

God's Special Time

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KAIROS SUMMER CONFERENCE

‘Kairos on the River’ – San Antonio, here we come

The Kairos Texas Conference Committee is gearing up for the 2010 Summer Conference in San Antonio, July 27-August 1. The beautiful campus of Trinity University has been selected as the conference site.

The schedule is as follows:

- **Tuesday:** Arrival, dinner and evening Fellowship and Music
- **Wednesday:** Board and IC Committee meetings, morning and afternoon, Dinner, Welcome and Prayer Service, Fellowship/Music
- **Thursday:** IC meeting, morning and early afternoon with the Board meeting following, Dinner, Memorial Service, Fellowship/Music
- **Friday:** Workshops, morning and afternoon, Banquet with keynote speaker Rev. Jim Capps, Fellowship/Music
- **Saturday:** Workshops, morning and early afternoon, Going-Away Dinner, Fellowship/Music

Breakfast, Morning Devotion and lunch are included Wednesday through Saturday. Breakfast and lunch is included on Sunday stays.

The Team is working on a tour schedule, but the details have not yet been confirmed. You will be able to sign up for the tours when registering at the conference. The Conference committee will provide transportation to and from the San Antonio Airport.

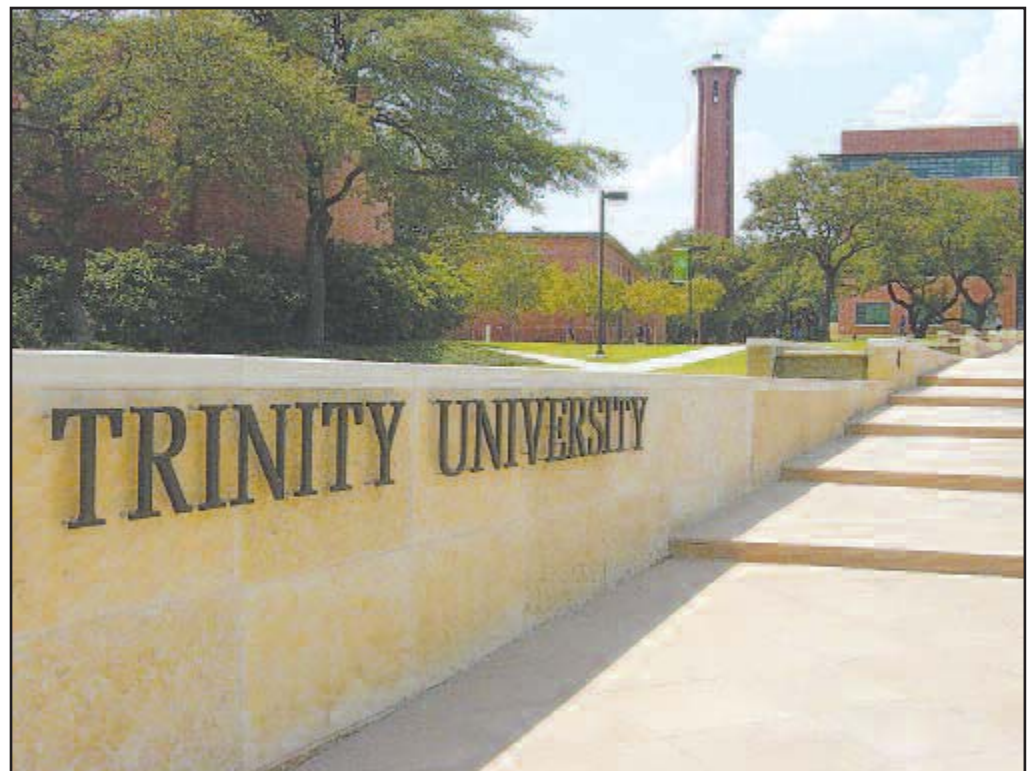
For more information, including a detailed listing of the Workshops with presenter bios, registration, maps, campus information and much more, please visit the 2010 Summer Conference web site at: www.kpmi2010conf.com

The registration form is included in this issue of the newsletter and can be found on the Kairos Prison Ministry International web site as well as the conference web site.

Committee Chair Chuck Roach, the rest of the committee – Susan Roach, Jerry Fredrick, John Kennell, Marvin Barnes, Kathy Whatley, Jaime Gonzalez, Louis Esquivel, Tommy and Carol Carter – and the countless other Texas Volunteers invite you to come to San Antonio to experience the Kairos Summer Conference that you'll never forget.



Chuck Roach, Conference Chair, pictured above, and the Kairos of Texas Conference Team Welcome Kairos Volunteers to San Antonio.



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Consider a Covenant Relationship

This past weekend (4/22-4/25) was my yearly visit to Nashville to participate as an ex-officio member of The Upper Room Walk to Emmaus advisory committee. These are great meetings with Emmaus representatives from around the world including the UK, Australia, South Africa, Jamaica and Zimbabwe.



John A. Thompson, Jr.

On the second day we participated in a Lectio Divina centered on Genesis 17: 1-8. In these verses God establishes a covenant relationship with Abram/Abraham. There is a confirming verse in Nehemiah (9:38) where the covenant agreement is put in writing.

What are the elements of a covenant agreement? The elements might include (1) a spiritual bond of faith, (2) an agreement; (3) it should be unconditional (we are all in: Mark 12: 29-31), (4) a commitment to work with each other not around each other, (5) servant-hood centered (what can I give to make the relationship(s) better - Luke 9:23), (6) submission/obedience to authority.

As an aside, the submission/obedience piece is difficult for most of us. As we think about this, is there a subtle difference between obedience (dutiful, compliant), submission (humble acquiescent, yielding), and obsequiousness (sycophantic – groveling)?

My sense is we are doing well, but perhaps in Kairos we should better understand how covenant relationships empower ministry. How do we build Teams that help us renew the body of Christ? Would we agree as a ministry proper Team formation takes 34-36 hours, Team members, including clergy, need to be present together, the meetings need to be spiritually focused and engaging; yes, but what else?

It's surely not about us, but it is up to us to be the hands and feet of Christ. We should want to be leaders that make Christ real for others. How do we evaluate our relationships with others against that standard?

I suggest that, as a ministry, we emulate The Walk to Emmaus by trying to reach another level of intimacy in Kairos. We do that by beginning to see our-

selves not just in relationship, but in a covenant relationship between ourselves and with God.

What would it look like if we worked together in covenant? That's something we should talk about at all levels of Kairos.

How would that change ACOP, SCOP, our compliance with our financial policies and practices? In 2010 we will pay \$150,000 for a full ministry audit. This cost is a reflection of the large number of communities which must have their own checkbook and control of "the" money. How might that change if we were in a covenant relationship with each other?

While the majority of our communities follow the Kairos program model, there are communities who do not – most of these because they have decided their Weekend program is better some how.

“ . . . we should better understand how covenant relationships empower ministry.”

I wonder how things would be different if those communities felt they were in a covenant relationship with the ministry IC, the board of directors, and the many program committees and sub-committees who have prayerfully considered the ministry program elements.

All too often we have not discovered the many gifts and abilities within our Kairos communities. How do we not know each other? How do we change that? In Kairos we understand ministry does not really exist without personal relationships.

We know that when these relationships do exist we see transformation. Our founders understood from Cursillo the secret of ministry is to make a friend; be a friend, and bring that friend to Christ – together we form a group – an accountability group – if we reach higher we can be in covenant with each other and God.

In Christ,

John

WELCOME TO BILL'S BARN

By Bill Rushing

Well, it's time again for us to take a little break, go to the barn, stable your pony, kick off your boots and sit around the stove to enjoy a hot cup of coffee. A lot of you around the country are finally finished with your cold spells and all the ice and snow that brings; and some of us figuratively speaking, are tired of the current cold economy. So with summer coming on, I bet that some hot coffee is just what you need.

COFFEE: That's really what I'd like to visit with you about. About a month ago, my wife, Cheryl, knowing how much coffee I drink, asked me to guess how much I spent on coffee per month. And I begin to count up: there's a gas/convenience store on the way to the office and I stop in nearly every morning and buy the \$1.50 special. And when I'm out flying to see all of you, I usually have an airport special. Well, as you can figure, it did not take very long to see that I was spending a lot more on my coffee than I had ever imagined. That's when Cheryl really got me: why don't you think about giving about half of that coffee money to Kairos? You know what? She had a point.

Well, it wasn't more than 3 nights later, about 2:30 in the morning, when I sat straight up in bed as a heavy thought crossed my mind that disturbed me for hours. I couldn't go back to sleep with all that stuff spinning around and around (and no, it wasn't the coffee that was keeping me awake). So now, I want to share what I truly believe was a divine message. I got pretty excited the more I pondered its potential and possibilities.

Most of us at one time or another, have contributed our church tithes or pledges to other organizations like the local Public Broadcast Service (PBS) through our bank's automatic draft services. What made doing it that way so special was that most of us got to a point that we never even missed the amount that we pledged because it

became so routine. It's like the saying goes: out of sight, out of mind.

Never mind the annual amount because it was so spread out that it seemed like...what you would spend in a month on...coffee! Maybe less!

I got more excited thinking about the implications that this type of plan could have for our Kairos volunteers. When I told Cheryl about the idea, she agreed that it had some possibility and she urged me to put some thought to it, get it organized, and then share it with all of you.

Here it is: first of all, it goes without saying that Kairos certainly appreciates the significant gifts we get from our volunteer donors whom God has blessed financially, and we pray that those volunteers will continue supporting us in that fashion along with their continued team membership. Please note that this alternate idea is an action plan that is focused at the majority of us who contribute in so many ways: through team service, prayers, and personal sacrifices that make Kairos truly "God's Special Time", but are not able to make significant financial donations. Just between us friends, in my travels across the country, some of you have told me that you would love to help Kairos financially. So this may appeal to those of you, like me, who have been frustrated by our inability to make a larger annual donation. We all want to be good stewards of God's gifts; and we know that. Maybe this can become a way to do just that, on a more even keel while being much more personally manageable on a monthly basis. I even have a name for this little endeavor: the Kairos Barn Coffee Fund.

Just take a look at your monthly expenditures for luxury items...coffee, etc. Can you commit to giving Kairos a portion of what you spend on your luxuries per month? Pray about it. We're going to make this really easy since I've attached an enrollment sheet for you to sign up. Notice that there are 4 levels at which you can participate. For privacy concerns,

I've included our fax number so you can send the sheet directly to Judy Bartlett. You still may contact her by U.S. mail. Please do not use the e-mail as you and your data may not be protected. Consider a monthly offering of whatever you feel led to give to continue to grow God's ministry. I encourage you to support Kairos through your giving, no matter how large or small. My last thought: when a large group of people each gives a small amount, it still totals a tremendous sum. Now your turn: Think about it.



As always, if you happen to be in the neighborhood of the office, come on in and share a cup with us; we'll always have a pot on the stove.

