

Stories of faith, hope and love from the **Far East Broadcasting Company.**
Until all have heard.

91.4 Million are watching the radio!



How many mobile devices is this announcer streaming on?

Our stations that offer visual links are not producing video shows. The announcers are simply doing their job knowing that many people are looking as well as listening.

Visual radio uses Apps like Facebook Live, YouTube, Periscope, WhatsApp, Instagram, and regular FEBC websites streaming the programmes. It allows us to offer links, pictures, and added content to the screen. Viewers and listeners can click other resources like Bible studies, articles of interest, and websites.

As technology advances and people access news and information in new ways, you and FEBC are ensuring that the good news of Jesus Christ is accessible to young and old everywhere. Thank you.

*"I have been watching these broadcasts every day.
You have kept me alive."*

Text from a listener in Ukraine.

'Visual Radio' may sound like an oxymoron, but it is a real thing. Many younger people like to see the broadcasters in the studio and FEBC has millions of visual radio listeners around the world, and that number is growing.

Visual radio is just another way that people can tune-in to Christian outreach broadcasting. It is definitely not television.



Mobiles as well as microphones are standard equipment in radio.

North Korea covered in good news.

FEBC has been reaching the people of North Korea for years through AM and shortwave radio, and in October 2020 we launched a new 200,000 watt AM station to boost our coverage. The new station covers the entire country 18 hours a day. Anyone with an AM radio can hear the Good News that God loves them, and that there is hope for this life and the one to come.

While the people of North Korea can't phone or write to us, we know from North Korean refugees that people are listening and lives are being changed through the broadcasts. When FEBC first started broadcasting to China in the late 1940s, it took years to hear from people during the difficult reign of Mao Tse-Tung. We eventually received many thousands of letters indicating that Christian outreach and discipleship radio had saved and sustained millions through the decades, until the country opened up. We believe that God is using this ministry to North Korea similarly.

A good question: Is it true that the radios available in North Korea will only receive preset frequencies of government approved stations? Do you currently have a program for delivering radios to listeners in North Korea?

Answer: Do we ever! We have two methods for distributing radios into North Korea: Smuggling them across the border from China; and floating them across from the south under helium balloons!

In both situations FEBC works with other specialist ministries. We supply the radios and care packages to go with them. The packages include chocolate bars, personal and medical supplies.

With our partners in the region we have distributed thousands of radios and care packages in recent years.

FEBC South Korea has been reaching out to the North for over 60 years. With North Korean defectors on staff as producers and announcers, FEBC broadcasts testimony programmes, biblical dramas, music, and news from the South and around the world. Please pray that these radios will make it into North Korean households, and that all who hear will experience freedom in Christ.



North Koreans must bow before statues of the Kims.
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Kim Chung-seong broadcasts - "Hello from Seoul" into North Korea.



Getting ready to float radios and care to the north.



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Covid Care on-air.

FEBC Indonesia continues to innovate during the coronavirus pandemic with a new programme for infected listeners quarantining at home.

Heartline FM combines a daily broadcast with home deliveries of food packages and vitamins. This combo assists families isolating with infected Covid-19 patients.

Every day the programme offers important healthcare instructions and encouragement from God's Word for all ages. It includes talkback opportunities for sufferers to share their journeys, and advice about keeping a quarantined family safe and entertained and hopeful.

Heartline is cooperating with Indonesian government agencies to help people who are not receiving regular government social aid.

"FM radio and social media offer Covid-19 patients at home a supportive network of information, supplies, and friendship.

Quarantine can be a very lonely experience, so this programme is one way we can serve the community and sick people can find hope and provision at the same time." A spokesperson for FEBC Indonesia.



Information & supplies help Covid patients at home.

From Opposition to Pastor, in China.

"I began listening to Radio Liangyou out of curiosity. I made notes every time in order to find questionable issues and oppose the hosts. A few years later I got tired of life and wanted to commit suicide. So I wrote to a programme host and described my situation. I got a reply quite quickly, and a Christian tract inside.

