

PRAYER TARGET

“The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth” (John 1:14).

We have seen His glory. Truly that is the theme running through all of our festivities and celebrations at this time of year. From the words of Mary “my soul magnifies the Lord,” to the sounds of the angels singing “glory to God in the highest,” to the joy welling up in our hearts today, we worship the Lord because we have seen His glory.

Our celebrations are made more rich and meaningful because we know that the Child born that night long ago became our great sacrifice. We who were estranged from God and held hostage by the weight of sin and brokenness have seen the great light and been restored into relationship with God. What Good News!

It is our privilege to partner with you to carry this amazing news into places around the world where it is so sorely needed. The Word became flesh, lived with us, and continues to dwell in our hearts, empowering us to be His hands and feet to bring the Gospel to this generation.

Until all have heard,



Edward W. Cannon
President and CEO

Saturday, December 1 – Persecution against Christians continues to grow in **China**. Recently, school officials told staff in a major city in southeastern China that the government would send delegates to “inspect” any religious activities taking place amongst teachers or children. Teachers and staff have been forbidden to participate in church activities or to share their faith with students. “Consequences” would result if regulations are disobeyed. Please pray for the many Christians living in this area, facing punishment for practicing Christianity.

Sunday, December 2 – A Hmong listener from **Vietnam** writes: *“I listen to your Bible program on the radio every day. I jot down notes and when Sunday comes, I share them with members of my church. I study like this every day. That is why I am able to know more of God’s work daily. Thank you for teaching us.”* It’s such an encouragement to hear from people who grow in their faith by listening to FEBC broadcasts. Please pray that hearts will continue to be drawn to God.

Monday, December 3 – Please pray for FEBC’s efforts to raise funds for the Evangelism Center in Kiev, **Ukraine**. Due to the additional stations launched in Ukraine during the past 2 years, thanks to God, more space is needed to produce additional programs, videos and live broadcasts, to be aired throughout Ukraine and Russia. The phenomenal response has been so encouraging and our staff are responding to many listeners, eager to learn more about the hope found in Christ. To date, 60% of needed funds have been raised.

Tuesday, December 4 – Dmitri from **Russia** wrote to tell us: *“Listening to FEBC, I became a Christian years ago. After several Christian stations closed recently, I never thought I would hear another one again. You can’t imagine how happy I was when I discovered FEBC on the Internet! Now I listen to you every day; I like all your programs. Thank you, friends, for real Christian broadcasts that help me remain strong in my faith.”*

Wednesday, December 5 – Please pray for God’s wisdom and sensitivity for FEBC follow-up staff, who interact with listeners on a personal level. We often see more results, more conversions, and more instances where listeners connect with Christ-centered churches when they have first talked to FEBC staff following our broadcasts.

Thursday, December 6 – Please pray for Seil, one of our broadcasters in Bishkek, **Kyrgyzstan**. She produces a talk show for women who struggle in their relationships with abusive men. Pray for wisdom and sensitivity.

Friday, December 7 – Praise God for the many FEBC programmers who dedicate countless hours to producing broadcasts in 86 different ethnic languages, such as the Akha, Shan, Lisu, Stieng, and Raday. These programs reach millions of listeners who might not ever hear about Jesus, our Savior. Please pray for wisdom for our broadcasters.

Saturday, December 8 – A listener in **Indonesia** writes: *“I live in the jungles of Central Java. I thank the Lord for your programs; I feel so blessed!”* Pray for more listeners to be reached.

“My wife and I enjoy your ‘Thought of the Day,’ where you share wisdom from the Bible.”

Listener from Pakistan

Sunday, December 9 – FEBC recently obtained ownership of *Radio Fountain of Truth* in **Mozambique**. Praise God for this new undertaking, as this station has the potential to reach an estimated 10.5 million listeners within **Mozambique, Malawi, and Tanzania**.

Monday, December 10 – Violence aimed at Christians in **India** has sharply increased in recent years, mostly carried out by Hindu extremists, who are focused on eradicating religious minority groups in the country. While India’s constitution guarantees religious freedom, believers are subjected to all forms of harassment. Pray for the safety of our ministry team in India...and all Christians there.

Tuesday, December 11 – Praise God for the thousands of radios FEBC distributed in numerous countries in 2018, thanks to the generosity of our donors. Without these radios, many would have no other way of tuning in and hearing the Good News of Jesus.

Wednesday, December 12 – According to Open Door’s watch list, FEBC works in 22 of the 50 countries where being a follower of Christ can mean persecution and imprisonment. Please pray for FEBC’s ministry staff who work under difficult circumstances.

Thursday, December 13 – A listener in **Cambodia** writes: *“Most of my fellow villagers are ethnic people who are illiterate, but they can understand by listening. Through your broadcasts, we have grown in our faith...thank you so much!”* Praise God, and please pray for our director of FEBC Cambodia, Makara. He and his staff address spiritual, emotional, and practical needs to complement the work of the church in Cambodia.

