



KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY INTERNATIONAL AND CROSSROAD BIBLE INSTITUTE JOIN TOGETHER TO PROMOTE BIBLE STUDY

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For several years, Kairos Prison Ministry International has had a memo of understanding with Crossroad Bible Institute. Both ministries have a deep passion to equip incarcerated men, women and youth with Biblically based materials to help them better understand the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ. Together, the ministries are actively promoting Bible study through the Crossroad Bible Institute's free correspondence course.

Crossroad Bible Institute has been working since 1984 to provide students with faith-based reentry education, to equip the church to make disciples, to guide students into reentry agencies upon their release and to educate the church on criminal and restorative justice issues.

Kairos Prison Ministry International's mission is to impact the hearts and lives of incarcerated men, women and youth, as well as their families, to become loving and productive citizens of their communities.

Crossroad provides a free bible study correspondence course to thousands of inmates in prisons throughout the world and in many languages. The Crossroad course has an excellent ecumenical/interdenominational platform, which fits in perfectly to the Kairos programs.

How the program works: Kairos (or another ministry affiliated with CBI) supplies the Enrollment Form for the student (incarcerated male/female) to complete and return the Form to Crossroad, which in turn, mails the study lesson to the student, one at a time. The student completes and returns the lessons to Crossroad trained volunteer instructors to correct and return the lessons to the student, along with personal letters of discipleship. The student is awarded a certificate when he/she successfully completes the course

In Kairos, as in Cursillo or other Christian 4th day programs, the focus of spirituality is on study, piety and action supported by small prayer and share accountability groups. The small prayer and share accountability groups help inmates to support and encourage each other. The reunions provide an opportunity for our smaller groups to group together. Through the CBI Bible Study program, Kairos can truly enable the participants and guests to live out their fourth day.

Kairos Executive Director, John A. Thompson, Jr. said, "I think the Crossroad Bible Course(s) is an excellent way to help our inmates/guests study the Bible. My hope is that every inmate/guest will receive a Crossroad Enrollment Form sometime during or immediately following their Weekend. Imagine having thousands of Kairos graduates studying their Bibles in an organized program like Crossroad!"

The Enrollment Forms can be obtained at the Kairos International office by contacting Victor Reyes at victor@kpmi.org or through the Crossroad website at <http://www.crossroadbible.org/EnrollmentForms.htm> or downloaded from the MyKairos.org website.

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