

Stories of faith, hope and love from the **Far East Broadcasting Company**.
Together we broadcast *Christ to the World by Media*.

Drive-in worship beats Covid



Hundreds of carloads of families are gathering in carparks in Indonesia to enjoy worship services by FM radio, and stay safely distanced to beat the spread of Covid-19.

In cooperation with the local church FEBC Indonesia (known as Heartline FM) has organised weekly Drive-in services so that families can come together to worship, listen to sermons, and see each other, but remain within the safety of their own cars.

The worship, notices and sermon are lead from a stage at the front of the carpark, and everything is broadcast on FEBC's Heartline FM and mobile App. The carloads of worshippers can see and hear everything, and even participate by messaging the admin team with prayer requests and short testimonies.

Honk if you agree!

A spokesperson for FEBC Heartline Indonesia said that when worshippers appreciate the message and the prayers, they toot their car horns! Miss Firgy said that while the pandemic has changed everything in life, the desire to gather for worship is a deep longing for Christians and the idea to meet in cars and communicate by radio is an example of the creativity that God gives us.

“In fact, many listeners testify to drawing closer to Jesus in this difficult pandemic season, and we thank God for the media technology and the talented co-workers to make this new church event possible.”

Thank you for supporting FEBC. New Zealand pledges support for our partners in Indonesia. Listeners tune-in from all backgrounds to be inspired and discipled. You can read more and see encouraging videos by visiting our website: febc.nz/news



Preaching to carloads of people in Indonesia

Testimonies from Asia

Because healthy lives are lived in relationships, we highly value being close to our listeners.

This means every FEBC station has a team of Audience Relations people who take calls, visit listeners, and relate to our audience as personally as possible. We receive thousands of communications every week from people of all backgrounds and in various stages of their relationship with God. Notice in these testimonies how graciously the Holy Spirit draws people to God the Father.



Not making it up!

Dear FEBC,

I am a Muslim, the people in my community and all my relatives are also Muslims. I'm working as a maid. This is the first time I have contacted you. I want a book to read because I like learning about God. I've listened to your program "This Life has an Answer" for a long time. It is very good but I wish it was longer! I feel that it ends too quickly. I realise now that you Christians are not making up what you're saying about God."

Thanks, Ms. A

Like God is near

Dear FEBC,

I practice Islam. Can you send me a book about God that's easy to understand? I feel like there's a voice that others aren't hearing, but I am. I've listened to the program for about a week, but I was too afraid to call. Today I decided to phone in. When I listen to the program, it gives me confidence, like God is near. I am not afraid of what may happen in life, thus I dare to make a phone call to you. The staff gave me advice and recommendations like a friend would, like a sibling. This gave me even more confidence and comfort. Thank you so much."

Ms. N

Radio Bible studio in prison

Dear FEBC,

Ever since I was born, I never prayed for anyone, never felt guilty for my sins and never knew what sin was. Others told me what I was doing was wrong. I thought that if what I did felt good, then it was good. I did it without caring about anyone at all. Now, I am receiving what is due for my own mistakes: I was sentenced to 4 years and 2 months in prison. In prison, I got to know a Christian and studied your FEBC Bible Correspondence course. I was introduced to the Word of God through the Bible. My life has changed for the better. Thank God for saving me."

Mr T



Audience Relations staff visit listeners regularly.



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Awarding goodness in Mongolia



Bayasaa (centre) and her co-workers

FEBC Mongolia journalist Bayasaa, has been recognised by the Mongolian Journalism Association for outstanding work. Bayasaa (pictured in the middle) is an experienced member of the WindFM team who researches and hosts several programmes discussing social issues and promoting mental health and wellbeing. This award is called the “Sharp Writer,” recognising her as the “Mongolian Radio Journalist of the Year.”

Bayasaa welcomes various psychologists on the programme to bring deep and diverse help for listeners. Topics for discussion have included: Finding happiness, Taking responsibility, Personal change, Hope, Love & Fear, Being positive, The effects of cheating etc.

Matt Perry, Executive Director of FEBC New Zealand, commented: “Helping a Buddhist nation to address its worst problems from a Christian perspective practically helps families, and opens people’s hearts to consider Jesus seriously.”

FEBC has grown a large network of 13 FM stations across the country, broadcasting Christian ethos programmes on many contemporary challenges facing society. From alcoholism to family violence, teenage pregnancy and poverty, WindFM programmes and announcers bring practical biblical wisdom, and point people to Jesus Christ.

In the 13th century Mongolia became the greatest land empire ever known. Under Genghis Khan it stretched from China and Korea to Central Asia. In 1990 the first ever multi-party democracy was instituted, but the country has struggled with residual communism, corruption, and failure to help the poor.

This latest broadcasting award is a great affirmation that Christian outreach radio can be biblically sound and highly professional. Please pray for Mongolia, its 3.2 million mostly Buddhist-Shamanist population, and for your FEBC co-workers.



To listen to WindFM online visit www.1045.mn

Give listeners 20 Minutes with Jesus



People are tuning in and reaching out for help during this strange Covid season, and the constant broadcasting of Christian ethos programmes is reaching millions every week, as was envisioned 75 years ago. When you sponsor monthly airtime anywhere with FEBC you become a **Dedicated Broadcaster**. If not already, please think about investing yourself monthly and being part of the vision to broadcast Christ to the world by media in 2021.

Dedicated Broadcasters sponsors 20 minutes per month for \$30. Imagine people hearing about Jesus Christ because of the 20 minutes you provided!

Each year we give our **Dedicated Broadcasters** a special opportunity to write to a station to encourage the team directly. Call us today, or visit febc.nz/dedicated



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Cheques: What you need to know now.

It seems that most New Zealand banks will be phasing-out cheques by July this year, 2021.

As long as your bank still accepts cheques – FEBC (and others) still gratefully accept cheques. However! Time is running out to familiarise with other methods of paying and donating.

We acknowledge that this is a stressful and inconvenient issue for many people. If there's anything we can do to help you, please freephone us on 0800 433 226. We would love to send you a Help Sheet of useful tips for paying and donating without using cheques.

FEBC is a member of the Fundraising Institute of New Zealand. FINZ has done everything they can to lobby the government and the banks, and help reduce the impact of this change.

FEBC has excellent telephone and online donation facilities, using the highest level security available for credit card and debit card transactions. We also pay the lowest transaction fees possible, and no monthly merchant fee!

Your identification with FEBC mission – ‘to broadcast Christ to the world by media,’ and your commitment to support the nations is more vital now than ever. Christian outreach and discipleship broadcasting technology is surely a gift from God “for such a time as this” (Esther 4:14). If you need any assistance or guidance please freephone us, we're ready to help.

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Prayer for Listeners

A Bible reflection series to inspire prayer for our neighbours and FEBC listeners around the world.

This month's scripture readings are:
Genesis 50:20; Esther 4:14

These verses speak of the sovereignty of God, and the activity of people in the midst of frightening times. As the people of God, we are called into his fellowship and purpose. Like no other time in recent history, the world is searching for hope and meaning.

I am convinced that radio and media technology has developed to bless the world “for such a time as this.” The harm that the evil one intends to do to the nations through the coronavirus is enormous, but God is not caught by surprise and He is able to accomplish good through this season.

Please pray:

- For Esther moments on the radio, when hosts offer the perfect life-giving truths that listeners need to hear right now!
- That many will tune-in and find the comfort they desperately need today, and turn away from despair towards Jesus Christ.
- That station staff will constantly turn to God and enjoy the promise that he has positioned us for this season, to bless millions with health and spiritual good news!

Take courage,
Matt Perry.

Today Devotional Notebook



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