

THE ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006
OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR ORTHODOX CHURCH MUSIC
(ISOCM)

Annual report of the Society

2005

18th June: The establishment of the International Society for Orthodox Church Music (ISOCM) at the First International Conference on Orthodox Church Music, organized by the University of Joensuu, Finland.

22nd December: A bank account opened for ISOCM at OKOBANK, Finland (IBAN FI5957700520175248).

2006

31st March: Establishing a website at www.isocm.com.

21st July: A preliminary Board meeting (Moody, Nykänen, Takala-Roszczenko) in Ilomantsi, Finland. Discussing the plans for ISOCM Conference 2007.

20th September: Establishing an organizing committee for the Second International Conference on Orthodox Church Music in 2007

Head of the organizing committee: Ivan Moody and Hilikka Seppälä

Head of the local organizing committee: Petri Nykänen

Members: Petri Piironen, Maria Takala-Roszczenko, Anneli Pietarinen, Tuomas Kallonen

The Board of ISOCM

At the establishing meeting of ISOCM, Ivan Moody was elected to be the first chairman and Maria Takala-Roszczenko the secretary of the Society. Bogdan Djakovic, Alexander Lingas, Petri Nykänen and Svetlana Poliakova became the Board of ISOCM.

The Board (Moody, Nykänen, Takala-Roszczenko) met on 21st July 2006 in Ilomantsi.

The members of ISOCM

Becoming a registered member of ISOCM has been possible via www.isocm.com since 31st March 2006.

By the end of 2006, 12 members had applied for membership and paid the membership fee. The number of unregistered members remains a challenge for the Society.

Other issues

The publication of the Proceedings of ISOCM 2005 was initiated after the Conference in June 2005. It was decided that the publication would be bilingual, i.e., papers presented in Russian would be translated into English by Maria Takala-Roszczenko. The editorial work was taken up by Ivan Moody and Maria Takala-Roszczenko, who also offered to do the layout of the publication.

The publication of a series of essays on Old-Believer chant in Russia was initiated. The publication will contain essays by Russian scholars translated into English.

The Society received book and CD donations containing writings of contemporary Greek scholars and performances of Greek choirs.