

FEBC Prayer Target – August, 2025

Unreached Prayer Focus: Shan

The Shan people, one of the largest ethnic groups in Myanmar, are also found in parts of Thailand and China. With a population of approximately 4.6 million, the Shan have a rich cultural heritage and speak a language related to Thai and Lao.

Agriculture is at the heart of Shan life. Families live in villages ranging from a handful, to several hundred households, typically located along rivers and roadways. Their main livelihood comes from farming, with rice being the staple crop.

In Myanmar, the Shan have long sought greater autonomy. They maintain their own ethnic armed forces, which have resisted the control of the Burmese military regime. For decades, this ongoing conflict has strained communities and caused deep divisions within families.

The vast majority of Shan people follow Buddhism, and only about 0.9% identify as Christian, making them one of the least-reached people groups. With limited access to Christian resources or outreach, many have yet to hear the message of hope and peace found in Christ.

Friday, August 1

Please pray for the 4.6 million **Shan** people living in Myanmar, Thailand, and China. May the truth of the Gospel penetrate the hearts of the unreached and raise up bold and faithful Shan evangelists and church leaders. Ask for each new believer to be strengthened and embraced within their communities.

Saturday, August 2

Pray for Alexandr and Nadia, broadcasters and evangelistic counselors with FEBC **Ukraine**. Ask for God to help them endure the conflict and have emotional strength as they serve others through housing refugees. May the Lord also keep their families safe.

Sunday, August 3

Praise God for the launch of two new ethnic broadcasts in **India.** We're told that there's a large listenership to these programs. Pray that it will reach the hearts of many. Also pray for staff and volunteers managing their helpline to meet the needs of people calling in for encouragement and support.

Pray for FEBC's radio programs in **Indonesia** which can be heard in several ethnic languages. A listener recently shared: "We're not able to attend church now, but we're very blessed by your programs. They have been a blessing to so many."

Tuesday, August 5

Please pray for the staff who operate our 13 stations in the **Philippines**, as well as our ethnic broadcasters who prepare programs in 22 languages. May they continue to reach many different people groups living in this island nation with the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, August 6

Pray for local churches in **Ukraine** to shine the light and love of Christ to all who are broken and seeking. May God provide protection as they find safe places to gather, and may He guide men and women who are rising up to lead during this time of crisis.

Thursday, August 7

Please pray for Ulanbek, the director of FEBC **Kyrgyzstan**, as he leads the team. Though the country was once very closed to Christianity, and is once again seeing more radicalization, people are coming to know the Lord despite all the risks. Please pray for Ulanbek as he travels, for his family, and for protection for the staff as they continue ministering to the people of Kyrgyzstan.

Friday, August 8

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.

Saturday, August 9

Pray for our teams in **Mongolia**, who are training to build deeper connections with one another and local believers. Pray that these efforts will also result in more listeners tuning in and coming to faith.

Sunday, August 10

Over 1.4 million Afghan refugees are now living in **Pakistan** due to the Taliban's seizure of Afghanistan. Pray that the Pakistani government will engage with them in a compassionate manner. Also pray that our team in Pakistan will reach these refugees with the Gospel.

Monday, August 11

A listener in **Russia** told an FEBC broadcaster: "Through your broadcasts, God healed my heart, and I changed! Now I have a great relationship with God, and I am moving forward in my life!" Praise God for His healing power and the gift of His Son, Jesus.

Tuesday, August 12

Please pray for new programs launched by our team in **Japan** last fall. Pray they will offer spiritual nourishment to our listeners. Also, pray for spiritual unity and care for our staff through prayer meetings and a retreat.

Wednesday, August 13

Please pray for people living in **Belarus**, a country that has struggled with political and economic crises. In this region, our programs are heard on social media, which is effective at reaching larger audiences. Pray that many will hear and accept the Good News and share their faith with family and friends.

Thursday, August 14

Turmoil continues in **Myanmar**, as a result of the military junta and the ongoing impact of the pandemic. Please pray for this country and its people. Also pray for the church there.

Friday, August 15

Pray for Christian pastors who are being arrested in **India**, as well as restrictions on Christian work. The government has determined that India is a Hindu state and citizens should adhere to that faith. Despite these difficulties, we praise God that new media platforms initiated by our team are working well and reaching many.

