## PRAYERTARGET

"My heart says of you, 'Seek His face!' Your face, Lord, I will seek" (Psalm 27:8).

In Psalm 27, David states that his one request of the Lord is to spend his life in God's presence, gazing upon the beauty of the Lord. Amazingly, with all of the challenges and losses David faced at different points in his life, and with everything he could be asking of the Lord, David says his first priority is to dwell in God's presence...to have face-to-face interaction with Him.

As we spend time in God's presence, the Lord reorders our priorities and revives our souls. As we gaze upon the beauty of the Lord, our hearts increasingly beat in rhythm with the heart of the Father. We find joy in those things that bring the Father joy and experience grief over those things that grieve the Father. This is the Spirit of God at work in us, forming us into a clearer reflection of the image of God.

May we all join in David's declaration, "Your face, Lord, I will seek," as together we bring our requests before Him and give honor to His holy name.

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Until all have heard,

Edward W. Cannon President and CEO Monday, October 1 – Pray for FEBC broadcasts that reach remote areas of Indonesia where visits by pastors and evangelists are rare or non-existent. Many are illiterate, but they are hungry for God's truth. Pray for the funds necessary to purchase Gospel Speaker Boxes and radios that provide hours of biblical teaching and are very cost effective in this predominantly Muslim nation. Pray, too, for our teams, as they follow up with listeners.

**Tuesday, October 2 –** Pray for "Whisper," a program for teens produced by our **Mongolia** team. Half of the population of this country is under 18, which is why it's so important they hear the Good News. Counselors are available after the program to answer their questions and provide support.

Wednesday, October 3 – For many in Japan, FEBC is their only church. It is the only Christian broadcast in all of Japan, where less than 1% of the population is believers. Please pray for our team. And please pray for the people of Japan, that they will seek God.

Thursday, October 4 – Dmitry from Russia wrote: "I recently began listening to FEBC. As a child, I was baptized in the Russian Orthodox Church, but was not really interested in religion. I thought church was for old people. Now I am discovering that there are many non-Russian Orthodox churches, with lots of young people in them! I am learning a lot from your programs, discovering what Christian faith really is. Please pray that I will be a real believer." Pray that Dmitry will continue to seek God through FEBC broadcasts, and find a church where he can enjoy fellowship and discipleship.

Friday, October 5 – Praise God that FEBC was recently able to add 6 new languages to our total number. We are now sharing Christ in 113 languages worldwide! We thank God...and our many supporters who partner with FEBC to produce broadcasts and distribute radios to hundreds of millions who might not otherwise know they have a Savior.

**Saturday, October 6** – Please pray for believers who are persecuted for their faith in Jesus. We hear miraculous stories of listeners who have accepted Christ as their Savior and are then maligned, discriminated against,

injured, and persecuted by authorities, neighbors and family members. Please pray that God will give them the strength they need to persevere.

**Sunday, October 7** – Pray for Vladimir and his wife who write programs for children, which are aired on our FEBC **Ukraine** broadcasts. These age appropriate programs help children experience the love of God. Please pray for open hearts. Pray, too, for the many listeners who have responded to our broadcasts. We're encouraged to see many turning to God.

## "Every time I listen to your programs, I learn something new."

Listener from the Russia

Monday, October 8 – FEBC distributes thousands of radios a year, thanks to faithful supporters who make this possible. Earlier this year, our team in Cambodia distributed 200 radios to a remote province. People were very open to the Gospel and told us the radio programs encourage them to follow Jesus. Praise God for the open hearts of these listeners! Please pray for the provision of more radios to be distributed.

**Tuesday, October 9 –** Please continue to pray for the new station FEBC plans to launch in 2019 that will reach all of **North Korea**. Up till now, some of our South Korean stations could be heard in North Korea, but with spotty coverage. Once our new station is operational, everyone in North Korea will be able to tune into the Good News. Imagine how lifetransforming that will be!

Wednesday, October 10 – Our team in Thailand maintains an extensive follow-up ministry through phone calls, emails, texts, and personal visits to listeners' homes. They also host frequent rallies where listeners and new believers can worship the Lord together and study the Bible. Pray that new and future listeners will respond to God's call upon their lives.

**Thursday, October 11** – FEBC's very first station launched from Manila, **Philippines** in 1948. Since then, we have established 12 stations in this island nation of 104+ million. A listener writes: "*I recently became* 

a Christian because of your radio ministry. I am a child of God now! Thank you for caring enough to build this radio station to bring the Good News to us!" Pray for more to come to faith.

Friday, October 12 – Please pray for Janysh, FEBC's station manager in Kyrgyzstan, and all the staff of this Central Asian country. Pray that many will tune in and respond to the messages they hear and continue to listen, opening the door to one day choosing to make Jesus Lord of their life.

**Saturday, October 13** – One of 86 ethnic groups that FEBC broadcasts to, the Hmong was once animistic, but our programs have proven to be highly effective in bringing many to Christ. "We are still trying to understand how to live like Christians. Please pray for us," one listener told us. Please keep the Hmong in your prayers.

