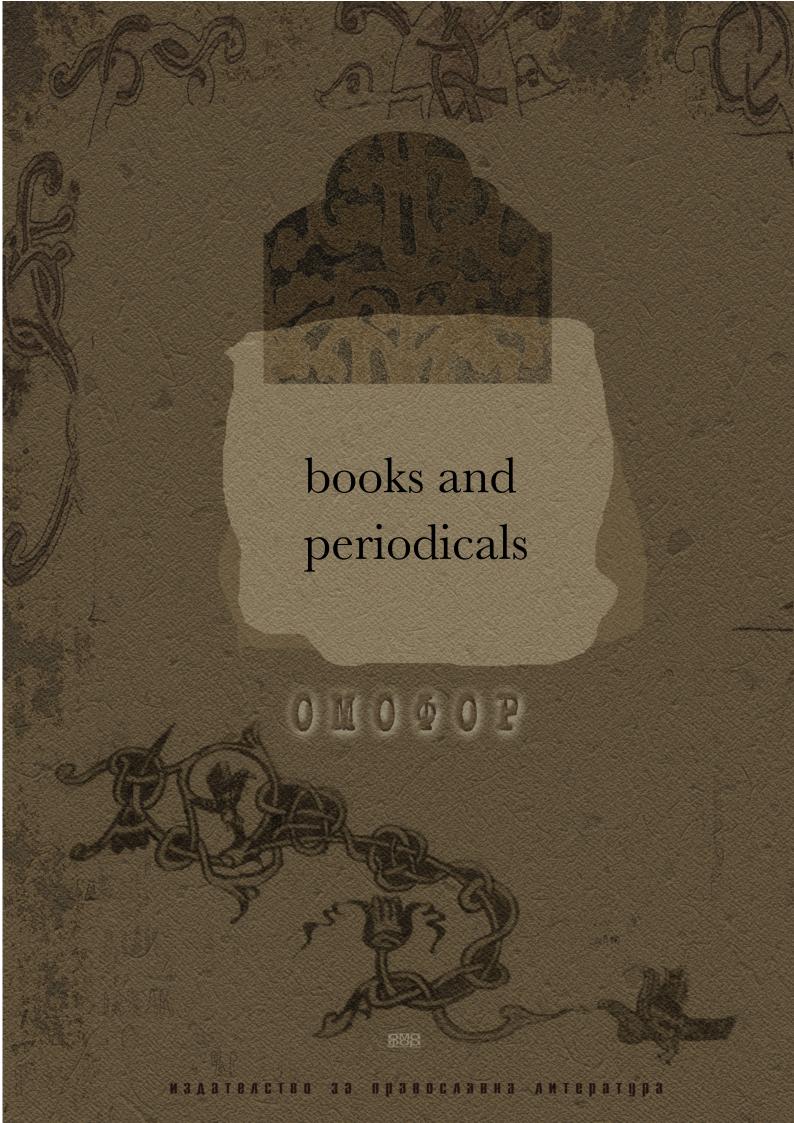
New face, same fashion

The portal, a major source for religions-related information, has introduced new graphic elements and Web 2.0 approach, in an effort to stay up-to-date with the newest trends in internet technologies and to continue to provide the same rich, balanced and well organized content its users have been accustomed to.

Setting the trends

Plamen Sivov, executive director of the Pokrov Foundation, is presenting the trends in the web portal Pravoslavie.BG to the members of the Supervising Council of the site. Pravoslavie.BG is supervised by a 13-members' Council, chaired by Bishop Neophyte, Metropolitan of Russe (Bulgarian Orthodox Church), which monitors and advises the portal's team on matters of faith, theology and church policy. The Council meets periodically to examine the trends in the developemnt of the portal and to set new priorities.





Omophor

The publishing programme of the Pokrov Foundation in 2007

Introduction

to modern Orthodox theology

By Prof. Christian Felmi

This book, written by a German Evangelical theologian, presents the basic Christian teachings in the context of contemporary Orthodox thought. It is a challenge to our understanding of Christianity and an excellent basis for theological dialogue between the Christian denominations. Translation from German.



The Ball and the Cross

By G. K. Chesterton

A masterpiece novel about the eternal collision between faith and denial. Written by the renowned Catholic writer G. K. Chesterton, the book raises the fundamental questions of evil and free will, of religious tolerance and human relationships. Translation from English.