KAIROS FINANCIAL SUPPORT "The Kairos Barn Coffee Fund"

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- Option 3 \$50 (Fifty Dollars) per month:
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Allred, Texas volunteer shares and cares

Lois Welch, a 95-year-old senior of East Alton, Illinois has been helping prisoners at the Allred Unit in Wichita Falls, Texas for the past 6 years.

Welch's daughter, Carole, who lives in Texas, participates as a member of the Kairos Allred prison ministry at the maximum security facility in Wichita Falls.

Lois' husband of 63 years had passed away in 2002, and she felt that she

could be useful in some sort of ministry. Venhaus convinced her mother to participate in the Kairos Christian ministry. Welch applied for Team membership, but at 89, she worried that she wouldn't be accepted.

Lois says, "I live 720 miles from the prison, and I wanted to participate so badly."

But Welch was accepted and spent three days in Wichita Falls, Texas. There she became part of the Agape Team, whose job is to sort and read hundreds of handmade poster, placemats and letters from individuals and organizations from across the United States, Canada and Australia—just to mention a few. The committee made sure that the materials were appropriate and did not identify the crafters or writers. Welch said that one of the placemats was of a two-year old's handprint, which brought tears to the inmates' eyes.

As she said, "they couldn't believe that anyone who had never met them could care about them."

Lois has participated on the Agape Team since Kairos Allred #6 in 2004 until the present. On the fourth day of the Kairos Weekend, she and other members of the Support Team, are allowed to enter the Allred Unit. The prisoners are not aware that these "outside angels" are seated in the gymnasium to greet them at the "closing" activities.

She plans to continue to work with the Kairos ministry as long as her health permits.



East Texas report

APRIL 27, 2010

Dear Friends of Kairos:

Susan and I completed the 36th Kairos Weekend at the maximum-security Mark W. Michael Unit in East Texas April 22-25. It was a huge blessing as always with some men accepting Christ and others growing closer in their Christian faith. Here are some of the highlights:

A 65-year-old man at my table family (9 men per table including a table leader, myself, an assistant table leader, clergy, and six men in white - two blacks, two whites, and two Hispanics - with no two prisoners of the same race or ethnicity sitting next to one another), said the Kairos Weekend was the best time of his life. On Saturday, after lunch and a brief time in the chapel, (the mess hall, community room where we hear the 11 major talks of the Weekend, and the chapel are all in the same gym, with the three rooms partitioned by plastic tarp hanging from pvc pipe) the 42 participants were dismissed to the community room where the tables had been cleared except for their bagfuls of handwritten letters.

The 65-year-old man said he received more letters on Saturday than he had in his entire 24 years in prison. A 51-year-old man at my table said he had received more letters than he had in his entire 17 years in prison. Sergeant Morris, a veteran corrections officer said all 42 men cried when they were reading their letters. This is remarkable since the last thing a prisoner wants to do is have someone seeing him cry in prison. The 51-year-old man at my table said he had seven dads, all of which beat him with sticks and other devices. One of his dads raped his 13-year-old sister who became pregnant.

Most of the men who live in a maximum-security prison come from terrible homes where they have been abused or abandoned, which is a form of abuse in itself. Many of the men don't even know who their fathers are. Many of the parents they do have are on drugs. The 51-year-old man said he had not cried since he was a child because every time he cried he was

beaten even more.

The food was a big hit as always. One man remarked when he was served two platefuls of fried chicken that he had not tasted fried chicken in the 17 years he had been locked up. The hamburgers were amazing to the men as well. The burgers were thick and served with condiments, tomatoes, onions, pickles, and lettuce. The prisoners don't ever get lettuce, tomatoes or onions and pickles are only served about three times a year.

The banana pudding was huge, as was the chocolate cupcakes, pecan pie and apple turnover. The men never receive any of these items. The last time one man said he saw an apple turnover was 10 years ago when he spotted one in a picture. The pasta salad, complete with fresh broccoli, onions, lettuce, noodles, olives, etc., was very popular. We had enough food that the men generally were able to eat at least two full plates of everything with some men eating three hamburgers, and these were big hamburgers that the 12 person (10 women and two men) outside team grilled back at our home base, 8 miles from the unit. We had thousands of homemade cookies and dozens of loaves of breakfast breads and the men never came close to consuming all of them.

We received hundreds of posters from around the world encouraging the men, letting the men know that they are not alone and that they were being prayed for. Posters came in from Australia, England and Canada among other countries, and from dozens of prisons, Emmaus groups, Sunday school classes, etc. from around the nation. The prayer chain stunned many men. There were several hundred multi-colored links in the prayer chain, with the links stapled together like a Christmas tree decoration, with each link representing some individual, named on the link, who had committed to praying for 30 minutes throughout the entire 72-hour weekend - quite a commitment for the person that signed up for the 3:30 to 4:00 am slot. This chain was draped around and throughout the community room.

The music was awesome as ever with Pat

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CONFIDENTIALITY

By Mary Nelson, New Mexico

In Kairos, what does confidentiality mean? It must be central to what we are about; after all, the motto of Kairos is "Listen, listen, love, love."

We reassure the residents on Thursday evening in the Leader's opening remarks:

"You will be asked to enter into discussion with others after each talk of the Weekend. I want to assure you that strictest confidentiality will be observed. We will not reveal anything you have said that is personal to you and we expect you not reveal anything we say that is personal to us. **EVERYTHING SHARED ON THE WEEKEND MUST BE HELD IN STRICT CONFIDENCE.** In other words, HEAR IT HERE...SHARE IT HERE...LEAVE IT HERE. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT." (page IV-27)

And again on pages...IV-31, IV-129, IV-144 and V-16.

What we hear during discussions at the family table stays at the table. Nothing is discussed in the hallway, at the church or at the motel.

We have had an opportunity to share our stories with one another; we do not have permission to share someone else's story. For instance, some of us had an opportunity to share deeply with both team and residents while the table families were making their chapel visits. We assured one another in the 'kitchen' that what was said there would stay there.

To be vulnerable requires a great deal of trust. This is the primary reason our talks are given and reviewed by the 'inside' team. It is not that the opposite sex can't be trusted; we are simply more comfortable with the same sex and know we are understood at the most basic level. Our sharing is a gift to the residents causing us to be as vulnerable as we can be without fear.

Often the reason given for violating the promise we've made is done with the best of intentions. We tell ourselves and others that we are praying for the individual and the situation; this is prayer gossip. God does not need particulars. God knows what is needed in every situation and with every one.

Remember, the only story we can share is our own story and we do that when trust has been built over time.

In This Room...

By Yarva Harrison
Kairos Outside, East Louisiana

I recently had the pleasure of being a team member for a Kairos Outside weekend. Unlike ministering to those that are incarcerated, this Weekend is designed especially for women, whose loved ones are (or have been) incarcerated. Though they voluntarily come to Weekend with the same feelings as those inside, their walls are huge, their hearts are guarded and they're tense. Then Jesus shows up!

East Louisiana Kairos Outside #4 was an awesome experience. It took place at Judson Baptist Retreat Center, in the beautiful hills of East Feliciana Parish. The theme was Directions for Life (Isaiah 30:21). Betty Carter, our weekend Leader, chose the theme, logo and song. How cool was each!!! The song was "I'm Walking" by Angella Wynn. The logo was symbolic of our walk by faith and not by sight and the impact of each choice we make. Eighteen women, whose lives will never be the same, attended. As one guest stated, "I walked in here ready to hold on to my wall, but God has humbled me."

The Weekend had excellent food. Each meal was prepared with love, precision and accompanied by a live musical and comical presentation. The costumes were colorful and the singing...well you just should have been there. Even a world-renowned leader made an appearance. We learned that there were 'angels' in our midst -- women who rode (or fell off of) golf carts, making certain that agape was placed and did other heavenly chores.

On Sunday morning the "present" arrived! It was all wrapped up in metallic paper and colorful ribbons that really popped! Inside was one letter from each guests' incarcerated family member. Sadly, it was not a part of God's plan that each guest receive a letter. One guest had no communication with her family member in over 10 years and finally it happened. Words fail to describe the rush of emotions that flooded the spirit of each woman. My eyes fill

with tears with just the memory. God's perfect timing -- WOW!!!

Then there was the sand sculpture, the animal corner, the Flowers at Dawn, prayers for the incarcerated significant others, serenades at night and just the Love, Love, Love.

Yes, there are differences between Kairos Inside and Kairos Outside. Yet with all the differences, the two ministries remain the same. No matter where you serve in Kairos, you are a part of God's transforming, incomprehensible, mind-boggling, gotta tell somebody, LOVE!

The most important thing I learned is that Kairos Outside is such a tremendous gift, both to the women we serve AND to the residents Kairos serves inside. Kairos Outside offers the residents an opportunity to give the Kairos experience to the women in their lives! How many gifts can incarcerated individual provide to their loved ones? We offer tools to help improve the relationships of the residents and the women left on the outside. We offer the women hope. When a couple both experience Kairos the result can be phenomenal, indeed!! Kairos Outside is a vital ministry! I saw lives changed. I have been changed.

In this Room..... "I did find God's LOVE that was enough for me, that set me free...I found my Lord, God near, My Lord Jesus here." That is what I found "In This Room!"
TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY!

(Yarva Harrison is a seasoned Kairos Prison Ministry volunteer, both inside Angola and the Louisiana Correctional Institution for Women. She writes about her first experience as a Kairos Outside team member.)



Yarva Harrison

KAIROS TORCH GOES TO JAIL

David L. Moss Kairos Torch # 1, Tulsa, Oklahoma

By Matt and Janet Theis

On February 25-28, 2010 a team of 26 volunteers presented *Going to the County Jail* by taking the program into an area where Torch had not been before. The juveniles that are held at the jail are charged with serious and violent crimes that warrant them being held at this facility instead of a juvenile facility. They are currently going through the criminal process. Some of the young men may have been there for 2 weeks while others may have been there almost 2 years. Some have been convicted of their crimes and are waiting transfer to the Department of Corrections custody to serve lengthy sentences while others may be acquitted of the charges. The men are as young as 14 and as old as 18.

Anytime a program is started in a new facility, there are many hurdles to overcome. However, we had several advantages that made it easier to begin this program. Over half of our team consisted of experienced Torch volunteers formally from another facility in Tulsa. In addition, the Chaplain at the jail who had served as Clergy for a local Emmaus Community understood the Weekend and had a desire to make it happen for these young men. Together we worked as a team to identify potential obstacles and determine ways to overcome them.

As a team, we had many concerns before the weekend. In December we had completed training and were less than a week away from the Weekend when it was cancelled due to a violent brawl involving most of the young men we were to work with. When the lockdown of the Unit ended a month later we were able to schedule a new Weekend. We lost some team members but were also able to recruit additional members. In fact, God helped our team grow and be stronger.

