

UNREACHED PRAYER FOCUS: THE BURMESE

The Burmese are a people group of around 32 million, living almost entirely in Myanmar (formerly known as Burma). The Burmese are split between urban areas and rural, with urban populations living with many of the comforts of other prosperous nations in Southeast Asia. In rural areas, many are farmers, growing crops such as rice, fruits and vegetables and palm tree products like oil and coconuts.

Most Burmese follow Buddhism with elements animism and spiritualism. Many are concerned with finding ways to appease evil spirits, so most homes also have altars for the spirits, as well as a statue of Buddha.

On February 1, 2021, the Burmese people in Myanmar woke up to a military coup which imprisoned the elected civilian government. Protesters took to the streets in ongoing demonstrations. They were met with harsh and violent suppression from the military, resulting in thousands of deaths. The crisis remains ongoing.

Because of the current civil war, and other conflicts from decades past, Christian outreach to the Burmese has been extremely difficult. Less than 1% of Burmese are Evangelical Christians. So few have heard the good news of Jesus Christ.

PRAY FOR THE **BURMESE**

Saturday, March 1

Pray for the **Burmese** people, that they will look to the Lord for answers in the midst of their great pain and struggle. May they find hope in Christ through the message of the Gospel. Ask God to strengthen the witness of FEBC broadcasters, evangelists, churches, and believers who are sharing the Good News.





Sunday, March 2

The island nation of Japan is home to over 125 million people and only 0.5% of them are Christian. Pray for people to discover lasting truth and hope found in the Gospel, especially the Japanese youth who often struggle with depression and self-esteem.

Monday, March 3

"Thank you for being with me during the darkest time of my life," said Karina, a teenage girl from **Ukraine.** Karina was in the hospital after a suicide attempt. "I am in such a better place. Thank you for sharing God's love with me. Now I know that He is always with me." Please pray for Karina and for other teens who are struggling with depression and hopelessness, to let the love of Christ surround and heal their hearts.

Tuesday, March 4

Despite economic and political turmoil in **Belarus,** God is expanding FEBC's ministry there. Our programs are reaching larger, younger audiences through social media. Pray for many to hear and accept the Gospel and feel His presence in their lives.

UWednesday, March 5

Pray for the unreached people in Cambodia. Also, pray for our local programmers who regularly meet with listeners face-to-face. May the Cambodian people discover the one, true God and accept Jesus as their Savior.

Thursday, March 6

Please pray for those living in **Kyrgyzstan**. The war in Ukraine has impacted this country on several economic and political levels. Ask the Lord to guide our team as they broadcast the Good News and respond to the rapidly growing audience of social media listeners.

Friday, March 7

Please pray for the people of **Myanmar.** The entire country is in chaos, and many are suffering. Thousands have left their cities and homes to escape military attacks. Pray for FEBC's team to not grow weary in sharing the Good News so that many would come to know Jesus as their Savior.

Saturday, March 8

Pray for the people of **South Korea**. A listener recently wrote: "Hallelujah! Yesterday, through your broadcast, my mother accepted Christ as her Savior! I am very grateful to FEBC." May God bring many more stories of salvation to the Korean Peninsula.

□ Sunday, March 9

Please pray for listeners like Turar, from Kazakhstan, who discovered the Gospel through FEBC Kazakhstan's social media programs. "I used to be a devoted Muslim.... but after a while, I realized there was no truth there. So, I turned away from Islam. Now I am looking for the true path." Turar is speaking regularly with FEBC's broadcasters about Jesus and Christianity. Please pray for him to see the truth of the Gospel and to place his faith in Christ.

□ Monday, March 10

In the Buddhist-dominant country of **Thailand,** there are over 3,800 students participating in FEBC's Bible Correspondence Course. Many of the participants are in prison and have come to faith through studying the Bible. Pray for these students to have open hearts and minds as they study the life of Jesus.

Tuesday, March 11

Many Christians living in **Pakistan** feel isolated from society due to the dominance of Islam. When they listen to FEBC's broadcasts, they experience encouragement and realize they are not alone. Pray for the Lord to provide more opportunities for Christian community and draw hearts closer to Christ.

□ Wednesday, March 12

Please pray for the unreached people of **Russia.** As the Russian government continues to increase restrictions on free speech, our team is continuing to spread the Good News, seeing countless lives transformed. Please pray for the FEBC Russia team as they find new ways to continue sharing the Gospel in these difficult times.