I opened the tract and read. Before I finished my heart was deeply touched by God's love. The Holy Spirit was enlightening me, showing me that I was very mistaken about God. I cried out to God right there.

After that I listened to your station every day, especially the programme called "Radio Counselling Corner" which helped me the most. A year later I was called by the Lord and became a pastor. I am still a pastor today. Thank you FEBC."

FEBC New Zealand supports 100 Chinese Christians on the Mainland through our Bible College by Radio. To support this project, write 'China' on any donation form.



Radio Counselling programmes help many distant listeners.

Did you know? You can allocate donations to specific countries as mentioned in this newsletter, or simply to Where Most Needed (WMN). If any project receives more than enough, the extra funds will be used for a similar FEBC ministry partner where the need is greatest. Thank you for your prayers and support.



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Q&A

Do you have a question about FEBC ministry?

How are FEBC broadcasts allowed on the internet in countries where Christianity is unwelcome?

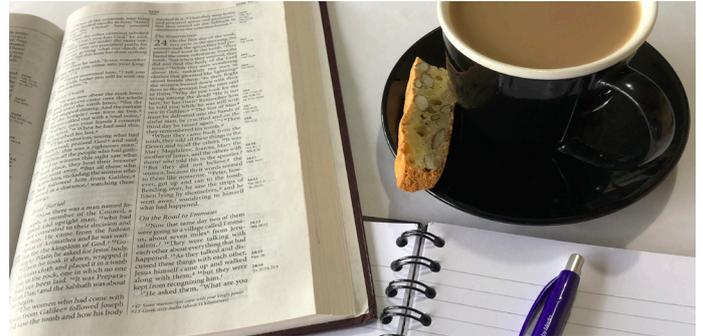
Good question. FEBC has made it a point to refrain from talking about politics ever since our inception.

Last century certain regimes would 'block' our radio broadcasts by broadcasting over the top of our signals with loud and unpleasant noise. There were fewer broadcasters then, and no internet, so governments had more resources available to restrict the Churches communications.

These days it's true that sometimes a country will shut down one of our audio streaming websites. But God makes a way, and we've almost always been able to launch new websites in their place so that listeners can successfully access our programmes and Bible teaching again. In fact, quite often when we relaunch a broadcast after a government shut down, we see greatly increased numbers of listeners finding us again!

Prayer for Listeners

A biblical devotion, short and sweet.



This month's scripture is Matthew 9:36.

All throughout Jesus' healing and revealing tour of Galilee and the Decapolis, and including the Sermon on the Mount, he was followed by large crowds. These were masses of interested listeners, people hoping for a life-changing encounter of some sort. Many in the crowd needed physical healing, and all were soaking up the amazing authoritative teaching about life and faith. As well as being told that large crowds 'followed' Jesus, we're also told several times that Jesus 'saw' the crowds (Matt 5:1; 8:18; 9:36).

At the end of this season of healing and teaching we're told that *"When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd."* (9:36)

As Christ followers, let us 'see the crowds.' Let us consider the millions in Yemen in such great need of healing and hope. Many are listening to FEBC Christian radio partners. Let us consider the millions in China, Indonesia, Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam and Ukraine, to name a few. Let us notice these people and consider their plight. Most are living under Muslim, Buddhist or Communist leadership, and many testify to feeling helpless and pushed around by circumstances way beyond their control. Circumstances like political, religious, military and pandemic restrictions.

Let us see and pray:

- That more New Zealanders will have compassion on the crowds among the nations;
- That the millions of listeners we have will stay tuned, and invite their friends and family to 'join the listening crowds.'
- That many will be amazed at what they hear on the radio or App, and find hope in God;
- That God will hear our prayers and 'send out workers into his harvest field.' This would include our FEBC Audience Relations staff who visit and counsel listeners every day.

Thank you. Kia kaha. Take courage.

Matt

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