Prior to the originally scheduled Weekend we were concerned about the potential violence given the crimes the young men were accused of. The brawl made this concern more real. We also wondered if the young men were ready for this type of program or if they were not yet at the point necessary to understand this message. All the boys in the

juvenile pod would participate; there was no application process or screening. The majority had not yet been convicted of their crimes. Our team was primarily Caucasian but the young men were all minorities. We were also concerned that another problem with the young men would occur causing our Weekend to be cancelled again.

Our Weekend began at 6:00 p.m. on February 25th. The volunteers were cautiously optimistic and the young men were receptive. The first evening went very well and all 14 young men participated. We sang, ate and got to know each other a little better. One of the requirements the facility placed on us was that at the beginning of the Weekend the young men needed to write what they expected from the Weekend. Below is what was written by one young man:

“I think I’m to learn more about the Lord this Weekend. I think God is sending these people to us so we can see Him through them. To me they are angels that God sent to us. There are no words I can use to show how much I appreciate the Lord for sending these angels to me. I pray that God keeps sending us angels that can show us the right things about life, and I pray that we keep learning more about You every day, Lord Father. I hope and pray that these angels You sent us, You will send back to us again one day. This is a big blessing, Lord Father. You are letting me know that You haven’t forgotten me. I think this is going to be the best Weekend ever. Amen.”

During the Weekend we sang, listened to the talks, completed the activities, had fun and most importantly, shared acts of Agape with the young men.



Janet and Matt Theis

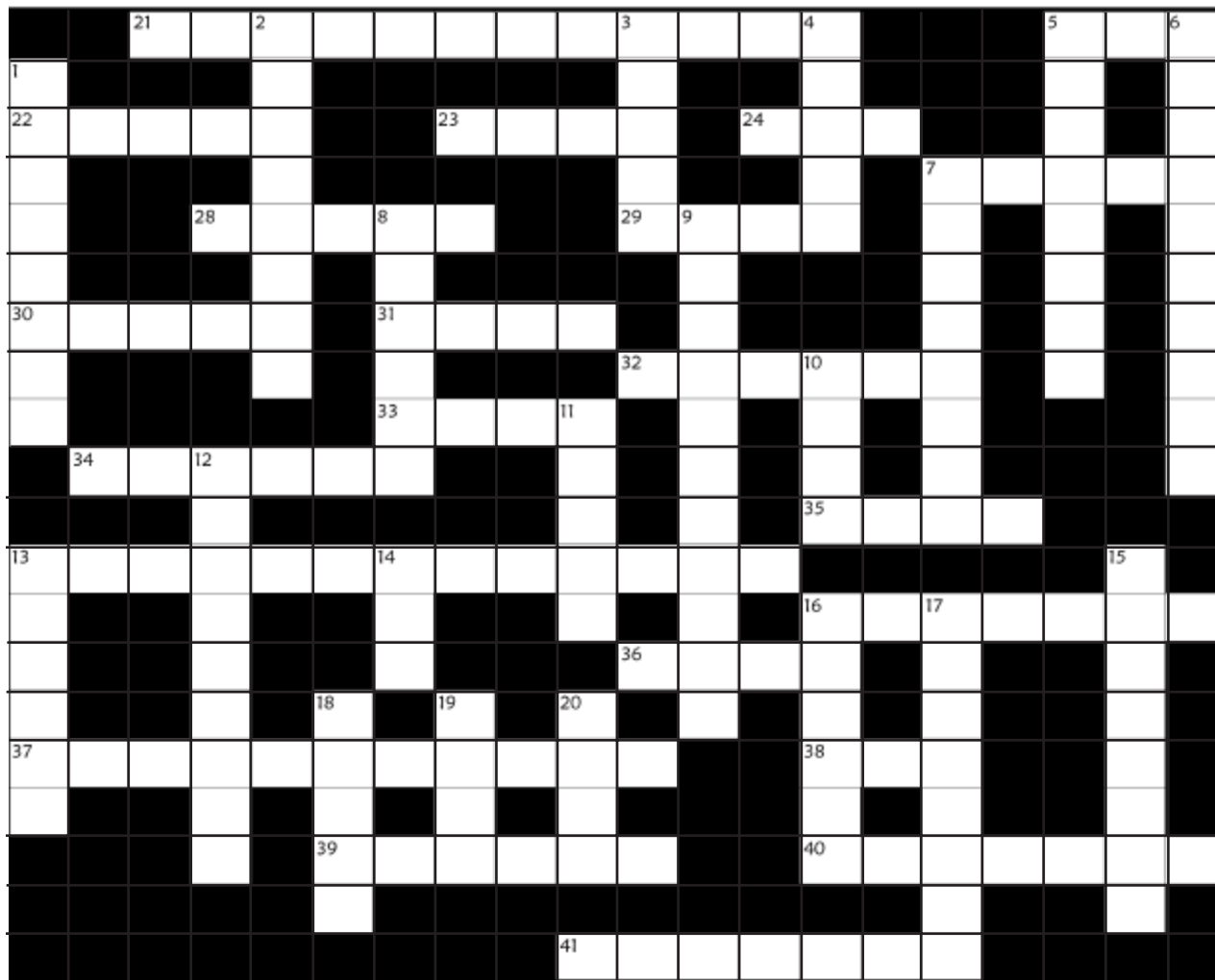
Everyone was moved. Team members and young men opened up and even shed tears together. All the concerns that we had prior to the Weekend were never visible. As evidence of this, on the first evening, I noticed two extra detention officers inside the Unit with us, but on the last day there were no additional detention officers with us, only those at their normal posts. The young men listened, participated and did exactly what was requested. Prior to the Weekend, the facility would not schedule mentoring or reunion times let alone talk about another Weekend with a second group of young men. We have now scheduled mentoring and reunion times and are discussing the timing of a second Weekend. All the young men who participated in the Weekend will be mentored while they are at the facility.

There were some problems that occurred that we will need to address prior to another Weekend. That is expected in a new facility. We have to learn the procedures specific to that facility and adjust our program to it. However, our serious concerns never materialized and this was the best Kairos Torch Weekend that I have been associated with as a volunteer. In our team discussion at the end we agreed that this was definitely God’s Special Time for a Weekend at this facility.

A KAIROS TORCH CROSSWORD

By Kevin E. Resnover, Sr.

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ACROSS

- 5 Turn Left
- 7 Slang for prison
- 13 The second team meeting emphasises _____
- 16 Personal Agape give to each participant
- 21 Youth on a Torch weeked are called _____
- 22 We are the _____ and feet of God.
- 23 Recite words intone
- 24 Weeping
- 28 The youth program for Kairos
- 29 When anger is not dealt with it can turn to _____
- 30 Unconditional Love
- 31 Uncomplicated
- 32 Kairos Torch Volunteers are encouraged to love and to _____
- 33 Take hold of
- 34 Those sitting together throughtout the week are called a "Table _____"
- 35 Mild Tempered
- 36 Kairos Torch is a ministry of _____
- 37 Short talks given by those wearing masks are called "Mask _____"
- 38 Muted
- 39 We Are our brothers _____
- 40 Coordinator of Men's Ministry
- 41 Coordinator of Women's Ministry

DOWN

- 1 Prison Pastor
- 2 Coordinator of Youth Ministry
- 3 The mask that depicts ones fury is the _____ mask
- 4 In Kairos Torch a leader is called to _____
- 5 The theme of 4th team meeting in Kairos youth program
- 6 City of the KMPI office (2 words)
- 7 An adolescent
- 8 Ministers serving on the youth Kairos Weekend
- 9 Theme of the 5th team meeting
- 10 Collective body of volunteers on a weekend
- 11 Gods Word
- 12 Most important component of the Kairos youth ministry
- 13 Dimensions
- 14 Skilled drawing
- 15 Unsuspecting
- 16 Called to guide the Kairos Torch Weekend
- 17 KPMI Executive Director
- 18 The first dynamic of the Kairos Torch Weekend
- 19 Kairos means "God's Special _____"
- 20 A team leader may only serve _____

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Garner leading the way accompanied by two residents.

But of all the agape, the most powerful are the letters, especially those from young children. The place mats, illustrated by young children as only children can do and expressing simple blunt messages of God's love for the brothers in white (the men wear all-white clothing), and decorating the tables for each of the five sit-down meals during the Weekend are also huge. Many men took care not to spill any food on their place mats and took them back to their houses each night.

The men are particularly moved by the letters from young children. In my view, nothing comes closer to the purity of God's love than that of a small child. A small child happily colors their place mats with no thought of getting anything in

return. The child has no agenda, no angle, no quid pro quo. The men yearn for the innocence of a small child, untarnished by prejudice and abuse. Many thanks to all of you who wrote letters. You have no idea how much these letters mean to the men, many of whom have not received correspondence in years if not decades. The letters can be the turning point of the Weekend and come on day three in the unit out of the 4-day Weekend. Many men begin hugging us after they receive their letters, really remarkable considering that men don't hug in prison.

Now for some observations from the brothers in white on what the Weekend meant to them.

"Thank God he called me out of the darkness. All the love in this room is evidence of God reaching out to me. God is at work in all of these volun-

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FROM THE INTERNATIONAL COORDINATOR

NEW START: On April 19-21, Wayne Park, liaison for Latin America, and Daniel García, International Coordinator, visited the Dominican Republic, accompanied by Kairos volunteer Adrián Gabaldón. They met with a local group from the El Buen Pastor Parish in Santo Domingo, which is interested in starting Kairos in the Dominican Republic. They also met with leadership of the Dominican Evangelical Church, the Episcopal Church, a Pentecostal group and a Baptist Church in an attempt to add ecumenicity to the organizational group. There was enthusiastic response from the Episcopal Church and Pentecostals and a commitment for consideration from the Baptist Church and the Dominican Evangelical Church. César Belén, a member of the El Buen Pastor Parish, is spearheading the group.

While in the Dominican Republic, Wayne, Daniel and Adrián were able to visit three prisons and meet the Corrections Secretary, Dr. Manuel de Jesús Pérez, do some training with the organizational group (which will be enlarged by ecumenical additions before it is formalized), and enjoy the wonderful hospitality of new friends. Wayne and Daniel anticipate returning in the summer (poor planning, temperature-wise, but let's pray it's God's special time!)

POTENTIAL START: On April 9-11, John Thompson, executive director, Wayne Park and Daniel García visited Ponce, Puerto Rico at the invitation of Alpha, USA and the Department of Corrections of Puerto Rico. John made presentations to corrections staff and prison ministry volunteers from across the island, and recently there has been an inquiry from two of the participants about the possibility of a start-up for Kairos in Puerto Rico. Daniel has been contacting church leadership of other denominations in an attempt to secure an ecumenical start-up team. This is very much in its infancy, so we can only anticipate. Let's be in prayer for these two places that God may indeed provide us with direction as we move forward.