Saturday, August 16

Please pray for the people of **Vietnam**, especially the deaf population which numbers 1.3 million. Our team partners with the Vietnam Deaf Bible Society on video sign language translation of our broadcasts. Please pray for healthy collaboration and for the light of the Gospel to shine within this community.

Sunday, August 17

Pray today for Reverend Amos, the national director of our team in **Malawi**. May God continue to bless his efforts as he travels weekly throughout his country to visit Yao language listeners, distribute audio Bibles, and establish listener clubs.

Monday, August 18

A listener from **Thailand** shared this note: "I'm now feeling happy and willing to talk about my experience. When I first entered jail, I suffered the most. But then I met God here and I now have a lot of hope." Praise God for how He uses difficult circumstances to get our attention.

Tuesday, August 19

Please pray for listeners like Elena, from Ukraine, who recently called FEBC's local counseling

team after visiting a city that was under heavy fire with her daughter. "We were so scared," she said. "There were so many missiles exploding all around us. I can't believe I put my daughter in danger like that." Elena prayed with FEBC's team and decided to read the Bible for the first time. "Thank you for helping me." Please pray for Elena as she begins her journey to Christ.

Wednesday, August 20

Please pray for FEBC's work in **Cambodia**, where listeners can hear our programs through radio, Gospel Speaker Boxes, the internet, mobile apps, Facebook and YouTube. In this Buddhist-dominant country, pray that many will respond to God's grace and the gift of His Son, Jesus.

Thursday, August 21

Pray for our team in **Kazakhstan** who produce internet-based programming. Pray for creativity and inspiration, as well as good health, as they share Christ in a Muslim-dominant culture.

Friday, August 22

Pray for new ethnic language broadcasts being developed for people groups in northern **Thailand.** Pray that all details will fall into place as these new languages and broadcasts are being launched.

Saturday, August 23

Pray for people in **Kazakhstan** who are watching FEBC's video testimonies from Kazakh Christians. Most people watching them are Muslims and are upset that their countrymen are converting to Christianity. Pray for our program producers and for the courageous Kazakh Christians willing to share their newfound faith. Pray for their protection.

Sunday, August 24

In **Hong Kong** and **China**, FEBC has trained up many Bible study leaders and pastors through LiangYou Bible Institute, a rigorous online program that prepares participants to be Christian leaders. Despite ongoing challenges in China, pray that nothing will hamper this program from preparing leaders to be tomorrow's pastor.

Monday, August 25

Praise God for FEBC programs that are now broadcast in previously unreached **Moldova**, where we are heard on seven radio stations. Pray for listeners to hear God's Word and respond to His love.

Tuesday, August 26

Thank God for the powerful AM radio station on Daebu Island in **South Korea** that reaches all of North Korea. Pray that North Koreans will hear the Gospel and understand it is a gift from

God for all who believe, including them.

Wednesday, August 27

Pray for our team in **South Africa** who are in the process of launching a radio station in Niger, which is 99.3% Muslim. Several unreached people groups also live here.

Pray for details to fall into place to make this new station a reality and that it would reach many Nigeriens for Christ.

Thursday, August 28

Many ethnic groups in **Southeast Asia** speak a language other than the national language of their home country. FEBC has long offered ethnic language programs to reach people in their native tongue, and currently broadcasts in 107 ethnic languages. Pray that many will hear the Gospel and respond.

Friday, August 29

"Your prayers are helping me go on living...and take care of my daughter," shared a listener in **Russia** named Dmitry. "I can feel God giving me the strength to go on." Please pray for Dmitry and his daughter, and for our prayer evangelists, who are counseling many listeners each day through difficult situations.

Saturday, August 30

Because of your steadfast partnership, FEBC is able to grow indigenous leaders, use advancing technology, and share the Gospel boldly to reach the unreached. Pray for more people to discover the love of Jesus, like this listener in **Malawi** who shared: "We are very grateful to tell you that we have accepted Jesus in our lives through listening to FEBC!"

Sunday, August 31

Please pray for FEBC **Moldova's** children's program where kids learn Bible stories through video. Many children are reading the Bible with us, and some write in to share what they learned and ask more questions. Pray for the Lord to continue using these programs to introduce children to Jesus.

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