



GOD'S SPECIAL TIME

Kairos Prison Ministry E-Newsletter

December 2022

The Holidays and Year End

It's hard to believe that it's already December. It's the holiday season when we remember all we are thankful for in our lives and celebrate the birth of our Lord.

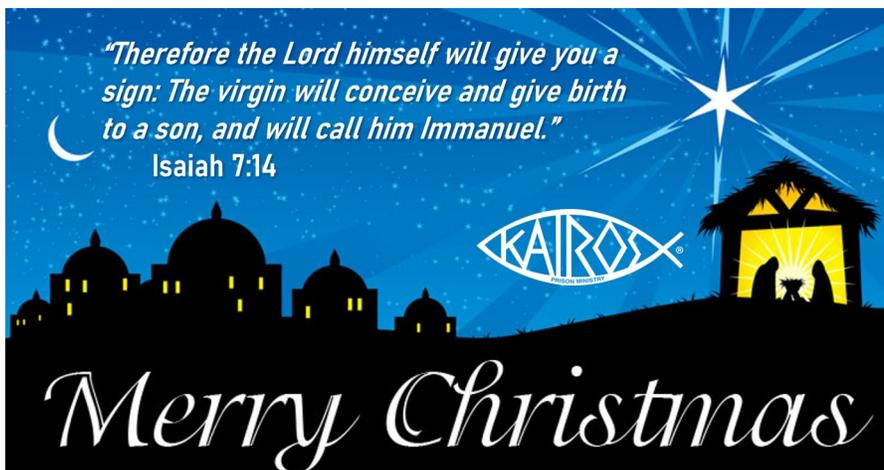
We are thankful for the Lord's provisions for Kairos each day, for every volunteer, for the adult and youth facilities we are honored to serve in, for the privilege of serving the families of the incarcerated, for the wonderful programs we have, and the list goes on and on!

We are grateful for all those serving in various roles on Weekends, Continuing Ministry, Advisory Councils, and State Chapters. As we transition to a new year of leadership, let's do it all in a way that pleases our Lord.

Let's continually be in prayer for one another and this wonderful ministry of Kairos.

I pray that you and your family have a blessed Christmas and may your 2023 be a wonderful God filled year.

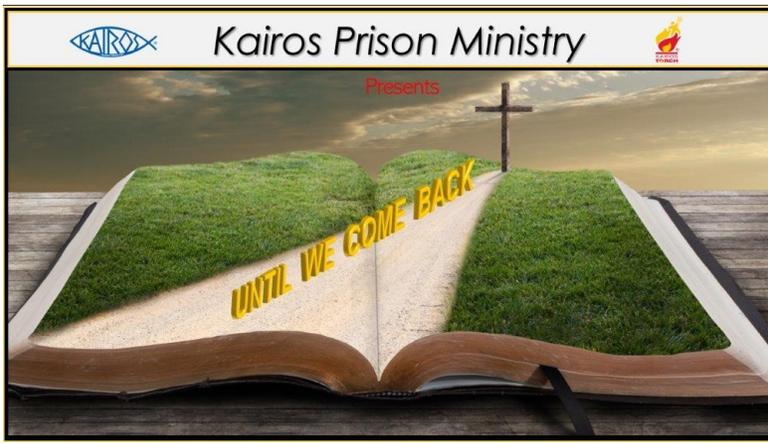
Blessings, Evelyn Lemly, CEO



Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed and Merry Christmas

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Use the “Until We Come Back” Video Series

Kairos has created this series of videos made to be shown at facilities that Kairos is in, those we have been in, and are currently unable to enter. These videos engage the residents by offering words of hope, encouragement, and blessings. **Over 40 of these videos have been released** and include messages from Kairos volunteers to let inmates know they are still being loved and prayed for.

Videos are posted at www.mykairos.org/until-we-come-back.html where they can either be linked to or downloaded and given to facilities to play on their closed circuit systems if internet access is unavailable.

Each video is accompanied by a talk sheet for the viewer that asks a few questions about the message in the video and how they can apply it to their own life. Take advantage of these videos and let those we serve know they are not forgotten.

New Kairos Inside Testimony Video

Watch the testimony of Kairos Inside Graduate Ken Kotnik, as he tells his story of abusing drugs as a child, being in prison, attempting suicide, joining the Aryan Brotherhood, going through Kairos, and becoming a committed follower of Christ and volunteer for both Kairos Inside and Kairos Outside.