– Daniel

BOOK REVIEW:

You.....The King and the Kingdom, by Ed Caputo

In the fourth chapter of the Gospel of Luke, Jesus reveals his central message, "I must preach the gospel of the kingdom of God ... for that is why I was sent." All four Gospels report his teaching on the kingdom. Matthew has 38 references, Luke 28, Mark 13, and John 3. Fifteen of the parables are about the kingdom. Matthew begins 12 parables with the phrase, "the kingdom of God is like." Jesus really wants us to know about this kingdom, "that is why he was sent."

You ... The King and the Kingdom, brings 58 lessons together in one place to teach not only what the kingdom of God is like, but also how it is established for you, in you, how you can be great in the kingdom, who will experience the kingdom, and who will not. The book reveals a single reality. The kingdom is the Father's utmost gift; it is at hand, available right now for anyone willing to seek it.

The book has a straightforward structure. It consists of 58 single-page lessons. Each lesson is designed to expound one truth about the kingdom, but also reveal five divergent themes.

First, the kingdom of God is highly personal, yet simultaneously universal. Although intensely private, the kingdom is for everyone. It is a one on one relationship with the living God, but it is also an emerging global society ordered by the life, death and resurrection of God's Son. The kingdom comes for us, but is also beyond us.

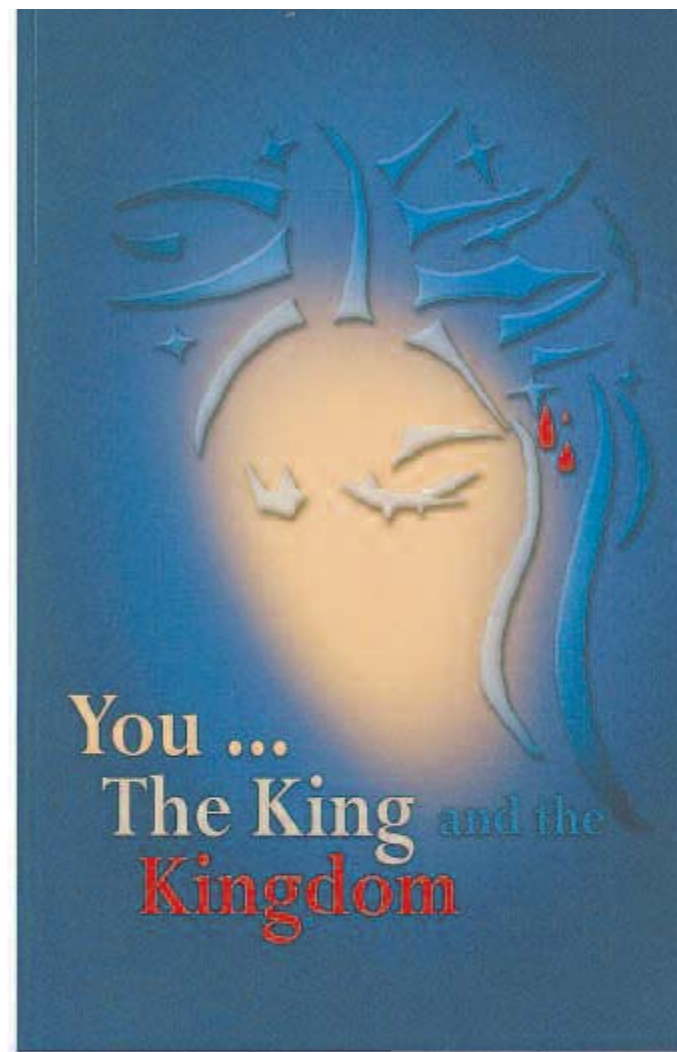
Second, the kingdom is intended for us, right now, right here on earth. It is an earthly reality, but also a heavenly society. The kingdom of God is within you, but it's also outside of you. It is both now and forever, the internal and the eternal, the immediate world and the world beyond.

Third, the kingdom is both free and costly. We receive it freely, but it cost us everything. It cost us everything, but it gives us everything.

Fourth, the kingdom requires complete surrender but gives total freedom.

Fifth, the kingdom is God's kingdom, but it is also our kingdom. Access comes from God, but requires human effort. It takes all of God and all of us.

Ed has served various fourth day communities for over 31 years, beginning with a Cursillo Weekend,



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Chuck Pollak ordained to Episcopal priesthood

Chuck Pollak, Vice Chair of Planning for the Kairos Board of Directors, was ordained to the priesthood in the Episcopal Church by the Right Reverend Mark Lawrence, Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina, on Sunday, May 16, 2010. Earlier Chuck had been commissioned as a Diocesan Evangelist in 2007 and ordained as a (Transitional) Deacon in October of 2009.

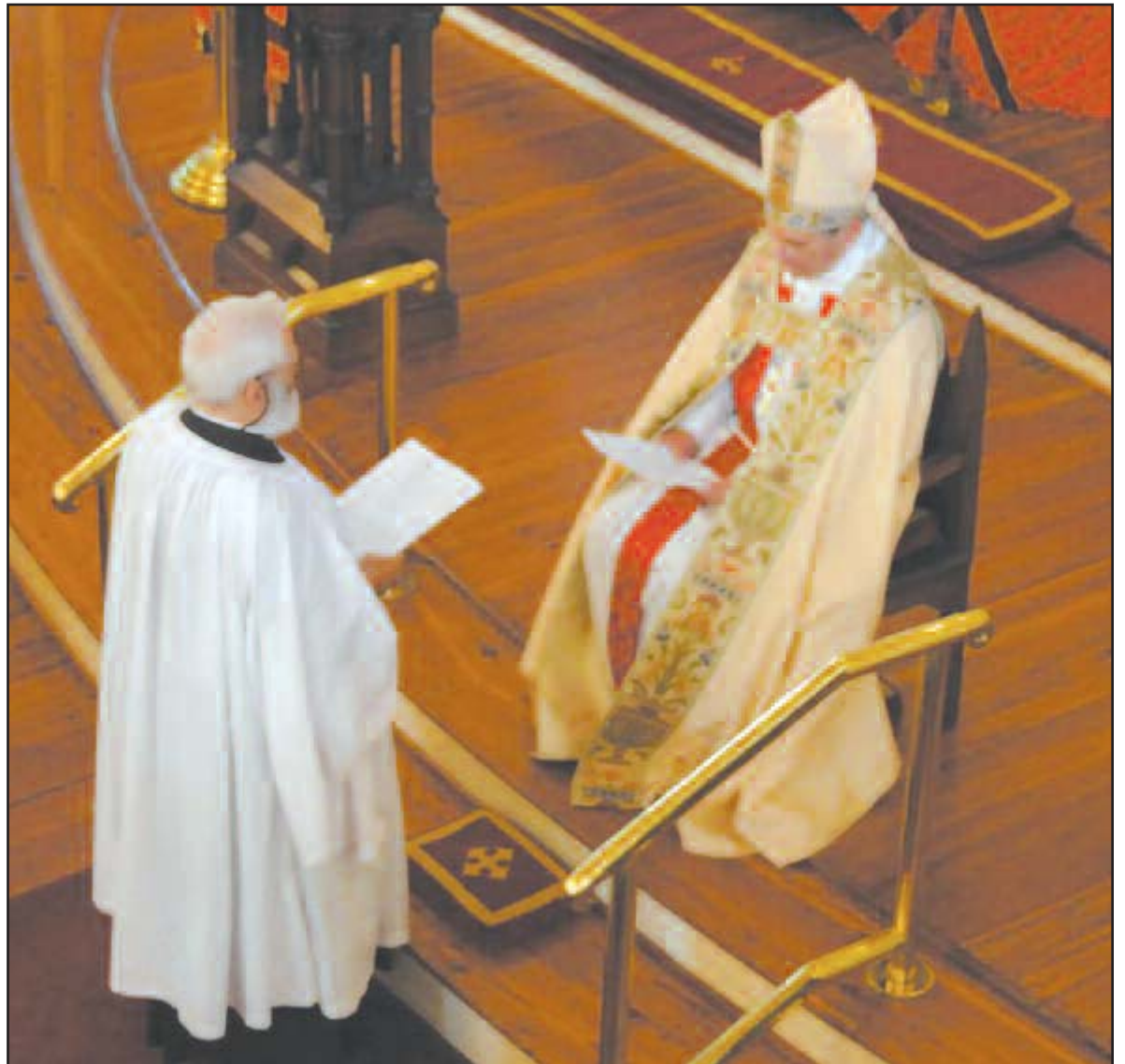
Chuck's path to the priesthood has been most unusual. He is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, in 1952, and spent more than 26 years as a Naval Officer, retiring as a Captain in 1979. While in the Navy he commanded the nuclear powered submarine USS Lafayette for four years, headed up the Office of Strategic Negotiations for the Joint Chiefs of Staff (SALT) under Presidents Nixon and Ford where he negotiated nuclear weapons with the delegation from the Soviet Union, and was a major Program Manager and featured on TV's "Sixty Minutes" program. He received a Master's Degree in Electrical Engineering in 1961. While in the Navy, he was three times awarded the Legion of Merit for outstanding performance of duty.

After retirement from

the Navy, Chuck worked for three public corporations, including Honeywell, as an executive in engineering and strategic planning. He then retired a second time and he and his wife, Annie, moved aboard their 51-foot sailboat, the "Reverie". They lived aboard "Reverie" for 14 years, 10 of which were outside the country, sailed over 36,000 miles, and visited dozens of countries in the Bahamas, Caribbean and South America. They moved back ashore in 2000 after which their lives took another turn. They attended Cursillo in 2001 and became Kairos volunteers very shortly thereafter. Both describe this period as the real beginning of their spiritual journey.

Chuck has served Kairos in three institutions in South Carolina, including Lieber, where he also was a part of their two Death Row Weekends, and was a team member for Nicaragua #1. He currently is a team member for Scotland #1 in North Carolina. He was a member of the South Carolina State Committee for two years and was elected to the Kairos Board of Directors in 2007. In 2008 he was elected as Board Secretary and elected to the new Board and as Vice Chair in Febru-

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Kairos Board member Chuck Pollak, upper left, at his ordination on Sunday, May 16, 2010.

Photos by Roy Flannagan.

Kairos Prison Ministry International, Inc.



John A. Thompson, Jr.
Executive Director

June 1, 2010

Kairos Volunteers
Kairos Prayer Partners
Kairos Donors
Kairos Cookie Makers

Re: Opportunities for Giving

Dear All:

Initially, as I was thinking about this letter, I thought here we go again asking for your gifts for Kairos. Will it ever stop? The blessing is that with God's continued favor the answer is no!

We have the continuing opportunity to share God's love and forgiveness with inmates, their families, and correction's professionals. It is overwhelming to consider the God of the universe is using the Kairos ministry to reach into prison cells. Our faith in God's word tells us He wants to change the heart of even the worst criminal. A changed heart results in another salvation decision and safer neighborhoods for our families.

