

## FEBC Prayer Target – January, 2025

<u>Wednesday, January 1</u> - Happy New Year! Thank God for the blessing of a new year and new opportunities to share the Gospel with the unreached! Thank you for your steadfast partnership and fervent prayers. Please pray for our team all over the world as we work together to reach even more for Jesus in 2025!

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>January 2</u> - Please pray for the multitude of people who are unreached all over the world. May the truth of God's Word shine bright and break through any stronghold. Pray for the number of new believers in unreached areas to increase and for churches to grow and reach their communities with the love of Jesus.

**Friday, January 3** - Even though Japan's population is less than 1% Christian, God is moving among the people there. We're grateful to receive letters like this: "It's been 5 years since I discovered FEBC broadcasting. Not a day goes by that I don't listen to it. I can endure even the toughest days because I believe that God loves me and is with me!"

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>January 4</u> - Pray for the unreached people of Moldova. May the Lord use FEBC Moldova's Bible program to reach many listeners with the Good News. This program is lead by a broadcaster named Arsenie, and he teaches the Bible in a simple to understand language so that it is accessible to anyone.

<u>Sunday, January 5</u> - Because of your steadfast partnership, FEBC is able to grow indigenous leaders, use advancing technology, and share the Gospel boldly to reach the unreached. Pray for more people to discover the love of Jesus, like this listener in Pakistan who shared: "Thank you for your broadcasts that guide us toward Jesus Christ. We have accepted Him as our personal Savior through your programs."

Monday, January 6 - Please pray for listeners in Ukraine like Marusya, an older woman who called FEBC's prayer helpline. "I want to find out more about Christianity. I go to Orthodox church, but I don't understand what's taught there. I know that Jesus died for us, but that's all." FEBC's evangelists shared the Gospel with Marusya and prayed with her and she decided to place her faith in Jesus and was connected with a minister from a local church. Pray that many more will hear the Good News through FEBC's programs and come to a saving knowledge of Jesus.

<u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January 7</u> - A listener in Cambodia shared: "The radio broadcasts have filled me with hope! I have learned to forgive and embrace the value of living in love. FEBC

has truly been the key to seeking God in my life." Pray that even more hearts will be healed and come to faith in Jesus, just like this listener.

**Wednesday, January 8** - Pray for those living in Mongolia who are facing economic challenges due to the ongoing war in Ukraine. Also, ask the Lord to guide FEBC's rural teams as they speak with listeners and share the message of hope.

**Thursday, January 9** - Please pray for the people of Myanmar. Despite this country's vast resources, it's considered to be one of the world's poorest places. Pray for the Paluang people living in refugee camps. Many are persecuted because of their faith in Jesus. Ask the Lord to provide for those in need and guide FEBC's key leaders as they broadcast the Gospel to reach this nation of 55 million.

**<u>Friday, January 10</u>** - Pray for the people of South Korea and for the dedicated FEBC staff serving this region from our 13 AM and FM stations. Also, pray for our digital broadcasting efforts to grow more and produce a great harvest.

<u>Saturday, January 11</u> - A member of a listener club in Malawi shared: "I would like to thank God for the listener club in my village. I have received Jesus Christ as my Lord!" Pray for FEBC's local team as they broadcast the Gospel into many remote areas and follow-up with listeners who are discovering Jesus.

<u>Sunday, January 12</u> - Please pray for the people of India. May the Lord extend FEBC's footprint and increase our Gospel broadcasts to transform lives in this very difficult area. Pray also for our local team to have freedom to serve the ministry each day, with courage to stand strong.

**Monday, January 13** - FEBC launched a project to reach Muslim listeners living in Russia, Kazakhstan, and Kyrgyzstan. Former Muslims, who are now Christians, are sharing their testimonies on the air. Please pray for the safety of these brave new Christians, as they often face threats and are persecuted for their faith.

**Tuesday, January 14** - Pray for those living in the Philippines, and the 5.9 million who are still unreached. Ask the Lord to guide our staff as they broadcast the Gospel from 13 AM and FM stations strategically located in key cities all over the country.

<u>Wednesday, January 15</u> - Please pray for the unreached people of Kyrgyzstan and also for our team as they minister in this traditionally Islamic country. The number of schools offering Islamic religious education have increased greatly. May the Lord use our team to reach young people with the light of the Gospel.

<u>Thursday, January 16</u> - Pray for the people in North Korea to encounter the lifechanging power of the Gospel. Thank God for FEBC's broadcasts reaching listeners in this closed communist country.

**Friday, January 17** - Over 900 people faithfully serve on FEBC's staff in countries across the globe. Broadcasters, counselors, engineers, programmers, and directors are just a few examples of the many roles needed to lead the ministry. Pray for our teams as they work to share Jesus with the unreached around the world.