School of Morality

By Mariana Tincheva

A book oriented to children in early school age. It is a collection of short stories that teach the children basic lessons on faith, morals and friendship.



The Incarnate God

feastal cathechism

Written by a team of theologians and priests, this book unveils the teaching of the Church on basic matters of faith, by following the calendar of feasts throughout the yearly liturgical cycle. Translation from English.



The Message of the Bible

By John Cronk

One of the most popular expositions on contemporary Bible studies, oriented to a larger inter-denominational audiences, as well as to students of theology. The analysis of the main themes of the Old and New Testaments is presented from a contemporary point of view. Translated from English.



Christ is Born!

By Vesna Belcevic

A book for the little ones (children aged 3-6), presenting the feast of Christmas through the eyes of a child. Translated from Serbian.



The Monk in Me

By Heinz Nussbaumer

The author is an Austrian university professor, political advisor to Austrian presidents, journalist and a leader of the SOS Kinderdorf organization. The book presents his spiritual journey in the Mount Athos monasteries and gives an outsider's perspective on Balkan Christian heritage. Translated from German.



Father Seraphim Rose His life and works

By Archim. Damascene

The book follows the spiritual path of one of the most prominent monks of the 20th century, the American Eugene Rose, founder of the monastic order of St. Herman of Alaska in California. The biography is a remarkable account of a modern man's search for the eternal truth of the Gospel in the world of today. Translated from English.





Mirna The magazine for Christian Dialogie

Founded in 1996, the Mirna magazine is the most well-known publication of the Pokrov Foundation. It covers large variety of issues, from the perspective of the Christian worldview.

In 2007, three volumes were published, focusing on the issues of priesthood, the lonely people in the church, and the sacred places.

The Monk in him

The official presentation of the book "The Monk in Me" by Austrian professor Heinz Nussbaumer has drawn crowds in downtown Sofia. The author came personally for the presentation, which was organized by the Pokrov Foundation, in cooperation with the Sofia City Library and the Bulgarian-Austrian Society of Vienna.

The book has undergone 7 editions in Austria alone. Acclaimed by Christians and atheists alike, it is being said to have changed the lives of many.

The author was a foreign policy journalist for KURIER, speaker of two federal presidents, TV moderator, publisher and chair of the largest European SOS Kinderdorf community.

His book on spirituality comes after 20 years of pilgrimages to the Holy Mount of Athos.

The presentation was attended by Austrian and Bulgarian diplomats and a large audience of readers.





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kinds of care for the vulnerable groups.

How are these generally perceived and registered trends reflected in post-Communist Bulgaria?

Bulgaria is a country with extensive Easter Christian Orthodox heritage, dating back as far as the 7th century, when the first proto-Bulgarian tribes began to settle on the lands south of the Danube river and to form the first Bulgarian kingdom, mixing with Slavonic and Thracian ethnic groups, under the heavy cultural influence of the Eastern Roman empire, Byzantium. After a series of historic choices (accepting the official church jurisdiction from Constantinople, translating the liturgical books and the Bible in Slavonic, etc.), the Bulgarians firmly embraced the Eastern Christian tradition, and it has been so for nearly 14 centuries now. Thus, Bulgarian identity has been shaped almost exclusively by what is now known as Christian Orthodoxy.

Most of Bulgarian history has been spent under some sort of foreign domination (Byzantine and Ottoman are the typical examples). In the centuries of a practical absence of a national State, it has been the Church that provided the communal bonds that kept the nation together. Even in times when it was not possible to read or write in the national language, the Orthodox identity of the Bulgarians and the language they spoke made them different and separate from all the other nations that formed the Ottoman empire.

But this historic role of the church was not manifested only on the superficial meta-level of the abstract notions of "nation" and "faith". Virtually all community life in those days was somehow related to, focused in, or streaming from the church. In the small village communities, during the times of the Bulgarian national revival (17-18th century), people started to self-organize in community centers and to put aside portions of their income for education. This was done mostly through the so called "cellschools", which were a completely church-driven institution, and the "reading rooms", which were a unique Bulgarian-invented form of small community centers in virtually every village, many of which have survived up to this day.

One might have expected that after the liberation from the Ottoman empire, which was finalized in 1878 with the Russo-Turkish war, and the establishment of the new Bulgarian state, the need for such community-centered activities and church-driven education would vanish. But both these institutions (the Church and the "reading rooms", which had separate elected Boards of Trustees) proved to enjoy a stable and deep public trust. And while the former "cell-school" educational system was quickly and irreversibly replaced by the new secular state school system, still the church managed to find a special and extensive role in many aspects of public life in the beginning of the 20th century.