We participate by being the hands and feet of Christ. By visiting prison and through Kairos Outside we enable the relational connections which build the body of Christ and transform lives. Through our monthly reunions, we encourage discipleship programs promoting Bible study, personal holiness and Christian action.

Your prayer and financial support is absolutely essential for our continued success.

Please prayerfully consider helping to build God's kingdom by your gift to Kairos.

In Christ,

John A. Thompson, Jr

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Phone: 407.629.4948 Fax: 407.629.2668
www.kairosprisonministry.org

CHRIST'S LOVE, THROUGH KAIROS, GUIDES US TO THE LIGHT

by Jo Chapman



At the Sunday morning prayer service a KO Guest shared: "I have spent years feeling guilt and shame about my family situation. After giving that to God at the Forgiveness Service, I looked in the mirror this morning and saw a woman who was lovable and worthy of God's Love."



Through sharing about the walls of their lives at their Table Family, a resident said "When I take the bricks from the walls in my life down, I can use those same bricks to form a path to a relationship with Christ."



A 17-year old Torch participant spoke at closing about how he realizes now that God put him in the facility not to punish him, even though he had done wrong things, but to change him. He said he realizes that it has taken God three years to deal with his anger and his frustrations and that he was very mad when he came to the facility. Now he sees that God and his mentor have taught him patience and a way to do his life without anger.



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and found it the most powerful ministry he had ever experienced. Over the past three decades he stayed with the process, serving different versions of the fourth day movement in nearly every capacity, both lay and clergy, serving Weekends in many states and both Europe and Latin America.

After serving the profession of education for 30 years I retired and became the founder for both Abundant Life Tres Dias and Illinois Credo Recovery which is a four-day Weekend experience for men and women who are addicted to substances.

Through God's direction and help, he established Emerging Faith Communities, Inc. a not-for-profit to raise funds to establish two new Tres Dias communities, one in San Jose, Costa Rica, the other in Guayaquil Ecuador.

This past October I was able to establish a new Credo Recovery Community in Long Island, New York.

Ed served on his first Kairos Weekend at Westview in Indiana. Since then I have been active at Stateville, Joliet, IL, where he served on the last two Weekends as a Spiritual Director. Recently he attended an AKT training and has become deeply impressed with Kairos Prison Ministry International.

For every book purchased from a Kairos supporter, Ed will donate \$5.00 to Kairos.

These testimonies are just a sampling of how Christ's love has touched the lives of thousands of incarcerated men, women and youth as well as their families and over 25,000 volunteers who labor with the KAIROS MINISTRIES each year. If your life has ever been touched in a dark moment by the love of Christ, you will understand how important bringing light to the darkness can be. Won't you please join us through your contribution in funding KAIROS INSIDE, KAIROS OUTSIDE and KAIROS TORCH throughout the world?

NO GIFT IS TOO SMALL AND ALL ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

Opinion Column: Reincarnating the Incarcerated

By Tom Barton
 Editorial page editor of
 The Savannah Morning News

Most people know right from wrong and live appropriately.

Others don't. More than a thousand in this category have numbers with their names at Coastal State Prison in Garden City.

Coastal is a close-security lockup that's located on an industrial side road off Ga. 21 and astride a railroad track. It's a stark and foreboding place - a complex of masonry blockhouses, surrounded by a tall fence looped with enough shiny silver razor wire to turn a human being into cole slaw.

From outside, you can only visualize what it's like for the 1,500-plus inmates inside.

One is Cedric D. Arrington. He's 50 years old, according to the inmate registry on the state Department of Corrections Web site. He's serving 18 years without parole for an armed robbery he committed two years ago in Houston County, just south of Macon.

Why a middle-aged man with only one other conviction (theft by receiving stolen property in 2002) would rob someone isn't spelled out. Clearly, he wasn't good at it.

However, Arrington wrote a two-page, heart-felt letter to this newspaper last week. In it, he expressed his gratitude to Savannah-area volunteers who spent four days with him and 35 other inmates last week in serious soul-searching as part of the Kairos Prison Ministry.

"This event laid the foundation for a transformation of the spirit by renewing the spirit of the mind," Arrington wrote. "These men sacrificed time away from their families this past weekend, so that a spiritual awakening could take place in our lives and that we could become part of God's spiritual family within ourselves."

Here's some good news about what some in society have deemed "bad" people.

Many men who wound up on the wrong side of the law want to turn their lives around. Kairos, an ecumenical Christian group that is active in Georgia and around the world, is committed to showing them the way.

"We all know people who have done wrong and blame someone else," said Kirk Duffy, a Savannah businessman and a deacon at St. Thomas Episcopal Church on the Isle of Hope, who has been active in Kairos for 10 years. "But by the time they land in prison, it's reality time. They have time to think about what got them there."

And, it is hoped, to change future behavior for the

good.

Kairos is an ancient Greek word. It means the right or opportune moment. It also has been adapted to mean "God's time" - something that many inmates have lacked, Duffy said, along with fathers who were absent or were poor role models.

"These guys carry huge backlogs of unforgiveness," Duffy said. "We tell them that when you forgive people, you're doing something for you. You're unburdening yourself and moving on with your life. Otherwise, this baggage keeps you from making the best of what you have. You're carrying bitterness and you're the real loser."

Duffy said Kairos is as much about breaking down personal walls and building new ones as it is about religion. Some inmates, he said, can quote the Bible up and down. "The trouble is, they don't know what it means to form Christian relationships. They lack skills needed to relate to people."

It's tough to measure the effectiveness of Kairos in cutting the prison recidivism rate. No one keeps statistics.

But Duffy believes inmates who have gone through the program are up to 50 percent less likely to commit crimes after they get out. If that's true, then Georgia, which has 47,000 inmates and the sixth largest prison system in the country, should take note.

Reincarnation is cheaper than incarceration. That's appropriate now, with state revenue reeling and Easter just two weeks away.

Inmates like Arrington, who saluted Kairos volunteers John Ross and Andy Quinney (former Garden City mayor), must pay their debts to society. But Arrington said he's indebted to strangers, including those from White Bluff Methodist Church who provided a BBQ lunch and children who wrote letters pledging to pray for inmates.

"We applaud these men and their families who worked behind the scenes providing love and support," Arrington wrote. "As the closing ceremonies concluded Sunday, I noticed a sincere act of love and compassion from total strangers who are praying for our redemption."

So did Duffy. "One man stood up and said, 'A judge gave me life. But Jesus Christ gave me a life.' That's reason to keep going."

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Top, Coastal State Prison, Garden City, Ga.

Above, former Garden City Mayor Andy Quinney

KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY INTERNATIONAL, INC. 2010 SUMMER CONFERENCE

Attendee Information:

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Name on Badge _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Spouse Information:

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Name on Badge _____

Telephone _____ Email _____



JULY 27~ AUGUST 1, 2010

**TRINITY UNIVERSITY
SAN ANTONIO, TX**

**All Rooms Are SINGLE ROOMS
(2 single rooms with connecting
bathroom.) This also applies to
married couples – 2 separate rooms
but share a connecting bathroom.**

Requested Roommate _____

Transportation San Antonio Airport ONLY	All of the following options include meals, lodging, conference and material		
Carrier _____	\$450	#1 Full Conference Pkg: Arrive Tuesday and depart Sunday	\$ _____
Flight # _____	\$400	#2 Full Conference Pkg: Arrive Tuesday and depart Saturday	\$ _____
Arrival Date _____	\$250	IC/Board Meetings Pkg: Arrive Tuesday and depart Thursday	\$ _____
Arrival Time _____	\$250	Workshops Pkg: Arrive Thursday and depart Saturday	\$ _____
Depart Date _____	\$80	Additional Stay PER Day 7/26 _____ 8/1 _____	\$ _____
Depart Time _____	\$30	Single Room Option PER Day (NO Roommate/Private Bathroom)	\$ _____
Please provide cell phone number for transportation needs _____	All of the following options include meals, conference and material fees: NO Lodging		
_____ I will be arriving in a private vehicle.	\$250	#1 Commuter Pkg: Arrive Tuesday and depart Saturday	\$ _____
	\$180	#2 Commuter Pkg: Arrive Thursday and depart Saturday	\$ _____
	\$35	Banquet (for those not registered)	\$ _____
	\$25	Late Fee for registrations received after July 1, 2010	\$ _____

Payment Information TOTAL \$ _____

Please charge to my Credit Card:

Master Card Visa Discover American Express

Credit Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Name on Card _____ Signature _____

Check of Money Order Enclosed. Please make payable to: Kairos Prison Ministry International, Inc.
Mail to: 6903 University Boulevard, Winter Park, FL 32792 or fax to: 407-629-2668
Please call 407-629-4948 for additional information or to register by phone.

Banquet Selection: Please choose one: Salmon Chicken

Special Needs: _____
(Such as handicap accessible room, vegetarian meals, etc.)

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teers (about 30 men on the free world team in the gym with another two men serving as runners, transporting food and other supplies to the unit). Even our families wouldn't do this."

"I'm now a better person and the hate in my heart is gone. The letters did it to me. If it wasn't for Kairos #36 I would not be here."

"God is really good. People yesterday back at my house said I looked different."

"I was not scheduled to be here this weekend but an opening came up. I had a run-in with a sergeant, but a captain came up to me and asked for my offender ID badge. He said the prison chaplain wanted to see me. He said you're in Kairos and to report to the #7 gym. I had not seen the chaplain since my wife passed away five years ago. I saw a lot of love in this gym when I first walked in. It was incredible. I've struggled for a long time but now I know God loves me."

"I've been struggling with my faith ever since I got locked up. To tell you the truth I signed up for Kairos just for the food, but I found there was much more to it. God is good."

"I learned you can have a family by being in the midst of God."

"It was overwhelming, a life-changing event. The love of God is here."

"It is a blessing to see the love pouring out from all of you. There is power in unity. My family is in this whole room. We are one body and that is the church."

"There is nothing but love here and Jesus is love. Therefore, Jesus is here with us."

"I've experienced some real things here this Weekend."

"We are so thankful and so blessed to be here."

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“I appreciate the love of all of those people that wrote the letters.”

“Christ took me out of bondage.”

“God is in our midst. I have found unity, courage, freedom.”

“To be a Christian means you have to be a thief and a drug user. The Kairos volunteers stole a lot of the stones that I had used in constructing a wall around my heart and they injected me with love.”

“Thank God for choosing me to be here. Kairos is a great, great experience. The love is amazing. I can't explain it.”

“Thank God for Kairos. For the first time in my life I have experienced the workmanship of God. I can see God's work in softening our hearts. Thank God for having His hands on each one of us. Thank God for His power to change lives.”