Sunday, October 14 – Please pray for our First Response Radio teams who are ready to move into action should a disaster strike their country, especially places like Indonesia, India, Pakistan and the Philippines, where natural disasters often occur. Our teams establish radio stations within 72 hours, where they provide life-saving information to people struggling to survive.

Monday, October 15 – Pray for Nurlan and his team in Kazakhstan, a predominantly Muslim nation. FEBC continues to await an FM license, but until then, we offer our broadcasts via the Internet. Please pray for the government to issue FEBC a license.

Tuesday, October 16 – Praise God for the overwhelming audience response we receive, which is a good indication of just how many people tune into our broadcasts. In 2017, our teams received a total of 2.26 million responses by letter, email, text and phone calls, as well as 5 million visitors to our websites. Like the tip of an iceberg, these numbers represent a small number of listeners who regularly tune into our broadcasts. Please pray for changed lives as a result of hearing God's Word.

Wednesday, October 17 – A listener from Vietnam writes: "I'm a pastor of a church. Our people listen to FEBC's Speaker Boxes in their homes and in the fields when they work. Your new series 'Through the Bible' is very helpful. Praise the Lord!" Pray for our team in Vietnam. Pray for safety as they work in a restricted country. Also pray for lives to be changed, as many are hearing about Jesus for the very first time.

**Thursday, October 18** – Please pray for our International Service Team who maintain our stations, develop our media capacities, and equip our international teams. They oversee equipment that must meet challenging climates, deal with inconsistent power supply and grapple with geographical challenges.

## "I have learned to love the Lord through your broadcasts."

Listener from Mongolia

**Friday, October 19** – Due to the restrictions inherent in the **Yemen** culture, our broadcasts must be produced outside the country. Please pray for those who research, write and produce our programs. Christians in Yemen often tune into our broadcast *Reality Church*, which serves as a church service in a country where none exists.

**Saturday, October 20** – Please pray for our International Directors. Pray for godly leadership, patience, wisdom and the courage to follow God's leading in His time. Pray, too, for travel safety when they are on the road meeting with broadcasters and listeners.

Sunday, October 21 – Today is World Mission Sunday. Please be in prayer for missionaries worldwide who serve the Lord far from home. Pray for wisdom, a strong faith and the courage to share God's love with others. Pray, too, for mission agencies that are on the front lines of evangelizing a lost world. Monday, October 22 – Praise God for a new harvest of believers in Malawi! Our production team has been visiting numerous villages, distributing radios and encouraging people to tune into our Bible messages. Two hundred Christian clubs throughout the country are also making a big difference in bringing people to Christ. Recently, our Malawi director baptized 56 new believers! Pray for more.

Tuesday, October 23 – In India, the government wants the country to become "one nation, one language, one religion," placing many gurus as ministers. Persecution is on the rise. Please pray for our team who are committed to serving the Lord under these strained conditions.

Wednesday, October 24 – Persecution against Christians is also on the rise in many other countries, including **Pakistan**. Please pray for courage and clarity for believers. Pray that God will sustain them and give them the wisdom and strength to carry on.

**Thursday, October 25 –** In **Mozambique**, rampant domestic violence is being challenged by biblical teaching and family/health programs hosted by FEBC. Recently a male listener told staff he wasn't aware a woman should be treated well until he heard a message on an FEBC broadcast. Pray for God's love to fill the hearts of these people.

Friday, October 26 – A high-ranking North Korean military officer defected to South Korea after receiving Christ while listening to FEBC. He committed his life to the Lord and is now a pastor in **South Korea**. Praise God! Please pray for many hearts to be stirred.

**Saturday, October 27** – Family seminars are held in rural provinces of **Cambodia** to provide practical skills and a safe place for listeners to heal and learn godly principles. Family and Bible programs are most often requested. Pray for those that attend. A listener writes: "Now I try to love and to put away anger and violence and to give my family quality time." Praise God for how He's using FEBC to change the hearts of many.

**Sunday, October 28 –** With Islam pushing down from the north in Africa, FEBC is creating a "media wall," broadcasting the Good News from **South Africa**, which is helping to make a difference. Join us in praying for our broadcasts to open the hearts and minds of listeners to the truth of God's love.

**Monday, October 29** – Our newest radio station is now on the air in Talas, **Kyrgyzstan**. Pray that our programs will be heard by many in this culturally Muslim nation.

**Tuesday, October 30** – FEBC recently received a letter from **China** telling us that people there are secretly worshipping God as a result of listening to our broadcasts. Pray that people tuning in will recognize the God-shaped vacuum in their hearts that only faith in Him can satisfy. Pray for spiritual growth and a deep desire to know God.

Wednesday, October 31 – FEBC's ministry to the people of Ukraine continues to grow, with our 7<sup>th</sup> station opening last July. Listeners from all over the country are contacting us, such as Anna: "My life has been transformed these past 6 months since I started listening to your broadcasts. I was exhausted by the political chaos, daily shelling and total depression in our city. Now I'm enjoying a vibrant, hopeful life." How can this transformation be explained? One thing only: the joy that God instills in the heart of every believer.



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