Ken is a living testimony of the impact Jesus Christ can have on a person in prison as well as his family. [Watch Ken’s testimony](#) on the Kairos Prison Ministry YouTube channel today.

Order Kairos Recruitment Supplies

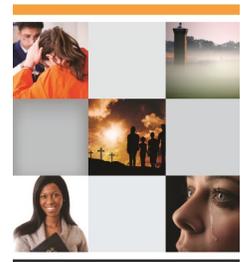
Enhance your State and Advisory Council recruiting by ordering predesigned retractable banners, whether table top or full height, table runners or table coverings, all at lower costs than before, plus free shipping! Discuss these options with your Advisory Council as recruiting is a huge priority as more and more Advisory Councils are scheduling Weekends.

Kairos has recruitment banner stands and table covering products available online. All banner orders are able to be made directly online at kairos.go.customprintcenter.com. View the predesigned Kairos options available to order for your Advisory Council.

Kairos Prison Ministry



Kairos Inside
Program for Incarcerated Women



ONE MINISTRY. THREE PROGRAMS
Kairos Inside for incarcerated men and women | Kairos Outside for women impacted by incarceration | Kairos Torch for incarcerated youth



Better Together

Kairos Elections Should be Completed

Elections have taken place for the Advisory Council and State Chapter Committee for 2023. Everyone takes office on January 1, 2023. Elections must be completed by December 1, 2022 and entered into KairosMessenger by December 31, 2022. If assistance is needed, please contact andy@kpmi.org. The month of January should be used to transition members into their new roles. Previous members have access to KairosMessenger until 1/31/23 to assist in the transition.

If your Advisory Council did not enter elections in 2022, please email the roster to andy@kpmi.org.



DAILY PRAYER TIME
AND
MONTHLY PRAYER CALL



PRAY DAILY AT NOON
AND
JOIN OUR PRAYER CONFERENCE CALL AT 12PM ET THE 1ST OF EACH MONTH



DIAL 301-715-8592

MEETING ID:
320 251 8737#

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215540#

Join the Kairos Daily & Monthly Prayer Times

We are asking every volunteer to pray for Kairos daily at noon (your time). Plus, we begin each month with an organizational prayer via conference call.

A Kairos corporate prayer conference call is held on the 1st day of each month at 12:00 pm (noon) Eastern Time for 15 minutes. A designated Kairos leader leads us in prayer each month. This call is open to everyone in Kairos!

**Dial: 301-715-8592 • Enter meeting ID: 3202518737# •
Enter passcode: 215540#**

Order Prisoner to Prisoner Devotionals for 2023

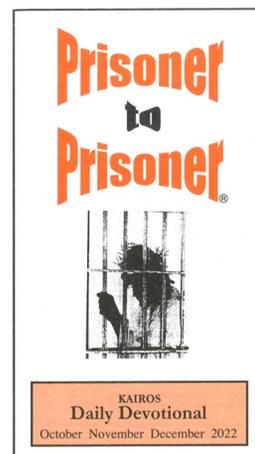
Consider ordering Prisoner to Prisoner devotionals (also known as P2P), the only devotional written by prisoners for prisoners. This uniqueness makes it more than a devotional, but a written account of the lives, experiences, and heartfelt feelings of those who are incarcerated, making for unique and relatable content.

This quarterly devotional is perfect for ordering to distribute to your church, Christian friends, or directly to the prison chaplain in your area. Orders can be recurring or one-time. Ask your Advisory Council to order via the [Kairos supply order form](#) by the following date:

1/23/23 order deadline for the April/May/June Issue

4/24/23 order deadline for the July/August/September Issue

7/24/23 order deadline for the Oct./Nov./Dec. Issue



Kairos Outside New Hampshire Team Member Testimony

God called us all, we came from all over, different states, different backgrounds, different capabilities. The fire of Kairos Outside seemed to have burnt out in New Hampshire. But below the burned out logs and sticks that others had brought before, laid embers. God heard the prayers of the women who had cried out alone in their rooms. He heard the prayers of those that He placed a burden on, to help carry those burdens, saw the tears of those in need. Even though the silence seemed to linger and go unanswered, God heard it and moved in His time. He prepared.