“God's love is so big. I have never experienced anything like this in my whole life. He loves us all.”

“The fellowship has been such a blessing.”

“Thank the Lord for bringing me here. I already have made changes. I got on my knees last night and this morning for the first time in my life.”

“Sergeant M. helped me escape prison this Weekend. I was not in prison these past four days.”

“I'm going to share with other inmates what has been shared with me this Weekend.”

If you want to see God at work attend a Kairos closing ceremony. The men answered the following

three questions:

1) In what spiritual condition did you arrive at Kairos?

- the lowest spiritual condition of my life.
- I had no spiritual condition at all.
- spiritual estrangement
- angry
- ashamed
- lost
- searching
- tired
- confused

2) What did you find here?

- a lot of love
- I found Jesus
- a lot of happiness and joy
- friendship
- learning and knowledge
- a lot of respect
- courage
- peace
- lots of tears
- faith
- power of God to change lives
- someone to lean on

3) What are you taking away from here?

- joy of finding my best friend, Jesus
- I have seen the light of Jesus Christ shining through the Kairos volunteers
- love in my heart
- a better understanding of Kairos
- newfound understanding of Jesus
- love and hope
- a new family
- a new self • open hearts and minds
- sound of music
- self respect
- a desire to be happy and renewed
- an experience I will never forget
- a better understanding of God's love
- a new life of hope

Thanks again for your support and interest in Kairos.

Yours in Christ,
— S.K.


Please Remember in Your Prayers

Alberto Miguel Menacho, 59, of Miami. Born in Havana, Cuba. Graduated from De La Salle School and the University of Miami, where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in International Business Administration and Master's Degree in Finance. Worked for ten years with General Electric Credit and retired from GEC as the youngest and first Hispanic Director of Finance to engage in private businesses. Please keep his wife Madelin and his children in your prayers.

Alberto was a devoted and dedicated member of the Dade Correctional Institution (FL) Kairos Community. He was a Team Member for several years, a faithful attendant of the monthly Reunions, and lead Weekend #44 last year. He was a tremendous source of strength, inspira-

tion and joy to all of us who had the privilege to know him and is sorely missed.

Daniel Conner Devlin, 16 of Richland Twp, PA, died on Thurs., May 13, 2010. Dan was a 10th grade student at Pine-Richland High School and was a member of the Pine-Richland Wrestling Team. He enjoyed the outdoors, particularly hunting, fishing and the beach. He is survived by his parents, brothers and sisters and numerous family members including his grandparents, Tom and Lorraine Taggart. Both Tom and Lorraine are active Kairos volunteers in Pennsylvania and Tom was a recent Weekend Leader at SCI Greene. Please keep Daniel and his entire family in your prayers.



In Loving Memory

Kairos Prison Ministry International

Often, people who have lost a loved one ask that a tribute gift be made to their favorite charity in lieu of flowers.

A memorial contribution to Kairos Prison Ministry pays thoughtful tribute to the memory of your loved one. Donations will support sharing Christ's love with the incarcerated.

A memorial Letter will be sent to the family of the bereaved, together with the name or names of the donors. The amount of the gift will not be disclosed. People making a donation will receive a letter from Kairos Prison for their tax-exempt contribution.

ADVANCED KAIROS TRAINING

Around the United States

Kairos Advanced Training

Advanced Kairos Training is for volunteers who are in or will be in a weekend leadership role, including Advisory Council or State Chapter positions, anywhere within the Kairos program. AKT gives the what, who and why of the Kairos ministry. Kairos policy requires that all Weekend Leaders must have attended an AKT prior to leading a Weekend.

Principle Statements Concerning AKT Expenses

1. All AKTs are essentially free to any and all attendees.
2. However, paying the expenses of an attendee for AKT should be borne by the sponsoring Advisory Council (or State Chapter Committee in certain hardship cases), just as it is done in meeting other Weekend expenses.
3. This means that all Advisory Councils should be budgeting, not only for the expense of conducting Weekends, but also for any AKT expenses deemed necessary for future Weekend Leaders or other attendees that the Advisory Council wants to attend.
4. If an attendee wishes to make a personal gift to help defray the costs of attending an AKT, he/she should make their donation directly to his/her sponsoring Advisory Council, and NOT to the State hosting the AKT.

The Advisory Council will make the payment to the hosting State, as in 2. above. Since an attendee's gift to the Advisory Council is a donation, it is subject to an affiliation fee due from the Advisory Council or State.

2010 AKT Schedule

June 25 – 27, 2010

COLUMBUS, OH

Kairos Torch

Location: St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 East Broad St., Columbus, OH 43213

Cost: \$195.00 for non-commuters and \$145 for commuters. Conference fee, room and board included in cost.

Contact: Dawn Gallen at 614-561-5539 or gallendawn@yahoo.com Applications on Kairos website, mail to Dawn Gallen, 659 Citation Drive, Pataskala, OH 43062

June 25 – 27, 2010

HUNTSVILLE, TX

Kairos Inside and Outside

Location: Criminal Justice Center of Sam Houston State University. Housing in Hotel operated by Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX

Cost: \$245.00 for single (limited number available). \$215.00 for double (each). \$155.00 for commuters. Fee includes two nights lodging (Friday and Saturday), all training materials and the following meals: Sandwiches Friday evening, Saturday breakfast, lunch and supper and Sunday breakfast.

Contact: Mike Stumbaugh, mstumbaugh@sbcglobal.net or 817-860-3500 (home) or 817-247-5403 (cell), 526 Westview Terrace, Arlington, TX 76013 for application and additional information.

Note: Attendees need to bring personal items only.

July 9 – 11, 2010

RALEIGH, NC

Kairos Inside

Location: Peace College – 15 East Peace Street, Raleigh, NC 27604

Cost: \$170.00 per person – double occupancy; \$200 per person – single occupancy; \$110.00 per person – commuters. There will be a \$15.00 late fee for reservations made after July 1. Includes lodging for 2 nights (linens and towels included), 4 meals – Saturday Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner and Sunday Breakfast (NO Friday evening meal included). All training supplies provided.

Contact: Ted Cashion: tedcashion@nc.rr.com, 919 859 1709 or **Bob**

Clinkscale: mmbros02@gmail.com or 252 426 7720.

Note: Attendees need to bring personal items.

July 23 - 25, 2010

BRADENTON, FL

Kairos Inside and Outside

Location: Dayspring Episcopal Retreat Center, operated by the Episcopal Diocese of South West Florida, Ellenton, FL

Cost: \$210 for Youth Cabin, \$260 for double. KO participants must stay in double rooms as that facility will also be the training location. \$80 for commuters. Fee includes two nights lodging (Friday and Saturday), all training materials and the following meals: Dinner Friday evening, Saturday breakfast, lunch and supper and Sunday breakfast. Box lunch on Sunday can be provided at extra cost.

Contact: Chuck Bradley, (HCKIairos@tampabay.rr.com)

KAIROS TRAINING

HCIKairos@tampabay.rr.com or 727-942-9592 (home) or 727-214-7087817 (cell), 4626 Tamworth Drive, Palm Harbor, FL 34685 for application and additional information.

Note: Attendees staying in the youth cabins need to bring bed linens.

August 6-8, 2010 NORCROSS, GA

Kairos Inside

Location: The Lodge at Simpsonwood, 4511 Jones Bridge Cr. Norcross, Ga.

Cost: \$250 for double, \$330 for single, \$205 for commuter. Please make checks payable to Kairos of Georgia. Fee includes 2 nights lodging, 6 meals and training materials.

Contact: Jan Thrower plainjan@yahoo.com or 352-473-7896 for additional information including mailing address and application.

Note: Participants need to bring only personal items.

August 20-22, 2010 KANSAS CITY, MO

Kairos Inside and Outside

Location: Stonecroft Ministries Retreat Facilities, 10121 Grandview Rd., Kansas City, MO 64137, ph. 800-525-8627; www.stonecroft.org The Kairos functions will take place in the Baugh Center and commons area.

Cost: Total cost is \$225.00 which includes 5 meals, rooms for two nights, all training supplies, and an arrival snack for Friday night. Please check in by 5:00 pm on Friday. Commuter rate is \$140.00. Send completed registration form to David Palmer, 11829 W. 1st. Ct. N., Wichita, Kansas 67212.

Contact: Linda Case, caseservices@att.net or 816-550-6093

Notes: Arrangements have been made to shuttle those flying in from the airport to Stonecroft and back again on Sunday. Just let Linda Case know your arrival and departure times along with your cell phone number so she can schedule pick-up times. Starting time for the AKTs is 7 pm on Friday, Aug. 20 and will conclude by noon on Sunday, Aug. 22

Aug. 27-29, 2010 ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA

Kairos Inside

Location: Church of the Cross, 5901 Millfair Road, Erie, PA 16415

Cost: \$130 which includes all training supplies, Friday night snack, Saturday breakfast/lunch/dinner, and Sunday breakfast. According to the announcement at the beginning of the AKT Notices, you should get your sponsoring Ad Council to send a check made out to "Kairos of Pennsylvania" to cover expenses.

Lodging: There are two separate sleeping areas at the church, but you will have to bring all personal items along with bedding materials. There are shower facilities in the church. For those who prefer motel/hotel, there are several close by.

Contact: Please send completed registration forms to: Dave and Marilyn Fialkowski at: 5901 Washington Avenue, Erie, PA 16509

Notes: Please bring your Blue Program Manual along with any musical instruments.

September 24 – 26, 2010 MIDLAND, TX

Kairos Inside

Location: Circle Six Ranch Baptist Camp – Stanton, TX.

Cost: \$185.00 per person. Transportation provided to and from Midland International Airport (MAF). Fee includes two nights lodging (Friday and Saturday), all training materials and the following meals: Light Supper on Friday night, Saturday breakfast, lunch and supper and Sunday breakfast. RV hookups available at reduced price. Arrive by 6:00 pm and training will start at 7:00 pm.

Contact: Mike Stumbaugh, mstumbaugh@sbcglobal.net or 817-860-3500 (home) or 817-247-5403 (cell), 526 Westview Terrace, Arlington, TX 76013 for application and additional information.

Note: Participants need to bring personal items including sheets (twin or queen) and towels.

October 1-3, 2010 PALM BEACH GARDENS, FL

Kairos Inside

Housing: Marriott Hotel 4000 RCA Blvd. PB Gardens

Training: St. Marks Church 3395 Burns Rd. PB Gardens

Cost: \$194 per person for double; \$285 for single; \$105 for commuters. Fee includes 5 meals and 2 nights lodging and training material. No lodging for commuters.

Contact: Jan Thrower at 352-473-7896 or plainjan@yahoo.com for additional information including application form and mailing address.

Notes: Applicants need to bring personal items only-no linens.