For nearly 50 years (from the liberation from the Ottoman rule until the Communists' takeover in 1944) the church developed both large-scale and small-scale social enterprises and services. Hospitals, schools, retirement homes, soup kitchens, crisis centers and many other forms of community action have been in the arsenal of the Bulgarian church in those times. It is notable that the church has never been reluctant to "experiment" with sophisticated organizational forms and to go beyond the general concept of "charity", understood mainly as giving alms to the beggars on the street. In the early 20th century the church operated complex social programs, involving large numbers of specialized personnel, using modern scientific approaches and demonstrating unprecedented effectiveness. Apparently this was not done only with the efforts of the clergy; many lay people have formed voluntary organizations to support the church in its social mission.

None of these would have been possible without the general public support and the focus on community level, the true laboratory of both church and social life. Examining the history of Bulgarian philanthropy, one can easily track down the obvious dependency: large private donations on a national level have been made to the Bulgarian state, while the greater amount of small-scale donations and testaments were directed towards the Church, mostly within concrete communities.

The two largest single endowments in recent Bulgarian history have been the establishment of the Sofia University and the Svishtov School of Economics; both are results of private donations, made soon after the liberation from the Ottoman empire. Both are secular in nature and are invested in the secular education field. On the other side are the hundreds of smaller donations of land and other property, directed towards the church by generations of community-rooted people. There is therefore a clear tendency that national causes related donations are usually made to the state, while community-oriented philanthropy normally finds the Church as the most likely recipient. Apparently, in the national perception the church is a stable and community-centered entity.

The years between 1944 and 1989 have interrupted this old tradition of the church's deep involvement in the lives of Bulgarian communities. The Communist regime's prime concern towards the Church was to block its ability to be an alternative to the allencompassing State; to provide any care or to play any public role. For nearly half a century the church's role in the society has been severely limited to a function in the national protocol; a merely historic institution of some importance to the national identity. All social institutions which used to belong to the church or to the many church-related organizations (CRNGOs) have been confiscated. The church was allowed only to perform its "religious ceremonies".

The "awakening" of the church which many expected to take place soon after the collapse of the Communist regime in 1989, however, never occurred in the field of community involvement. Partly due to a continuing schism, which tormented the clergy and the laity for more than 10 years, partly because of the clergy's difficulties to adapt to a rapidly changing environment and to respond to both the society's expectations and to the church's own historic heritage, the Bulgarian Orthodox church entered the 21

century with virtually no national platform for social action.

At the same time, the local church communities have proven to be effective vehicles of social change at a grass-root level. With assistance from international sources and local businesses, many parishes started to develop their own small-scale charitable and educational programs, oriented to the needs of the local people. Church communities have turned to look at the needs of the larger communities they are situated in, often reaching out to nearby social institutions (orphanages, elderly homes) and creating the fabrics of a local social support network.

Although sometimes neglected by the central church leadership, such initiatives have enjoyed substantial public interest and the priests involved in these activities have been largely recognized in the media. Fr. Georgi Fotakiev (Varna), who is running a drug-rehabilitation program, Fr. Ivan (Novi Han), who has established a shelter for abandoned children, and several others have become acclaimed figures in the eyes of the public.

It is clear, however, that enthusiastic groups and leaders cannot be a substitute for a nationally implemented church-related policy for restoration of the social mission of the Bulgarian Orthodox Church and of the other religious communities, where similar processes have occurred. With that understanding in mind, one of the largest CRNGOs in Bulgaria, the Pokrov Foundation, has implemented a program which involved both access to small-scale funding for grass-root groups and parishes, and relevant training in project management, in order to ensure the reestablishment of the (Christian) traditions of organized philanthropy and social action in Bulgaria. The program took place in 1996-2004 and has exposed hundreds of individuals, dozens of organizations and church institutions to both



motivational and skill-building sessions, providing courses and tailor-made support for many church-related initiatives. The Pokrov foundation has taken the challenging role to be a catalyst for what may be described as the rebirth of the social mission of the Orthodox Church in modern Bulgaria.

The exposure to good practices and the resulting networking activities within the community of CRNGOs have resulted in many lasting relationships on local and national levels. And although the church leadership has not been particularly active in these processes, the results in dozens of villages and cities have been encouraging and inspiring.

