



## Issue and Programs Report

for

**WJWT**

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RenewFM, through talking with pastors, community leaders and people with a strong concern for their community, have determined that the following issues are the current issues of highest concern in the area and this report has been created to show how we have addressed these issues.

### **1. Education**

RenewFM believe that a good Biblical education is the foundation of a rewarding and satisfying life (Jesus said that he came to give life and that abundantly!). Education is important because the more knowledgeable we are about God the better equipped we are to make life decisions that will benefit us (and other) in the long-term. We also believe that, in addition to studying God's word, it is important that our children are getting a good education in schools and that our undergraduate and graduate students are being taught unbiased truth in their learning institutions. So we encourage people to stand up for truth and fight for good teachers in educational systems.

### **2. The Economy & Employment**

Due to the current economic recession, families in northeast are experiencing a higher difficulty in being able to acquire a mortgage, find employment and afford health care. We at RenewFM try to provide programming that encourages our listeners to make wise financial decisions through good financial stewardship during these uncertain times and to put their trust in God knowing that he provides for our needs.

### **3. Family & Marriage**

RenewFM understands that no family situation is perfect. We desire to provide programming that addresses all types of issues for struggling families. But our solution to these issues is found in Biblical principles and spiritual wisdom not just in psychologists and self help books. We strongly promote a family first structure of living with a high value put on Biblical marriage.

### **4. Religious Freedom**

We at RenewFM are doing our best to educate people that religious and constitutional freedoms are often an issue in schools and there is a constant struggle to take God out of the schools. RenewFM brings programming that addresses the true heart issues of fear, religious freedom and security.

### **5. Public Safety**

Whether our listeners have to deal with icy roads, blazing fires or windy weather, we want them to be well equipped for anything that could come their way. So we provide programming to deal with some of the safety issues in hopes that it may just save a life one day. That's why it's important to us that listeners be aware of safety hazards within their homes, cars and workplaces.

The following are different types of programming used to address these broadcast issues:

**“Around the Town”**, is a locally produced program focusing on issues, informing the community and encouraging education that relate to the city and county of license (we receive no financial reimbursement).

**“Public Service Announcements”** are messages in the public interest disseminated by the media without charge, with the objective of raising awareness, changing public attitudes and behavior towards a social issue.

**“Community Calendar”** aired twice daily at different times to reach as many listeners as possible. (Community specific)

**“Regular Programming”** Programs from around the country produced by various teachers, Pastors and/or ministries.

### **Education:**

#### **“Around the Town”**

**Title:** The Stages of Drug Addiction

**Host:** Paula Bishop

**Guest:** Sergeant Glenn Fossa, Fitchburg Police Dept. Community Liaison

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**Title:** Agape International

**Host:** Paula Bishop

**Guest:** Elayne Brigham Director of US Operations in Hyannis, MA

**Aired:** May 30 & 31, June 6 & 7 @ 3pm 17 minutes

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#### **“Community Calendar”**

In accordance to our commitment to **Education** the Community Calendar airs announcements for current events taking place in northern Worcester County twice daily.

### ***“Regular Programming”***

**The Word Remains** with host George Small of Fitchburg, MA, and is a locally produced, 15 minute daily program expounding the Bible.

**Pastor’s Perspective** with host Don Stewart and visiting Pastors who take live calls addressing questions and comments from listeners. Program airs Monday through Friday 6:00-7:00 pm. One Friday a month is an East Coast version with Pastors from the East Coast using the same call-in format.

**World News Briefing** with hosts Pastor Don Stewart taking a look at current events in the Middle East and around the world. Program airs Fridays 6:00-7:00 pm.

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### **The Economy & Employment:**

#### ***“Regular Programming”***

**IRN USA News** updates every hour.

**SongTime** with host John Debrine of Hyannis, MA, a locally produced, 57 minute daily program, which airs 11:00-12:00 pm Saturdays. And a 27 minute program which airs Saturdays at 7:00am, which discuss various current events in America & around the world, and how the Bible applies to these events.

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### **Family & Marriage:**

#### ***“Around the Town”***

**Title:** Special Touch Ministries-Reaching the Disabled

**Host:** Paula Bishop

**Guest:** Jen Kippin serving in (S. NH), Kim Ferguson serving in (MA)

**Aired:** May 9 & 10 @ 3pm for 25 minutes

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#### ***“Regular Programming”***

**New Man,** a 5 minute weekday program at 5:00pm. This show focuses on a man’s role in society and the family, encouraging them to walk boldly with the Lord. They provide timely

resources and interview many who have committed their lives to supporting men.

**Proverbs 31 Ministries** twice daily at 11:00am & 2:00pm. Proverbs 31 Ministries is a 1 minute program focusing on marriage, family, parenting and motherhood issues. The purpose of the program is advice, instruction and encouragement to women in these varying roles.

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### **Religious Freedom:**

#### ***“Around the Town”***

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**Host:** Paula Bishop

**Guest:** Assoc. Pastor Jeffrey Watson

**Aired:** April 4 & 5, @ 3 pm for 24 minutes

**Topic:** Jeff spoke about their outreach ministry to the homeless in MA and how they are going out weekly into the streets sharing their time and personal testimonies and the Gospel of Jesus while sharing food and providing needs and the greatest of all LOVE.

**Title:** Reload Love

**Host:** Paula Bishop

**Guest:** President Lenya Heitig

**Aired:** April 11,12,18,19 @ 3pm for 20 minutes

**Topic:** A ministry which aids children caught in the crossfire of the terrorist group ISIS throughout the Middle East. They take used bullet casings and make them in jewelry to sell in order to provide safe shelter and basic living needs to thousands of child refugees. They help them to overcome the emotional trauma causes by living amongst disaster.

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**Title:** The Power of Forgiveness

**Host:** Paula Bishop

**Guest:** Robin Farnsworth, Cape Cod, MA

**Aired:** June 27 & 28 @ 3 pm, 21 minutes

**Topic:** A personal testimony of how God used a small town tragedy and the forgiveness and obedience of a grieving mother and transformed the lives of many in the community with his redemptive love and the power of the gospel.

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