October 1-3, 2010 WOODWORTH, LA

Kairos Inside and Outside

Location: The Wesley Center, Woodworth, 2350 Methodist Parkway, Woodworth, LA 71485

Cost: Double Occupancy, including meals \$204; Single Occupancy, including meals \$236. Registration Deadline: September 20, 2010. Contact: Linda Gregg, lgregg7@cox.net, lindagregg@la-umc.org 225-276-1042

Notes: Nearest recommended airport: Alexandria International Airport, Alexandria, LA. There are also airports in Baton Rouge, New Orleans and Shreveport; however, you will need to secure a rental vehicle if you choose any one of the three. Travel time is as follows: Shreveport-2.5 hours, Baton Rouge-2.5 hours, New Orleans-3.5 hours. All bedding and towels are provided. Please bring personal items with you, including your current Kairos/Kairos Outside Manual. Check in between 3:00-5:30 PM on Friday. Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM followed by the first training session. If you desire Airport transportation, you *must* notify AKT contact Linda Gregg within 3 weeks of the AKT. Please plan your travel time to arrive promptly and depart when the training is concluded. Participants must be present for all 15 hours of AKT to be certified for weekend leadership.

How to register: Download universal AKT Registration from KPMI website, complete the form, and mail to: ELAKO, Attention: Linda Gregg, P.O. Box 1905, Prairieville, LA 70769

October 22-24, 2010

GREENSBORO, NC

Kairos Torch

Location: Jamestown Presbyterian Church, 1804 Guilford College Road, Jamestown, NC 27282

Cost: \$75.00 Includes snack Friday evening, lunch and dinner on Saturday

Lodging: Recommended hotels (all on Big Tree Way): Hilton Garden Inn, Holiday Inn Express, Fairfield Marriott or Microtel Inn. Torch will provide transportation from these hotels to the church. There are shuttles from the airport to the Hilton, Holiday Inn and Marriott. Will try for group rates for hotels at a later date.

Contact: David Farmer 336-834-3225 kotakids@att.net Send applications to: David Farmer, 3805 Waldenbrook Road, Greensboro, NC 27407.

October 22-24, 2010

MYRTLE BEACH, SC

Kairos Inside and Outside

Location: Springmaid Beach Resort, 3200 South Ocean Blvd, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 (just a short taxi ride from the airport—about 5 minutes).

Cost: Double Occupancy \$235; single occupancy \$315. Includes room for two nights, snacks Friday night, three meals Saturday, breakfast and lunch Sunday and course materials. Mail completed registration form to: P.O. Box 6211, Columbia, SC 29260.

Contact: Mackie Manning at wellsu1@gmail.com; P.O. Box 2828, Cashiers, NC 28717; 828-743-0430.

Note: Bring personal items only.

November 19 – 21, 2010

GRANBURY, TX

Kairos Inside

Location: Camp Crucis, 2875 Camp Crucis Ct., Granbury, TX 76048. Arrive by 6:00pm and start at 7:00 pm.

Cost: \$215.00 per person. Commuter \$155.00. Price includes all training materials, 2 nights lodging (Friday and Saturday), Sandwiches Friday evening; Saturday breakfast, lunch and supper and Sunday breakfast.

Contact: Mike Stumbaugh, mstumbaugh@sbcglobal.net or 817-860-3500 (home) or 817-247-5403 (cell), 526 Westview Terrace, Arlington, TX 76013 for application and additional information.

Note: Attendees need to bring personal items only.



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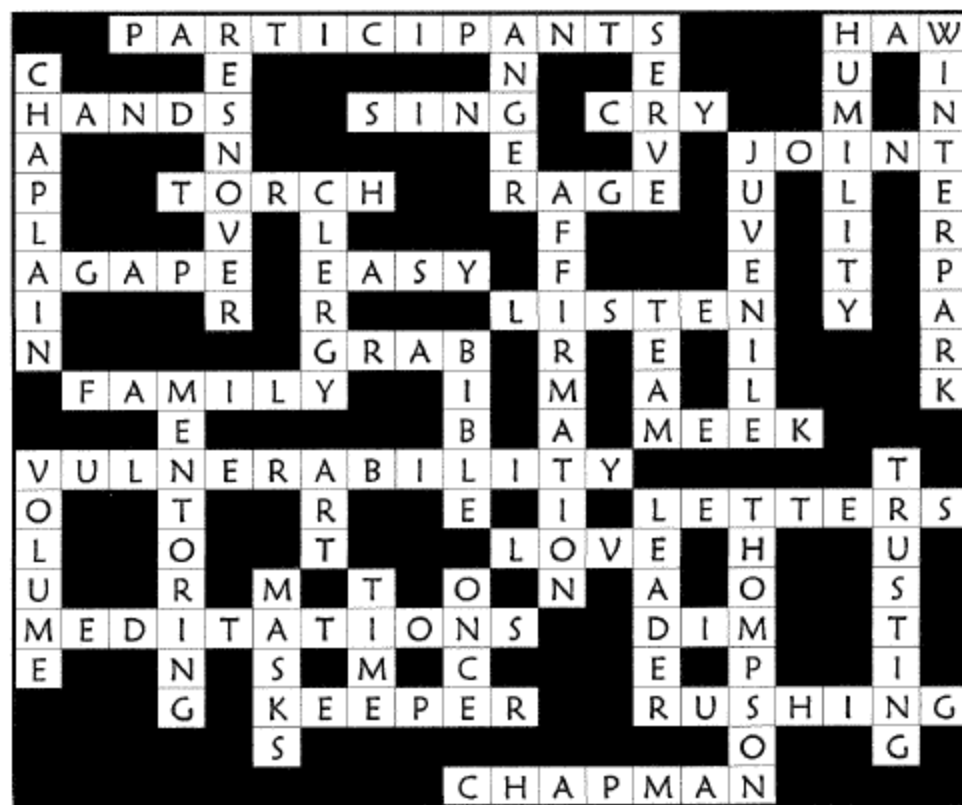
ary of this year.

Chuck first felt a calling to the ordained ministry five years ago. After going through the very rigorous and intense discernment process, he was approved to become a Vocational (Permanent) Deacon in 2007. Then two years ago, the Bishop and the Commission on Ministry decided that Chuck was being called to the priesthood rather than the permanent deaconate. His studies were then redirected. Because of his age and the extensive ministry Chuck already had in place, it was decided that he would "read for Holy Orders" instead of going to a seminary; this is extremely unusual and only two priests (out of 140) in the Diocese of South Carolina have been allowed to follow this path. He studied at home under 5 priests and a Ph.D. theologian

and was required to pass the same written and oral exams as those graduating from seminary. The written exams took 21 hours over three days and the orals half a day. Chuck said that they were "grueling."

In addition to his Kairos prison ministry work, Chuck became the Assistant Chaplain at the Ridgeland Correctional Institution in 2007, a medium security men's prison with 1300 inmates. With his new status as a priest, Chuck will be able to take Communion into the other prisons in South Carolina as well as at Ridgeland C. I.

But perhaps the most unusual aspect of this story is that Chuck will be 80 years old in October. In fact, he may be the oldest person ever ordained as an Anglican or Episcopal priest in South Carolina. Nevertheless, he insists that he is just getting started!



KAIROS MEN'S WEEKENDS

<u>Date</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Wknd #</u>	<u>Leader</u>
6/17/10	FL	South Bay Correctional	20	Tom Thornton
7/1/10	TX	Ferguson	49	Walt Canady
7/5/10	Nic	LaModelo	6	Brother Julio Perez
7/22/10	TX	Rudd	7	Neal Bearden
7/22/10	TX	Segovia	5	Dennis Neal
7/29/10	FL	Wakulla	17	Chuck Harrell
8/4/10	NC	Central	32	Jack Bigler
8/5/10	CO	Rifle	11	Lloyd Strobeck
8/5/10	TX	Wallace	23	Willie Embrey
8/12/10	IN	New Castle CF	3	Tony McDonald
8/12/10	MS	Parchman Unit 32	27	Chris Clark
8/12/10	OH	Ross Correctional	21	Bob Franz
8/12/10	TX	Hutchinson CF	10	Mike Terrell
8/19/10	IN	Pendleton CF	8	Joe Loudonback
8/26/10	AL	Hamilton Aged & Infirmid	6	Howard Jagers
9/2/10	So Afr	Malmesbury	9	Willie Ferguson
9/3/10	TX	Walls	14	Timothy Nichols
9/9/10	FL	Martin CI	33	Mike Rogers
9/9/10	TX	Jordan	28	Steve Busch
9/16/10	GA	Augusta Medical SP	47	Edward Washington
9/16/10	GA	Walker SP	3	Mike Pritchard
9/16/10	OH	North Central CI	5	Jim Caldwell
9/16/10	TX	Montford	24	Jim Gordon
9/21/10	Aus	Junee	23	Bruce Budd
9/22/10	FL	Okeechobee (Spanish)	44	Nene Babilonia
9/23/10	FL	Polk CI	30	Lee Martin
9/23/10	IL	Menard SP	1	Douglas Janz
9/23/10	NY	Gouverneur	3	Bruce Woodruff
9/23/10	PA	Lake Erie CI	19	Marc Wheeler
9/23/10	TX	Clements	34	Jack Fong
9/23/10	TX	Roach	22	Nathan Hobbs
9/23/10	TX	Smith	27	Alan Dickey
9/26/10	CA	California Institution for Men	5	Dominic Portesi
9/27/10	Aus	Grafton		Bob Small
9/27/10	Aus	Mobilong	12	
9/30/10	AL	Limestone CF	50	Scott Hagood
9/30/10	NC	Pender	20	Bob Remillard
9/30/10	So Afr	Modderbee	21	James Mngadi
9/30/10	So Afr	PMB	9	Kurt Wittig
9/30/10	So Afr	Westville	1	
9/30/10	TX	Allred	19	Wade Tidmore
9/30/10	TX	Polunsky	25	Tom Sayre
9/30/10	WA	Clallam Bay CC	10	Barry Smith
10/7/10	CA	FCI Victorville	16	John Miller
10/7/10	CO	Delta CC	38	Dick Bussing
10/7/10	CO	Territorial	50	John Parker
10/7/10	FL	Dade CI	45	Rafael Vigil
10/7/10	GA	Central State Prison	5	Jim Watts
10/7/10	IN	Plainfield CF	7	Ray Land
10/7/10	MO	Missouri Potosi CC	1	Warren Westrup
10/7/10	TN	SE Tenn State Regional CF	4	Jason Graham
10/7/10	TX	Daniel	14	Gary Scherf
10/7/10	TX	FCI Big Spring	12	
10/7/10	TX	Hightower	5	Stuart Leonhart
10/7/10	TX	Torres	23	Jim Lodovic
10/7/10	WA	Special Commitment Ctr	2	James Sipe
10/8/10	CA	CSP Sacramento	8	Warren Schwegel
10/8/10	CA	San Quentin	36	Marcus Jackl
10/8/10	CT	Osborn CI	9	Richard Pangretic
10/8/10	PA	Allenwood USP	16	Jim Chamberlain
10/8/10	TX	Vance	42	Mark Lowry
10/11/10	Aus	Tamworth	6	David Langford
10/14/10	FL	Glades Correctional	51	Mark Castiglione
10/14/10	FL	Hardee Main Unit	21	Chip Kohler
10/14/10	FL	Sumter CI	14	Jim Furtado
10/14/10	IN	Indiana SP	8	
10/14/10	OK	Cimarron CF	13	Frank Denney
10/14/10	TX	Hughes	27	John Oliphant
10/14/10	TX	Michael	37	Bruce King
10/14/10	TX	Robertson	31	Don Kiles
10/14/10	WA	WSR-Monroe	48	Pat Carroll
10/16/10	MS	Yazoo City FCC	6	Julian Crawford
10/18/10	Aus	Mid North Coast	7	
10/21/10	AL	Donaldson CF	52	Bob Henger
10/21/10	AL	Fountain CC	51	David Smith
10/21/10	AL	Staton	27	Chuck Moore
10/21/10	CA	R. J. Donovan Yard 1	83	Mar Vale
10/21/10	CA	R. J. Donovan Yard 3	84	Aaron Baker
10/21/10	IN	Wabash Valley CF	5	Phil Stiver
10/21/10	So Afr	Rustenburb	7	Walter Vermaak
10/21/10	TX	Briscoe	6	Bill Havard
10/21/10	TX	Coffield	30	Alan Tucker
10/21/10	TX	Darrington	46	Hank Jamieson
10/21/10	TX	Stiles	26	Phil Hilliard
10/25/10	Aus	Bathurst	19	
10/27/10	MS	SMCI	10	Dennis Garrard
10/28/10	AL	St. Clair CF	52	Nelson McClure
10/28/10	FL	Madison CI	26	Ken Klos
10/28/10	FL	Zephyrhills CI	59	Joe Romero
10/28/10	ID	Idaho SCI	11	Al Barba
10/28/10	LA	Winn Correctional	33	Glenn McCalman
10/28/10	MS	CMCF	23	Mike Lewis
10/28/10	MS	Parchman Unit 29	28	Robert Rhett
10/28/10	TX	Boyd	16	John McClelland
10/28/10	TX	Lynaugh	24	Hoxie Smith
11/4/10	CA	Centinela	8	Jerry Emery
11/4/10	CA	FCI Terminal Island	37	Jan Stolzenburg
11/1/10	CO	Sterling West	27	Rob Bradley
11/4/10	FL	Okeechobee CI English	45	Wayne Portch
11/4/10	IN	Branchville	9	
11/4/10	IN	Pendleton CF	9	
11/4/10	IN	Westville	13	Raymie Richards
11/4/10	TX	Bartlett	13	Bob Sharp
11/4/10	TX	Connally	16	Jimmy McFadin
11/4/10	TX	McConnell	30	Ed Gorny
11/4/10	WA	McNeil Island CC	28	
11/5/10	NC	Pasquotank	22	Gary McDaniel
11/11/10	CA	Ironwood	23	Marty Gentleman
11/11/10	TX	Beto	43	Bill Pockrus
11/11/10	TX	Clemens	11	Mike Wood
11/11/10	TX	Dalhart	23	Bob Ulrey
11/11/10	TX	Eastham	20	Jim Austin
11/12/10	CA	California Medical Facility	36	Harry Stice
11/18/10	CA	Atwater Penitentiary	3	Jerry Collins