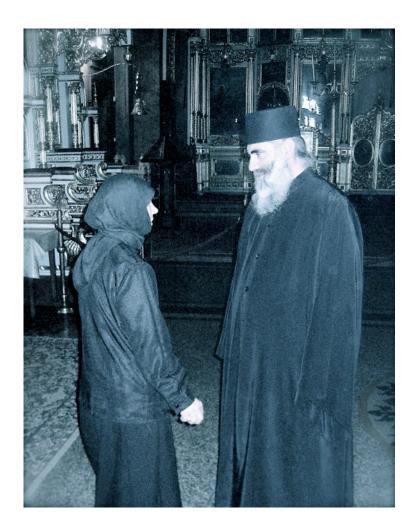
There are at least 4 good reasons for non-religious national and community-centered NGOs to consider the parishes and the church in general as potential partners for long-term socially-related programs.

The Church's ethos, or code of conduct, if you wish, is firmly rooted in the concept of the (spiritual) community. The very word "church", in Greek, ekklesia, means "gathering". Contrary to common misconceptions, that relate the church to a (nationally presented) institution, the genuine meaning of the church is actually "community" of believers, united by a common faith. Although universal in nature, the church is manifested through concrete local "churches", or communities.

From a purely pragmatic point of view, the church is one of the few institutions, that have a "branch" in virtually every settlement, both large and small. When a high level of reaching out is sought, or a national coverage for a program is necessary, the church is one of the most natural partner for awareness-raising campaigns, regional programs and large-scale networking initiatives.

The church has property in proportions which rank it second only to the state. This property includes buildings, agricultural lands, etc. This resource has not been explored and taken account of by none of the national programs for social integration or provision of social services. Many projects for regional development would benefit if proper patterns of cooperation with the church are established.

It is within the church's mandate to serve the community it is situated in, without differentiating or discriminating anyone on



grounds of gender, age, social status, or, for that matter, religious belief.

To conclude, the religious communities in Bulgaria, and the Orthodox Church in particular, are facing challenging new opportunities, resulting from the integration of the country in the European Union. While there are still many obstacles for the church's full participation in the larger development projects (legal, political, related to capacity, etc.), there is already good evidence that the traditional cultural and instrumental elements of a possible church's involvement in the lives of the Bulgarian communities are already present and deserve the non-governmental sector's attention.

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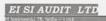
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AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO POKROV FOUNDATION

We have audited the accompanying balance sheet of the Pokrov Foundation as of December 31, 2007, and the related statements of income, cash flows, shareholders' equity and notes for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Pokrov Foundation's management. Our responsibility is to express opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Pokrov Foundation as of December 31, 2007, and of the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with National Standards on Financial Reporting for Small and Medium Enterprises.

The accompanying Annual Program Report of Pokrov Foundation as December 31, 2007, is presented for the purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. This information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statement taken as a whole.

20 march 2008 Sofia

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Financial Programme Report Pokrov Foundation: 2007

