

European Christian Radio

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30 Years Faithfully Broadcasting the Good News!
2023 Year-end Newsletter

All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: "The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" which means, "God with us." Matt 1:22 - 23 NIV
Go tell it on the mountain over the hill and everywhere that Jesus Christ is born!

ANointed BY PRAYER 30 YEARS AGO.

DEAR FRIENDS AND PARTNERS,

We bring you Thanksgiving and Christmas greetings from ECR and our ministry partners in Estonia. We have so much to be thankful for even in the midst of world unrest. God has continued to use this ministry to bring people to Himself and to bring hope and encouragement to those in need of it. So much has been happening in our world these days that we need to push the pause button and reflect on God's Word to help bring perspective and hope in these uncertain times.

ECR and our Estonia broadcast partners are committed to fulfilling our mission that is found in Matthew 24:14. *"And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come."* Being faithful...to the end!

Mark 13:7 says; *"When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come."* We still have much work to be done while a window of opportunity remains open.

TFR (Tartu Family Radio) is continually upgrading their broadcast technology in order to reach more people in more places throughout Estonia and Eastern Europe with the living hope of the Gospel. As we mentioned in our last newsletter, Paavo has added the DAB+ system to reach more people. The new broadcast location will be in the capitol city of Tallin. This will be the first time that the residents of Tallin will be able to listen to our 24 hour Russian language station. (Semeinoje Radio is the Russian 24/7 program.) Paavo says there are a lot of Russian speaking people in Tallin, and now they will be able to have the gospel in their own mother tongue.

In addition to DAB+, Paavo is also bringing into service a new digital technology called, "Real Player Radio." This is similar to what we call iHeart radio here in the US. Real Player Radio streaming is quickly becoming very popular throughout all of Europe. This will greatly enhance and expand the broadcast reach of TFR. Praise the Lord!

ESTONIA UPDATE

The devastating affects of Russia's war against Ukraine has been felt all over Eastern Europe. Estonia has not escaped the fallout of the mass migration seen in Europe from Ukraine. As of July 8, 2023, Estonia had received 46,815 applications for temporary protection by Ukrainian citizens, which enables access to health-care, education, and the labor market.

Estonia has also received 5,190 asylum applications for international protection by Ukrainians, which are currently being processed. 30 migrants, largely from Somalia and Syria, have attempted to enter Estonia from Russia through the Narva crossing point in November. Migrants from Yemen, Somalia, Syria and Iraq have arrived in a sudden surge from Russia over the past weeks. Estonia's interior ministry said none of them had asked for asylum and all were turned back.

Estonia's Interior Minister, Lauri Laanemets, has said that preparations are in place to close border crossings if the migration pressure from Russia escalates, and if migrants try to enter outside official crossings. "Unfortunately, there are many signs that Russian border officials and possibly other agencies are involved."

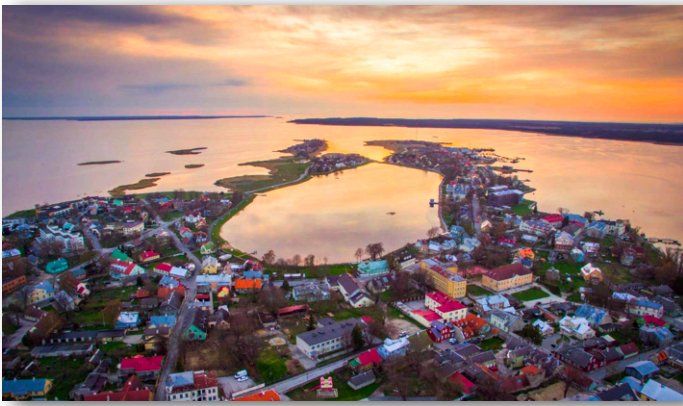
PRAYER PROCLAIMED FROM TFR RADIO

Lord, our God, You are the wisest, the most powerful and the most merciful!
We, Your sinful and unworthy servants, beg and beseech You: Hear our voice of prayer at this hour and put an end to the terrible war raging in Ukraine!

