

PRAYER and PRAISE POINTERS

FBH International

August 2017

- 1 Tuesday** — We kick off this month by praying for our HopeStreamRadio audience. We're specifically asking God to bless them and increase their numbers. Perhaps, we can put feet on our prayers by telling our friends about this online ministry.
- 2 Wednesday** — El Salvador has lost many Christians as they have fled violence. Yet, a vibrant church remains. Pray that those with internet access might benefit from our Spanish podcasts which are designed to build them up in their faith.
- 3 Thursday** — In Eastern Ukraine believers have been helping our broadcast partners by giving radios and Bibles to displaced persons and military personnel. Both civilians and soldiers have accepted the Lord due to this work.
- 4 Friday** — Pray for the FBH International office team today. We need wisdom, patience, creativity and energy for the daily tasks which must be done to facilitate the overtly spiritual part of the ministry — reaching out to people who need Jesus.
- 5 Saturday** — Today we are praying for a man in Saudi Arabia who read through the entire New Testament during Ramadan. He has been in touch with follow-up workers and they confirm that he has a clear understanding of the gospel!
- 6 Sunday** — Victor heads Russian Ministries at Far East Broadcasting and is our liaison with the teams in both Russia and Ukraine. Pray for him as he travels a lot providing leadership and encouraging the front line workers.
- 7 Monday** — HopeStreamRadio has a core group of exceedingly faithful producers who get fresh content to us every week. Thank God with us for these servants as they encourage our listeners with their programs and features.
- 8 Tuesday** — Though Costa Rica is officially a Roman Catholic country, it does guarantee freedom of religion. Pray for the evangelical church there as it grows in numbers and spiritual depth. Our Spanish podcasts are available there to help.
- 9 Wednesday** — FEBC's new station in Odessa, Ukraine, is on the air. The city has a population of 1.3 million. Programmers believe that political reforms will not save Ukraine; only the message of hope and salvation through Christ.
- 10 Thursday** — While it is a joy to be working daily in a ministry like FBH International, it can be draining. Pray that staff and volunteers might have the wisdom, patience, and energy to do what needs to be done in a way that glorifies the Lord.
- 11 Friday** — To be effective, Arab World Media has workers in several countries and this is expensive. The financial needs of our partner ministries, concern FBH, too. Pray that the Lord will supply for the needs of our partners, as well as ours.
- 12 Saturday** — After a painful divorce, Dimitri found our Russian radio programs. He especially liked those featuring discussions about specific issues. Biblical principles turned his life around and he and his family now attend an evangelical church.
- 13 Sunday** — HopeStreamRadio's *Programs* page offers all of the content that our producers have created specifically for us. Take a moment and listen to some of their work and thank God for the wide range of skills and gifts that are evident.
- 14 Monday** — Praise God with us for the studio in Mexico City. Nathan has the latest equipment on which to produce our programs reaching Spanish speakers around the world via traditional radio, the internet, and mobile apps.
- 15 Tuesday** — Christian broadcasting infrastructure in Ukraine has grown rapidly in the last two years. Now that it is in place, pray that God would give wisdom to those charged with making this radio outreach known throughout the country.
- 16 Wednesday** — While technology makes ministry possible in ways it never has been before, it can present problems we never had before. Pray that the Lord will guide us in the decisions we make regarding hardware, software, and systems.

- 17 Thursday** — Follow-up workers have been in touch with a young Syrian refugee in Istanbul who comes from a strict Muslim family. He has many questions and shows progress in his understanding of who Jesus is and what He did for Him.
- 18 Friday** — "The devil can only steal. Temptations always promote happiness, but bring disappointments." This was an insight shared on a recent Russian radio program as the hosts explained the gospel to their audience of close to 3 million.
- 19 Saturday** — Most of us don't think to communicate with media outlets, even when we are blessed by their programming. This is something we are seeing with HopeStreamRadio. Pray that our listeners might get in touch.
- 20 Sunday** — Our outreach in Latin America has more than 100 radio stations carrying our Spanish programs. While we don't have to purchase this air time, costs associated with the production of the programs are covered by our donors.
- 21 Monday** — One area where Russian language FBH programs can be heard is Ukraine. The Eastern part of the country is culturally Russian so we use our Russian programs to reach them. There are lots of soldiers from both sides in this area.
- 22 Tuesday** — This month we turn our attention to finalizing the budget for the current fiscal year. This task requires both analysis of the past and discernment as we seek to follow where God is leading. Prayer in this regard is appreciated!
- 23 Wednesday** — Yemen remains in the grip of civil war with air strikes making for a particularly dangerous situation for civilians. Pray with us that the few believers in the country might be preserved in the midst of the conflict.
- 24 Thursday** — Our colleagues are concerned that the Russian government's banning of Jehovah's Witness activities may be the first step in shutting down all religious exercise other than Russian Orthodoxy. A new order is rising in the country.
- 25 Friday** — While internet radio is much cheaper to run than traditional AM or FM, it still takes financial resources to make it happen. Join us in asking God to provide the necessary funds to not just maintain HopeStreamRadio, but expand it.
- 26 Saturday** — We are expecting Nathan Diaz to be our speaker at this year's conference. Pray for him as he makes the necessary arrangements and prepares to inform and challenge us regarding the Spanish aspect of the work.
- 27 Sunday** — Ukraine continues to be one of the most challenging environments in which we share the gospel. Ongoing military activity in the East is a reminder of human attempts to find justice and peace that only God can bring.
- 28 Monday** — We continue to look to the Lord in the matter of personnel succession. We are asking Him for wisdom and discernment as we make the need known and converse with those who are expressing interest in joining us.
- 29 Tuesday** — Charles is an Arab World Media follow-up worker based in the south of England. Pray for him and his colleagues as they have front-line contact with Muslim seekers. Each week, he files a report for our encouragement.
- 30 Wednesday** — FEBC reports that many of their listeners in Moscow and St. Petersburg have shifted to online listening. We praise God for the technology and gifted staff who make it all work. Many more are tuning in on mobile devices.
- 31 Thursday** — HopeStreamRadio's website is slated for a major up-date and over-haul. Many decisions need to be made which will affect how it all works as we move into the future. Pray for Matt Williams who is doing much of the work for us.

A few notes:

AWM — Arab World Media — our ministry partner in the Arab World.

FEBC — Far East Broadcasting Company — our ministry partner in Ukraine and Russia.

Radio Teos — The Russian radio network based in Moscow where our programs are produced.

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