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11/18/10	FA	Everglades CI	17	Wilson Alvarez
11/25/10	So Afr	Drakenstein	18	
11/29/10	Nic	La Modelo	7	Br. Eliodoro Garcia
12/2/10	CA	Victorville USP	8	Armando Castelazo
12/9/10	FL	South Bay Correctional	20	
12/9/10	NY	Wende		Ron Opferbeck
12/30/10	TX	Ferguson	50	C.J. Salzman

KAIROS TORCH WEEKENDS

Date	State	Institution	Wknd #	Leader
7/18/10	OK	Central OK JC (Girls)	8	Kay Brader
7/25/10	MD	Green Ridge YDC	1	Dan Pazdersky & Cathy
8/27/10	OH	Marian (MCI)	11	Kropp
10/29/10	MS	Walnut Grove Corr	3	Randy Brown
11/5/10	IN	Pendleton JV		Charleen & Darryl Whit-
11/19/10	So Arf	Drakenstein	14	ford

KAIROS WOMEN'S WEEKENDS

Date	State	Institution	Wknd #	Leader
6/17/10	AR	McPherson Women's Unit	21	Beth Leverett
6/24/10	OH	Trumbull Corr Camp	3	Bonnie Boring
7/9/10	So Afr	Kroonstad	2	
8/12/10	NC	Southern	2	Mary Griffin
8/26/10	GA	Pulaski SP	30	Janet Stone
9/3/10	CA	California Inst. for Women	3	Ari Ochoa
9/3/10	CA	Central Cal Women's Facility	5	Anne Hampton
9/9/10	GA	Metro SP	11	LaJauna Ellis
9/16/10	OH	Franklin PreRelease Center	11	Pauline LaPaugh
9/23/10	IN	Indiana Women's Prison	11	Norma Gaidoo
9/23/10	TX	Lockhart	11	Kathleen Moore
9/30/10	FL	Hernando CI	27	Jerri Edwards
9/30/10	TX	Murray	11	Phyllis Neugent
10/6/10	MS	CMCF	27	Joanne Papa
10/7/10	FL	Hillsborough CI	12	Barbara Fox
10/8/10	CA	Valley SP	11	Billie Hair
10/8/10	CT	Danbury Federal Prison	11	Brenda Braun
10/9/10	CA	FCI Dublin	47	Irene Anderson
10/14/10	FL	Broward CI Women's	80	Kristi LaMay
10/21/10	TX	Mountain View	21	Alice Finley
10/28/10	TX	Hobby Women's Unit	28	Nancy Forrester
11/3/10	CT	York CI	14	Donna Speaks
11/11/10	IN	Rockville	13	Loretta Ferree
12/2/10	CO	Denver Women's	14	



KAIROS OUTSIDE WEEKENDS

Date	State	Institution	Wknd #	Leader
7/9/10	Aus	Perth	4	Glen Banks
7/16/10	NY	New York City	2	Majorie Brooks
7/30/10	TX	Amarillo	19	Chris Guill
8/20/10	IL	Illinois	15	Ruby DcBardlabon
8/27/10	Aus	Canberra-Monaro	11	Tracey Moores
8/27/10	TN	West Tenn (Memphis)	9	Cindy Morris
9/10/10	AK	Alaska	1	Karolann Whetsell
9/10/10	Aus	Adelaide (So Aus)	14	Meg Keher
9/10/10	GA	North GA	26	Jeanne Brewton
9/10/10	TN	Northeast Tenn	4	Dana Bowman
9/17/10	MS	Mississippi	11	Denice Williams
9/17/10	NY	Mid-Hudson	24	Deb Vermilyea
9/17/10	TX	Houston	24	Julie Burks
9/24/10	AZ	Phoenix	9	Joanie Koss
9/24/10	CA	Northern California	50	Tanisha Broadway
9/24/10	CA	San Diego	27	Rose Vasquez
9/24/10	GA	South Georgia	8	Sonya Stull
9/24/10	IN	Southern IN	2	Doris Beard
9/24/10	KS	Wheat State	6	Angie Park
9/24/10	LA	East Louisiana	5	Carol Spisak
9/24/10	NY	Mid-Hudson	24	Deb Vermilyea
10/1/10	AL	Alabama	26	Ginger Lowe
10/1/10	GA	South Georgia		Sonya Stull
10/1/10	IN	Central Indiana	1	Becky Luca
10/1/10	MO	Western MO	3	Linda Case
10/1/10	NM	New Mexico	22	Elsie Williams
10/1/10	TX	No TX (Dal/Ft Worth)	28	Shy Wilson
10/8/10	IN	Northern IN	9	Nancy Norris
10/8/10	OH	Community	10	Barb Cooper
10/8/10	TN	East Tenn	16	Mary Humes
10/8/10	VA	Central VA (Burkeville)	25	Mary Link
10/15/10	Aus	Melbourne	7	Marion Drake
10/15/10	CA	Northern California	51	Rosa Valdez
10/15/10	FL	Northeastern FL	12	Michele Ganas
10/22/10	CA	Victor Valley	6	Donna Sheridan
10/22/10	FL	Central Florida	32	Bonnie Zicheck
10/22/10	FL	SW FL (Ft Meyers)	6	Diann Samples
10/22/10	OK	Eastern Oklahoma	10	Lori Peters
10/22/10	SoAfr	Krugersdorp	16	Hannah Kruger
10/22/10	TX	Midland, TX	22	Carolyn Quine
10/22/10	VA	North Virginia	1	Linda Smith
10/22/10	VA	Southwest Virginia	8	Stephanie Lann
10/29/10	MO	Eastern MO	17	Barbara Murray
10/29/10	SC	South Carolina	8	Delores Whitaker
10/29/10	TX	Corpus Christi	7	Tracey Womack
11/5/10	Aus	Riverina NSW	4	Clarice Manglesdorf
11/5/10	Aus	So Queensland	20	Robyn Teese
11/5/10	CA	Desert	17	Cheryl Campbell
11/5/10	CO	Colorado	5	Catherine Flint
11/5/10	FL	North Central (Tallahassee)	10	Amanda Cannon-Erikson
11/5/10	MD	Maryland	9	Catherine Pitt
11/5/10	NC	Eastern NC	13	Laurie Baldrige
11/5/10	TX	Wichita Falls, TX	9	Barbara McGowan
11/5/10	WA	Washington	28	Norma Stinson
11/12/10	CA	So Cal - Pamona	48	Angela Reyes
11/12/10	UK	SW UK	14	Muriel Gover
11/19/10	Aus	Sydney	24	Robyn Morris
11/19/10	TX	San Antonio, TX	20	Linda Harper



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God's Special Time

Making Sense...of the Kairos Experience

Such an awesome group of women greeting you at the door.

"We had no way of knowing the joy they had in store.

Becoming a child at heart

has been an awesome part of our Kairos Weekend;

crying, laughing, food and new friends;

storytelling, stuffed animals and gift after gift after gift.

"What a gift!

Feeling as if you are a part of the family,

makes you feel God's grace and love, and spiritually free.

Being ministered to from the other side;

being able to give what you once received,

helps us to believe in the process

and its success.

Seeing your sisters in Christ healed and set free

proves that the love of Christ and trust is the key.

Being able to serve and see the effect it has on others.

Meeting new sisters from another mother.

The Kairos Weekend — so very glad we came.

We will continue to pray for you in Jesus' name.

By Queen T
Kairos Outside Guest