Friday, December 14 – Please pray for our staff in **Pakistan** who courageously share the Gospel in a country where 95% of the population are Muslims. A listener writes: *“I had some misunderstanding about Christianity and the authenticity of the Bible, but after hearing your programs, I have a clear vision and very positive attitude toward the Holy Bible. Thanks for such an opportunity for learning and sharing.”*

Saturday, December 15 – Pray for new believers in **Yemen** who tune into our program called *Reality Church*, which serves as a church service for people living in a country where Christians are persecuted and no churches are available. *“Loving Christ is a grave sin here,”* one listener shared.

Sunday, December 16 – Please pray for the myriad details, including fundraising efforts underway, in preparation for the radio station that will reach all of **North Korea**. It will have the capacity to reach everyone living in this secluded country led by Kim Jung-un, where Christians are imprisoned, tortured or even killed for following Jesus.

Monday, December 17 – Many people in prisons tune into FEBC broadcasts and find forgiveness and new hope through a relationship with Jesus, such as Mr. A from **Thailand**: *“I really like your program. I got to know Jesus while I was in prison. Before that, I had never heard of Him. I have been out of jail for 3 years and I continue to listen to you every day. Please pray for me. Where I live, bad things happen regularly. Pray that God will deliver me from temptations.”* Please pray.

Tuesday, December 18 – FEBC-China’s Liangyou Theological Seminary (LTS), a 2-year, on-air program, has graduated almost 3,000 people since its inception, who go on to serve as pastors and Bible study leaders. Currently, LTS has over 5,200 active students. Pray that all those committing themselves to this rigorous study will one day shepherd a church and help others to grow in their spiritual walk.

Wednesday, December 19 – Pray for our team in **Mongolia**, including our director, Batjargal, who oversees 10 radio stations throughout the country. Many believers here are under the age of 40; older Mongolians were raised during a time of Soviet influence, when atheism was promoted. Historically, Mongolians believed in Buddhism and Shamanism. Pray for more hearts to turn to Christ.

Thursday, December 20 – Please pray for listeners in **India** who often find our programs on the radio while searching for support or comfort in a time of need. Pray that the programs will serve as God’s healing voice for women. Also pray that men who tune in will be challenged to change their attitudes and behavior towards their wives, sisters and daughters.

Friday, December 21 – In **Myanmar**, FEBC produces programs in the Burmese language, as well as 5 ethnic languages. Our team there concentrates on building closer relationships with every listener who contacts them, most of them non-believers. They also help Christian listeners connect to other ministries for support. Please pray for our team.

Saturday, December 22 – A listener in **Kazakhstan** writes: “God’s creation is good, beautiful and original. I’m thankful to God for His generous mercy and grace. It leads to real peace within us and a sincere appreciation of our Creator.” Amen! We thank God for this listener who loves the Lord.

Sunday, December 23 – Please pray for the directors of FEBC’s 26 offices located around the world. From Australia to Indonesia, Russia to Korea, our teams are intent on one thing: sharing the Gospel...until all have heard!

Monday, December 24 – Please pray that the people of **Japan** will discover that the Good News is a gift meant for all people. Culturally, many in this country think of Christianity as a Western religion, not appropriate for them. Pray that their hearts will be open to God’s grace.

Tuesday, December 25 – Christmas Day! Today we celebrate the best gift of all...a Savior! Rejoice in God’s extravagant love! Thank you, Father, for the priceless gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. “For unto us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders, and He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace” (Isaiah 9:6).

“Thank you for your broadcast that encouraged us to pray for our government; they need our prayers not our derision.”

Listener from the Kazakhstan

Wednesday, December 26 – Praise God for the recent positive feedback received from listeners to our *Sparrow* programs in **North Africa**. Thank God that their openness to the Gospel has increased.

Thursday, December 27 – FEBC staff travel to remote areas to visit the people groups to whom they broadcast, in order to share further and encourage people in their faith. Please pray for safety for staff. Pray, too, that God will equip, provide and protect them.

Friday, December 28 – A pastor of a Koho language church in **Vietnam** uses FEBC’s Gospel Speaker Boxes to teach his congregation about the Bible. These Gospel teachings are incredibly useful as weekly lessons. As a result, many are growing in their faith! Pray for the Lord to guide them on their Christian journey.

Saturday, December 29 – Please pray for Rudi, who oversees FEBC’s ministry in **Central Asia**. Pray that God will bless our programs in **Kazakhstan** and **Kyrgyzstan**, so that many nominal Muslim listeners will come to know Jesus.

Sunday, December 30 – Since our FM station in **Cambodia** does not currently reach the northwestern area of the country, FEBC’s team visited this area to distribute Gospel Speaker Boxes. Please pray for new believers to be filled with the Holy Spirit and to encourage one another.

Monday, December 31 – Here at FEBC, we’re so encouraged by our faithful supporters who take seriously the questions posed in Romans 10:14: “How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent?” Thank you for your heart to reach people around the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Thank you for your prayers and support. We are so grateful for your partnership! May God richly bless you in 2019!



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