<u>Saturday, January 18</u> - Did you know people in Laos can connect with FEBC through platforms like Facebook Live? A listener recently shared: "If I didn't have your programs to listen to, I would have ended my life by now. I came to know the Lord through FEBC and now my life is very different." Please pray that we can reach more people through digital broadcasting.

<u>Sunday, January 19</u> - FEBC's Gospel Speaker Boxes are an effective tool to reach ethnic groups in Southeast Asia. The devices include SD cards with over 130 hours of Gospel programming on each card, allowing listeners to hear broadcasts at any time. Pray that all who listen will be changed by the power of the Gospel.

**Monday, January 20** - Take a moment to thank God and praise Him for the millions of people all over the world who have tuned into FEBC today and heard the Good News. Thank the Lord for the seeds that have been planted, and for those who have accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior! May the Gospel continue to be proclaimed... until all have heard.

**Tuesday, January 21** - Today, pray for Joshua and Nit C. who serve FEBC in Thailand. Pray for guidance as they build relationships with listeners, develop programs for 17 ethnic languages, and manage the details of the growing Khmu ministry.

**Wednesday, January 22** - Please pray for the unreached people of China and Hong Kong. Many continue to face daily challenges due to the high unemployment rate. May God bring hope to the hearts of the people living there and guide our staff as they continue to share the Good News.

**Thursday, January 23** - Please pray for Jurie, the director of our South Africa ministry. He and his team lead efforts in Mozambique, Malawi, Mali, and Chad. Pray also for the broadcasters as they prepare daily and weekly Gospel programs.

<u>Friday, January 24</u> - Pray for broadcasts being heard in Moldova. Also, pray for our Teen Project, which creates programs for teenagers and invites them to in-person meetings to learn more about Christ and the Bible, pray together, and get to know our local broadcasters in Moldova. Pray for hearts to be open to the Gospel as they build strong relationships in these gatherings.

<u>Saturday, January 25</u> - Please pray for people living in Indonesia—the most populous Muslim nation in the world. FEBC has shared the Good News to listeners there for over 50 years. Ask the Lord to guide and direct our team so that more people hear and experience the power of God's Word and come to faith.

<u>Sunday, January 26</u> - Praise God for changing lives in Mongolia! A listener recently said: "I heard the Good News on the radio for the first time. My understanding (of Jesus) is growing and I'm so thankful!" Please pray that more hearts will be open to receive the truth of the Gospel in Mongolia.

**Monday, January 27** - Pray for FEBC Ukraine as they continue to broadcast in the cities of Kyiv and Ivano-Frankivsk. These two stations are receiving the majority of FEBC Ukraine's listener responses, especially in Kyiv, the capital. Please pray for the people in this region to hear about the hope of Christ through FEBC's programs.

<u>Tuesday, January 28</u> - Please pray for listeners like Alyona, from Russia, who was taking care of a child with special needs. "Thank you so much for your program. I sometimes get very tired, and there is no one I can talk to. Thank you for listening to me and responding. Thank you for your prayers! Your programs are such a great resource for me. I've learned so much about my relationships with my children." Please pray for FEBC Russia's family programs which are addressing a great need in Russian society.

**Wednesday, January 29** - Thank God for the increase in listeners on FEBC Cambodia's social media channels. Pray that the hearts of these new listeners will be open to the Good News and accept Jesus as their Savior.

**Thursday, January 30** - Please pray for people in Kazakhstan. Recently, our local team has expanded to help support the growing outreach efforts to Muslim listeners both young and old. May the Lord continue to direct our team as they broadcast the Good News and build new relationships with listeners.

<u>Friday, January 31</u> - In remote parts of Central Asia, there are people groups that have never heard the story of Jesus in their own language. Pray for new opportunities to share God's love and the amazing gift of Salvation through Jesus Christ.

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## Unreached Prayer Focus: The Unreached

In global missions, the term "unreached" refers to people groups who have little or no access to the Gospel. Many live in a small rectangular geographic area called the "10/40 Window" which stretches from North Africa through the Middle East to Asia. It's also called "The Resistance Belt" because it includes the majority of the world's Muslims, Hindus, and Buddhists who are often the most resistant to conversion.

Of the world's current population of over 8 billion people, an astonishing 3.4 billion remain unreached.1 That's 42% of every living soul on earth! Typically, the unreached do not have a Bible in their language or a church in their community. Most have never even met a Christian before. As a result, they are unlikely to hear about Jesus unless someone outside their culture tells them.

The reasons they remain unreached are many. In some cases, it is due to cultural, linguistic, or geographic barriers. In other cases, it is because of oppressive governments and religious systems that are antagonistic to the Gospel. But unfortunately, one of the main reasons is that 99% of funds given to missions today are directed to people groups that are already reached.2 This leaves only 1% of global missions funding for taking the Gospel to the unreached.

1Cited from The Joshua Project 2Cited from an Article by David Platt

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