



Issue and Programs Report

for

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Station Manager

Date

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 weekly at different times to reach as many listeners as possible.
(Community specific)

“Regular Programming” Programs from around the country produced by more than 25 Pastors, teachers and/or ministries. They unquestionably address our broadcast issues on a daily basis.

Education:

“Around the Town”

Title: Operation Christmas Child

Host: Quenton Chestang-Pittman

Guests: Elena Hagemaire

Aired: October 7th, 8th, 28th, & 29th for 17 minutes at 3pm

Topic: Elena spoke with the Renew FM listeners about her testimony as an orphan in the former Soviet Union and the impact that an Operation Christmas Child shoebox made on her life. Following this event, Elena was later adopted in the United States of America, where she would come to know Christ as her personal savior. Elena encouraged listeners to get involved with OCC by participating in a shoebox gift and or supporting others to do so.

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Title: Youth for Christ (Cape Cod)

Host: Quenton Chestang-Pittman

Guests: Emelio Gassibe - Director

Aired: November 25th, 26th, December 2nd, 3rd, 30th & 31st for 15 minutes at 3pm

Topic: Emelio spoke with our listeners about the work he is doing on the Cape with Youth for Christ, an organization that is dedicated reaching young people everywhere, working together with the local church and other like-minded partners to raise up lifelong followers of Jesus who lead by their godliness in lifestyle, devotion to prayer and the Word of God, passion for sharing the love of Christ and commitment to social involvement.

“Regular Programming”

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

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The Economy & Employment:

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Guests: Michael King – Director of community alliances

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Title: MFI Taxpayer Funded Abortion

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Aired: November 18th & 19th 12 minutes at 3pm

Topic: Andrew spoke with us about a bill requirement that state funds be used to pay for abortions. In 1981 the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court ruled that our state constitution guarantees the right to a taxpayer-funded abortion in Massachusetts. MFI claims this is an infringement upon religious freedom.

“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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Title: Renew FM

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Guests: George Small - General Manager of Renew FM

Aired: December 9th, 10th, 16th, & 17th at 3pm for 19 minutes

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