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- transfer from 2006	3,000.00	1,533.88
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- travel fees	22,810.00	11,662.57
Total programme income	72,807.96	37,226.12
1.2. Expenditure		
Travel expenditure: pilgrimage tours	45,265.00	23,143.63
Accommodation monasteries	3,008.00	1,537.97
	3,000.00	1,007.07
Salaries and fees	5,630.97	2 970 07
		2,879.07
Per Diem	380.00	194.29
Supplies	766.50	391.91
Mobile communication	516.52	264.09
Travel Expenditure: youth camps	3,115.81	1,593.09
Meals and accommodation: youth camps	3,875.50	1,981.51
Artists supplies (for iconography camps)	1,366.49	698.68
Small donations	80.00	40.90
Other expenditure	1,336.06	683.12
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- external project support Joy Foundation (Pokrov Parish centre)	12,000.00	6,135.50
Day Care Foundation (Day Care Centre)		
	72,492.28	37,064.71
Philokalia Association (Patristics Project)	1,200.00	613.55
Sofia City Library: project "Little Christian Magazine"	650.00	332.34
Sofia City Library: Project "Christmas competition"	250.00	127.82
Mitropoly of Russe: International Conference	845.00	432.04
Parish Council Boychinovci: work with juvenile youth	664.80	339.91
International Christian Assn. St Philaret: work with orphans	150.00	76.69
Mitropoly of Vidin: computer equipment	1,064.00	544.01
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Individual emergency support (life-saving operations)	4,086.50	2,089.39
Total project expenditure	94,466.58	48,300.00
Project balance	532.46	272.24
3. Art Therapy for Children and Single Mothers		
3.1.Income		
- transfer from 2006	2,000.00	1,022.58
- Diakonisches Werk	4,800.00	2,454.20
- Kerkinactie	800.00	409.03
- Funding from Workshop for Civic Initiatives Foundation	2,093.00	1,070.13
- Income sales of postcards	21,733.24	11,112.03
Total project income	31,426.24	16,067.98
3.2. Expenditure		
Payment of donations to children and orphanages	16,750.75	8,564.52
postcards materials	6,082.18	3,109.77
fees and coordinator salary	4,820.74	2,464.81
consumables	1,774.09	907.08
transport expenses	1,019.15	521.08
other expenses	763.13	390.18
total project expenses	31,210.04	15,957.44
project balance	216.20	110.54
4. Emergency Relief		
4.1. Income		
- transfer from 2006	42,316.49	21,636.08
- Diakonisches Werk	21,000.00	10,737.13
- Kerkinactie	5,800.00	2 , 965.49
total project income	69,116.49	35,338.70
4.2. project expenditure		
building materials	39,625.75	20,260.32
fees and social insurance	16.566.83	8.470 49
vehicle maintainance and parking	5,298.65	2,709.16
audit	2,000.00	1,022.58
running costs	1,268.29	648.47
transport expenses	1,235.96	631.94
communication expenses	1,231.22	629.51
sanitary and office materials	533.25	272.65
food supplies	381.15	194.88
per diem	324 15	165.74
internet	88.00	44.99
other expenses	489.00	250.02
total project expenses	69,042.25	
project balance	74.24	37.96
5. mobile youth work		
5.1.Income		
- transfer from 2006	1,371.56	701.27
- ISMO funding	6,618.53	3,384.00
- Diakonisches Werk	4,750.00	
- Kerkinactie	600.00	306.78
total income		
	13,340.09	6 910 40
5.2. project expenditure	13,320.15	6,810.48
project balance	19.94	10.19
5. Bosnek Rehabilitation centre project		
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- transfer from 2006	10,000.00	5,112.92
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- Diakonisches Werk	15,500.00	7,925.02
- Kerkinactie	8,315.83	4,251.82
- other funding	0.00	0.00
total project income	33,815.83	17,289.76
5.2. Expenditure equipment	33,090.71	16,919.01
total project expenses	33,090.71	16,919.01
project balance	725.12	370.75
total programme income: Diakonia	263,015.22	134,477.55
total programme expenditure: Diakonia	261,290.32	133,595.62
Programme balance: Diakonia	1,724.90	881.93
III. Media Programme		
1. Printed Media project		
1.1.Tncome		
- transfer from 2006	1,866.45	954.30
- Kerkinactie	14,499.85	7,413.66
- Diakonisches Werk der EKD	36,000.00	18,406.51
total project income	52,366.30	26,774.46
1.2. Expenditure		
Pravoslavie weekly: publishig expenses	18,678.02	9,549.92
Mirna magazine: publishing expenses	20,359.06	10,409.42
fees and insurances communication and consumables	8,955.13	4,578.69 2,190.46
total project expenditure	4,284.16 52,276.37	26,728.48
project balance	89.93	45.98
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2. Investigative journalism project		
2.1.Income		·
- transfer from 2006	3,000.00	1,533.88
- Diakonisches Werk	1,000.00	511.29
total project income	4,000.00	2,045.17
2.2. project expenditure	3,563.24	1,821.86
project balance	436.76	223.31
2. December 2011		
3. Pravoslavie.BG web portal project 3.1.Income		
- transfer from 2006	6,000.00	3,067.75
- Diakonisches Werk	28,500.00	14,571.82
- Kerkinactie	15,248.64	7,796.51
- other income	239.56	122.49
total project income	49,988.20	25,558.56
fees for news translations and authors' honoraria	14,068.26	7,192.99
technical maintainance	11,149.59	5,700.69
insurance	3,688.55	1,885.93
equipment	8,382.86	4,286.09
communication	4,485.39	2,293.34
competitions awards	3,619.54	1,850.64
consumables	1,177.59	602.09
trasnport expenses	626.39	320.27
site design	499.20	255.24
advertisement other expenses	1,046.36	235.19
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3.2. total project expenditure	49,203.73	401.09
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total programme expenditure: Media	114,002.96	58,288.79
Programme balance: Media	2,351.54	1,202.32
IV. Training Programme		
1. Church networking project		
1.1.Income		
- transfer from 2006	5,000.00	2,556.46
- Diakonisches Werk	4,700.00	2,403.07
- Kerkinactie	2,579.07	1,318.66
total project income	12,279.07	6,278.19
1.2. Project Expenditure	6,798.81	3,476.18
project balance	5,480.26	2,802.01
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2. Staff training 2.1.Income		
- transfer from 2006	3,540.63	1,810.30
- Diakonisches Werk	1,000.00	511.29
- Kerkinactie	800.00	409.03
	5,340.63	2,730.62
project income 2.2. Project Expenditure	2,603.02	1,330.90
project balance	2,737.61	1,330.90
3. Disaster preparedness training 3.1.Income		
	-9,895.17	-5,059.32
- transfer from 2006 from "Training for Development"	-9,093.17	-3,039.3Z
- Evangelischer Entwicklungsdienst e.V. (EED)	9,386.12	4,799.05
- Diakonisches Werk	36,515.27	18,669.96
- other income	309.88	158.44
cotal project income	36,316.10	18,568.13
3.2. Expenditure		
3.2.1.1. Project management	156.30	79.91
3.2.2.1. Emergency response	8,068.24	4,125.23
3.2.2.2. Emergency communication	3,306.84	1,690.76
3.2.2.3. Expert meeting on community work - Bulgaria	5,479.52	2,801.63
3.2.2.5. Information leaflet	777.50	397.53
3.2.2.6. Poster	1,715.48	877.11
3.2.2.7. T-shirts	1,156.00	591.05
Administrative expenses - 6 %	2,464.61	1,260.14
total project expenditure	23,124.49	11,823.36
project balance	13,191.61	6,744.76
Total programme income: Training	53,935.80	27,576.94
Total programme expenditure: Training	32,526.32	16,630.44
Total programme balance: Training	21,409.48	10,946.49
1. Publishing Programme Programme income		
- transfer from 2006	1,000.00	511.29
- Diakonisches Werk	43,500.00	22,241.20
- Kerkinactie	31,677.88	16,196.64
- other income	156.47	80.00
total programme income	76,334.35	39,029.13
total programme expenditure: publishing of books	75,774.63	38,742.95
programme balance: publishing	559.72	286.18
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VI. Information centres		
1. Info centre at the Theological faculty in V. Turnovo		
1.1.Income		
- transfer from 2006	3,000.00	1,533.88
- Diakonisches Werk	6,000.00	3,067.75
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- Kerkinactie	1,100.00	
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cotal project income	10,199.96	5,215.16
- Kerkinactie total project income 1.2. project expenditure project balance	10,199.96 6,192.79 4,007.17	5,215.16 3,166.32 2,048.83

