

FEBC EURASIA UPDATE

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FACTS & STATS

◆ Millions of Russians are hearing the Good News through FEBC broadcasts—cutting through layers of propaganda and deception.

◆ FEBC-Ukraine reached a record number of listeners in the past 12 months, as people search for hope in the midst of war.

◆ In Uzbekistan, a nation of 35 million, doors are beginning to open for the Gospel—and FEBC’s ministry is seeing remarkable results.

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REACHING THE UNREACHED

We Are Passionate About Those Who’ve Never Heard the Gospel

FEBC is known for its powerful impact in reaching the unreached.

Often, when we think of the “unreached,” we imagine small, isolated tribes—and yes, we do bring the Gospel to many of the most remote people groups around the world.

But being unreached isn’t only about geography. It’s about people who have little or no opportunity to hear the true Gospel of Christ. It might be a young student lost in the urban sprawl of Shanghai, or a widow in Mumbai struggling just to survive.

We regularly hear from listeners in Russia and Ukraine who tell us, **“I’ve never heard the Good News explained so simply and clearly before.”**

In Muslim regions of Russia, like

Chechnya, access is nearly impossible. And across Central Asia—*Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan*—millions live in deeply restrictive societies where Christian witness is forbidden.

One of our broadcasters, who uses special software to disguise her voice and appearance, was recently interrogated: **“We know who you are. Stop spreading your message,”** the authorities warned.

In another “Stan” country, a team member was just fined after being questioned by police.

We take every precaution to protect our team. But still, our broadcasters press on—driven by love for their people and a deep calling to share the hope of Christ, no matter the cost. Please keep them in your prayers.



Millions of Central Asian teens don't know Jesus.



INSPIRING PEOPLE TO FOLLOW JESUS CHRIST
IN UKRAINE, RUSSIA, MOLDOVA, KAZAKHSTAN, KYRGYZSTAN, UZBEKISTAN, TAJIKISTAN, TURKMENISTAN

REVEALING CHRIST TO THE MUSLIMS OF RUSSIA

Reaching Three Distinct Muslim Groups

FROM DESPAIR TO HOPE

After broadcasting a program on loneliness, Igor (right) received a call from **Beibars**, a 28-year-old immigrant from Azerbaijan.

He had come to Moscow to support his aging parents but found only rejection and humiliation. Loneliness and despair overwhelmed him.

"I started drinking. Some days, I thought about ending my life," he told Igor.

Then, Beibars discovered FEBC's programs. Hearing the hope in Jesus touched something deep inside him.

"This is what I've been longing for," he said. Igor encouraged him to read the Gospel and pray. Beibars began reading Mark and now regularly calls Igor with questions. They pray together, and something is changing in his heart.

*Please pray for **Beibars**—and for thousands like him.*

In Russia, more than 20 million Muslims call the country home, and their numbers are steadily increasing. This diverse community comprises three main groups:

- ◆ Devout Muslims, primarily residing in southern regions such as Chechnya.
- ◆ Cultural Muslims, who are largely found in central areas like Tatarstan.
- ◆ Immigrant communities, which include workers from nations such as Uzbekistan and Azerbaijan—three million in Moscow alone.

We are excited to share the Good News with all of these groups through engaging talk shows, diverse video formats, and meaningful follow-up efforts.



As a result, many are coming to know Christ.

We've observed remarkable progress among the immigrant communities, who often feel isolated, marginalized, and overlooked. Our message to them emphasizes that each person is valued by God, and that Jesus gave His life out of love for them.

We are committed to connecting these listeners with local churches where they can grow as new believers. Many churches have special ministries for Muslims.



Millions of Muslims living in Russia are in need of the Gospel. Many are being saved.

THE HANDSHAKE OF THE "UNKNOWN" SOLDIER

A life—and a transmitter—saved

One of the stations we operate in Eastern Ukraine is located in Pokrovsk, a city now caught in the midst of fierce battles. The front line is just three miles away.

