

Special Lecture
Saint John Orthodox
Cathedral in Eagle River
6pm • Sunday • Oct 2



By Dr. Nathan Hoppe “The Resurrection of the Church in Albania”

After 46 years of persecution under communism, the Church in Albania was nearly destroyed. Only 15 Orthodox clergy remained and nearly all Churches were in ruins or had been re-purposed. In 1991 a remarkable “resurrection” of the Church began under the leadership of Archbishop Anastasios. Nathan Hoppe and his family have been a vital part of this work for 24 years. Come, hear this inspiring story.

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18936 Monastery Drive

Dr. Nathan Hoppe



Nathan and Gabriela Hoppe are long-term OCMC missionaries serving in Albania under the direction of Archbishop Anastasios. Nathan was born and raised in Colombia, South America, where his mother continues to serve as a missionary. He holds master's degrees from Wheaton College and Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology and a D. Min. (Doctor of Ministry) from St. Vladimir's Theological Seminary. Nathan has served in Albania for more than 23 years. Gabriela, a native of Albania, is a graduate of the Resurrection of Christ Theological Academy and the University of Tirana; she also holds a master's degree in Children's and Family Ministry from Bethel Seminary. Gabriela is not able to join Nathan in Alaska for this trip. The Hoppes have three children. Nathan also serves on the steering committee of the Lausanne-Orthodox initiative (LOI), is a member of the Advisory Council for World Vision Albania, and is on the board of the Inter-Confessional Bible Society.

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Saint John Orthodox Cathedral is hosting this presentation in cooperation with a local conference of Church leaders convened through the Lausanne-Orthodox Initiative, Sep 1 – Oct 3: **“An Alaskan Orthodox and Evangelical Dialogue.”** Dr. Hoppe's lecture is open to the public and is free of charge. Refreshments will be served following. The organizing committee of the Dialogue includes: Jon Spiegel, Fr. Marc Dunaway, Joel Stamoolis, and Harry Davidson. Saint John's is a parish in the Antiochian Archdiocese of North America. Website: stjohnalaska.org.



The Lausanne-Orthodox Initiative (LOI) is a mission-oriented dialogue between Orthodox and Evangelicals that seeks to create and support sustainable networks of contact and friendship between Orthodox and Evangelical Christian leaders. This dialogue aims to support and strengthen already existing relationships in Alaska. Website: <https://www.loimission.net/>