2. Info centre and bookstore: Sofia		
1.1.Income	0.050.00	4 115 00
- Diakonisches Werk	8,050.00	4,115.90
total project income	8,050.00	4,115.90
1.2. project expenditure	7,679.80	3,926.62
project balance	370.20	189.28
Total programme income: Info centres	18,249.96	9,331.06
Total programme expenditure: Info centres	13,872.59	7,092.94
Programme balance: Info centres	4,377.37	2,238.11
VII. Administration		
Income		
- transfer from 2006	13,208.89	6 , 753.60
- Dikonisches Werk funding	16,500.00	8,436.32
- Kerkinactie	1,759.39	899.56
- other income and funding	216.97	110.93
- Income from bank interest saving accounts	764.29	390.78
total income	32,449.54	16,591.18
Expenditure		
- administrative Expenditure	16,939.53	8,661.04
- medical insurances for staff	9,874.95	5,048.98
- bank fees and currency re-evaluation	3,222.45	1,647.61
total expenditure	30,036.93	15,357.64
administration balance	2,412.61	1,233.55
TOTAL INCOME	633,147.33	323,723.09
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	592,844.60	303,116.63
TOTAL PROGRAMME BALANCE	40,302.73	20,606.46
CASH AT HAND	40,302.73	20,606.46
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bank accounts and cash	37,374.34	19,109.20
staff advances	2,928.39	1,497.26

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