I have friends and family still living there, enduring daily bombardments with little rest or peace.

FEBC was the last station still broadcasting in Pokrovsk. "I don't understand how your signal is still on the air," one official in Kyiv told me. "All the others have been taken out." And yet, by God's grace, our station continued to proclaim the message of hope—until a recent, devastating attack brought it to silence.

Days later, a soldier walked into one of our offices in another city, carrying a box. "I'm glad I found you," he said, and opened it to reveal a small transmitter.

"This is from your station in Pokrovsk. "I'm stationed there—and I became one of your listeners. FEBC was my lifeline, my source of hope as I lived through hell: losing friends, sleepless nights, questioning why I was still alive." Our staff stared in disbelief. "You went up the tower under fire... just to rescue this?"

"Through this transmitter I heard the Good News."

"To you, it may look like a piece of equipment," he said quietly. "But through this transmitter, I heard the Good News. Through it, I met Jesus—my Lord and Savior. I'm alive because of what I heard."

He smiled through tears. "I have to go," he said, shaking hands with our stunned team.



And just like that, he was gone. We never got his name. **But it's written where it matters most—in the Lamb's Book of Life.**

Friends, your prayers and your financial support are helping us share the Gospel with millions—not only in Ukraine, but across Eurasia. Thank you!

While many in the West are understandably growing weary of news from Ukraine, the need is only increasing. And **every gift you give becomes even more vital**—for us, for the Lord's work, and for those who are still hearing the Gospel for the first time.

One day, in eternity, countless hands will reach out in gratitude—including the hand of a once-unknown soldier.



God willing, this transmitter will be used again, soon, to bring the Gospel to multitudes.

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PROJECTS THAT CHANGE LIVES

BRING HOPE TO UKRAINIAN **WIDOWS**

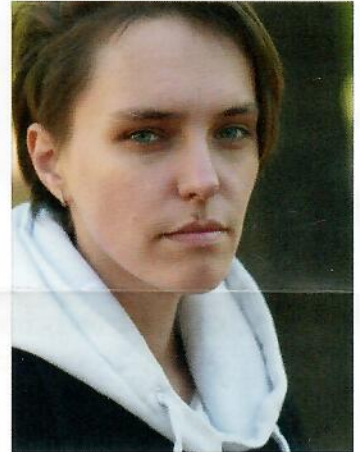
Across Ukraine, tens of thousands of women have lost their husbands to war. Many are young mothers, struggling to raise children alone while carrying the deep wounds of grief. It's estimated that over 240,000 widows are under the age of 40.

Through your support, we're reaching these women with the hope of Christ.

We produce special radio and media programs designed to speak directly to their needs—helping them process grief, support their children, and discover healing in Jesus. **These programs gently and personally introduce the Gospel in a way that meets them right where they are.**

In addition, we offer personal online counseling to hundreds of widows—providing prayer, comfort, and one-on-one conversations about faith. These sessions often become turning points, as women take their first steps toward Christ and are connected to local churches for ongoing support. We also host face-to-face meetings, together with churches and our partners.

To continue and expand this outreach in 2025, we need to raise an additional **\$17,500**.



REACH HEARTS IN **CENTRAL ASIA**



In three of the most spiritually closed countries in the world, the Gospel is quietly breaking through.

Hundreds of thousands in **Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and Turkmenistan** have already seen or heard our evangelistic messages—many for the very first time.

But there's still a long way to go. Out of nearly 50 million people in these nations, less than 0.2% know Christ.

The most effective way to reach Muslims in these regions is through short, compelling evangelistic videos, followed by one-on-one conversations.

We're seeing remarkable responses—especially when former Muslims share their stories of how Jesus changed their lives.

To continue and grow this outreach in 2025, we need **\$34,000**. This will allow us to create more powerful video content and deepen our follow-up efforts with those who are seeking truth.

This is pioneering work. We are seeing the first breakthroughs. **We need your help!**



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