□ Thursday, March 13

India has surpassed China as the most populous nation in the world and it is 95% unreached. Pray the Gospel broadcasts will reach the hearts of listeners in this spiritually dark country and point them to faith in Jesus Christ.

Friday, March 14

Gospel broadcasts are reaching people in **Laos** through MP3 players, shortwave radio, and Facebook Live. Pray for God's strength for believers who are persecuted and for more Lao people to come to believe and trust in God through Jesus Christ.

Saturday, March 15

Pray for the ethnic people groups who do not have access to a Bible in their own language. These listeners often record FEBC's programs to help them grow in their faith. May God's Word come alive in their hearts and encourage them to share the love of Jesus with others.

□ Sunday, March 16

A listener in China shared: "Through three years of listening to your radio programs, I know that Christianity is not superstitious, but true religion. I decided to commit my life to Christ." Please pray for many more listeners to discover the truth of God's love, just like this listener.

Monday, March 17

Please pray for those living in Japan. We often hear from those who desire the salvation of Jesus but hesitate due to opposition from their Buddhist families. Pray for God to guide our team as they share Christian radio and media broadcasts of the Gospel and build relationships with listeners.

□ Tuesday, March 18

Please pray for FEBC **Russia's** children's programming that is currently being developed. We have seen children's programs have a strong impact on young listeners, who become interested in Jesus and want to "become friends" with Him. We also see parents begin to open their hearts to the Gospel through the influence of their children.

□ Wednesday. March 19

A listener named Lyudmila in Ukraine recently shared, "Thank you for sharing Jesus with me! I thought I knew about Him already, but now I truly do! I believe he can save my son too!" Please pray for Lyudmila as she begins her new walk with Christ, and for her son to come to know the Lord as well. Also, ask God to continue to guide FEBC's prayer counselors as they respond to numerous listeners who are seeking truth and peace.



□ Thursday, March 20

Let's 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.

Friday, March 21

Praise God for blessing His Word through FEBC's ministry in **Cambodia.** New listeners are hearing the Gospel from our broadcasters and accepting Jesus as their Savior!

□ Saturday, March 22

Pray for the unreached people of the **Philippines.** Pray also for God to guide FEBC's staff and ethnic broadcasters as they build relationships with listeners and share the life-changing message of hope in Christ.

□ Sunday, March 23

Pray for the 3.2 million people living in Moldova, a country just west of Ukraine. May FEBC's broadcasts reach the unreached and bring spiritual renewal, encouragement, and peace to people living there. Pray also for God to direct our team as they share the Good News and seek effective ways to connect with listeners.

Monday, March 24

Praise God for a successful Bible teaching gathering of Hmong people in **Thailand**. Over 370 people attended and 80% were from Laos. May the teaching shared at this gathering strengthen the faith of everyone in attendance and inspire them to share the Good News with other family and friends.

□ Tuesday, March 25

A listener in Mongolia shared: "I know I am here on this earth to declare Jesus as my Lord to all of my family... and to pray with them!" Thank God for the power of prayer moving through this Mongolian family. May thousands more come to know and experience His unfailing love and grace.

U Wednesday, March 26

Pray for our staff in **Kazakhstan** as they train new team members. Due to political and religious conflict, our team must use extreme caution and wisdom as they share the Good News. May the Gospel message continue to spread to the unreached in this country.

□ Thursday, March 27

Pray for people living in **Pakistan**, especially for those facing difficult circumstances. FEBC's team has been sharing the Gospel and building relationships with listeners in this country for 50 years. Ask the Lord for guidance and courage as we counsel those who are resistant towards God's Word. May His grace and mercy transform their hearts.

Friday, March 28

Please pray for the people of Malaysia, a country in Southeastern Asia with over 16 million unreached people. Pray for FEBC's ministry team in Malaysia to have wisdom, protection, and new ideas to reach more people with the Good News.

Saturday, March 29

Praise God for our strong and clear radio broadcasts in Indonesia. Pray for listeners of our broadcasts to grow in their faith and share what they learn about Jesus with others.

Sunday, March 30

Praise God! Several new churches in India are now partnering with FEBC. Pray for God to guide these new endeavors for His glory. Also, pray for our production teams as they create effective and relevant content to reach new listeners.

Monday, March 31

Please pray for FEBC's teen meetings in Moldova, where local non-Christian teens come together to meet FEBC's broadcasters and experience the community which is so lacking in their lives. They hear the Gospel message at these meetings, learn more about the Bible, and engage in deeper conversations with our team. Please pray for God to move powerfully among the youth in Moldova.



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