Look, Lord, from heaven and see the toil and pain of Your created beings, the tears in their eyes, the anguish of their souls and the death that is strong in this world. You know that sin and injustice have risen above our heads, but be merciful to us, for You are our hope and a strong wall.

Enlighten those who have unleashed this war, and give them reason to fulfill Your holy will, who You say: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God." Oh Merciful and Human-loving Lord, give the people of Ukraine steadfastness and hope and strength to resist this unjust invasion.

Send angels from Your Holy abode to all who are affected by this war, whether at home or on the refugee road, and give them patience, endurance and comfort. For You are our God, God of mercy and Savior, and to You, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, we give our glory now, forever and ever. Amen.



A VIEW OF THE BEAUTIFUL COASTAL TOWN OF HAAPSALU IN ESTONIA. BELOW IS A PICTURE OF MARE PIHLAK (RT) & GUEST, BROADCASTING FROM THE HAAPSALU STUDIO.

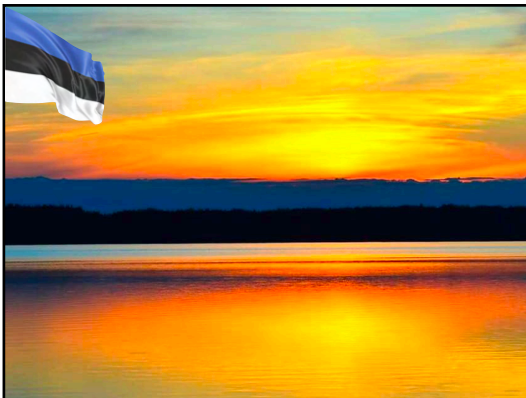
CALL-IN TESTIMONIES FROM LISTENERS

"I'm Villu, I'm 53 years old musician and I live in Southern part of Estonia. Pereraadio is always on my car radio and I'm thankful to all Pereraadio's staff and volunteers serving the Lord via music and radio ministry. I enjoy the broadcast that teaches about old testament and Israel."



"I'm pastor of a church in Kanepi, south of Tartu, Estonia and also work as hospice minister. Pereraadio brings hope and joy to many people who I serve. Your radio ministry is a blessings to many elderly or terminally ill, who have the opportunity to hear the encouraging word of God. Thank you for all you do Pereraadio!"

"Hello, my name is Elinike, I live and work at Lootuse Hope village, where people come in need of rehabilitation from alcohol and drug addiction. I have been listening Pereraadio since 1993 and this radio ministry has blessed my life and my family's life. The Gospel music and live service programming from church services are very helpful and have brought joy and hope especially during COVID 19."



CAN YOU SEE THE ESTONIAN FLAG COLORS IN THE HORIZON OF THIS PICTURE TAKEN IN ESTONIA?
-BLUE
-BLACK
-WHITE

Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support of European Christian Radio ministry! God has provided incredible miracles throughout the past 30 years - above and beyond what we thought was possible, and we believe God has more ahead for this ministry.

We wish you & your family a Merry Christmas and a Wonderful New Year

PRAYER REQUESTS



- **EASTERN EUROPE**
Pray for peace and reconciliation in Eastern Europe. Wisdom is needed for the leaders of these countries who find their sovereignty being challenged everyday. These countries are being pressed with mass migration from war torn countries.
- **FAMILY RADIO OUTREACH**
Please pray for the Tartu Family Radio network. Pray for God's anointing over their broadcasts and for direction in implementing the new broadcasting technology. Pray that all who hear the broadcasts, refugees, Russians and Estonians alike, will discover New Life in Jesus Christ and understand God's love for them and their families in these pressing times.
- **FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR NEW STAFF 2024**
Additional leadership for TFR is being considered for next year. Pray for additional financial support to provide for this position.
- **PRAISE!**
An answer to prayer is the DAB+ technology that will bring the the Good News of the Gospel in the Russian language throughout the capital city of Tallinn, and surrounding areas of Estonia.

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