God sent out the call; some came, many did not. This was okay because God had whispered into the hearts to prepare the ones He needed in the present and future to plant the seeds and rebuild the fire. If all He called to walk this walk came to the call right now, those in the future would not answer this call and would be lost. All the wishes of the Lord's Will would be answered but only He knows how and when. The ones who answered knew in their hearts they had been called; many didn't feel good enough, smart enough, but they knew God would be there, they had faith that God had walked before them. They answered the call anyway, to be His hands to bring and prepare the food, write the talks and meditations, to crochet hearts, buy the right books, give the right cards, to pray and write prayer chains, to color logos, and God smiled and blessed them and was pleased at each gift that was brought, from the tiniest to the largest. Every gift made God smile because each would touch the hearts of at least one Guest, while also blessing and opening the hearts of the ones who had given it! It was all a part of God's Miracle and answer to the prayers, He had treasured and needed to answer them all. The fire was started and the prayers have begun to be answered and the angels began to sing.

I woke up this morning and looked at my face, my eyes looked swollen and puffy, just like Rocky's after his last fight. God gave me the analogy: we had just fought a fight after He had asked us to go into battle, with prayers, our hearts, with anything we could bring. We came, we fought, I went down in battle on the third day; it seemed I could not battle on and I felt ashamed, confused, like I had failed. But my sisters gathered around me, carried me on when I could not. They encouraged me, helped wipe away my tears, carried me and finished what I could not. I came because I was called, though I felt so incapable. But God knew He would send others who could fill in the gaps. God had sent them too. I saw their smiles, their love, I heard their words. God answered prayers, God filled in the gaps, God's Will was done!!!

Make Your Year End Tax Deductible Gifts to Kairos

Make sure to submit your tax deductible donations to Kairos before the end of the year to ensure you can count the gift towards your 2022 taxes.

Appreciated stocks or bonds may be donated directly to Kairos and designated to a state or Advisory Council. To donate stocks or bonds email becky@kpmi.org.

You may donate online via our [donation page](#) and designate a state if you choose.

A check can be mailed in as long as it is dated and postmarked by the end of the year to:
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Blvd.
DeBary, FL 32713

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Amazon Smile is also available on the Amazon app under Settings.

Turn on AmazonSmile in the Amazon app to generate donations.



Ways We Thrive

Share with us the ways you are thriving in Kairos by emailing marketing@kpmi.org so we can share them with the Kairos Family. As you read you will see we how often we are thriving, are you?

- Kairos Outside New Hampshire held their first Weekend in 7 years in November! It was attended by 12 women who were blessed along with each volunteer who contributed to the Weekend. It was a long journey to reform the Advisory Council and get to the point of having a Weekend, but so worth it!
- Lake Erie in Ohio held their first Kairos Inside Weekend since the pandemic and there were new restrictions on what could be brought in such as only store bought cookies, and only for the Weekend participants. God won the battle during the Weekend, and also during the past couple years when Kairos was not able to enter. While the number of Kairos Graduates had diminished due to releases and transfers, those remaining maintained their Bible study group throughout!
- After a very successful Weekend, Kairos Outside Delmarva is eagerly planning their next Weekend in April 2023. The Team Formation dates are set and recruitment for Guests, volunteers, and day angels is underway.
- Prayer & Share at the Connally Unit in Texas is being attended by over 60 men each time who are all participating in the fellowship of Jesus Christ.
- The ladies of Kairos Outside North Texas gave an impassioned request for referrals while at the Boyd Unit Kairos Inside Weekend. While wearing their shirts saying “Ask me about my time in prison” they told the participants that they want to love on your loved ones and that we walk this walk, every step with you. Such powerful testimony brought in many Kairos Outside Guest requests.



Kairos Obituaries

Let us Pray for & Remember Those Who Have Been Called By God to Heaven

To commemorate our Kairos Family members who have passed away, please visit the [Kairos Obituaries page](#).

If there is someone who has passed that should be recognized, please email their obituary to marketing@kpmi.org.

[View all Obituaries](#)

Continuing Ministry Training

Kairos now offers virtual Continuing Ministry Training to any Kairos Volunteer who is interested. Continuing Ministry is the heart of Kairos; the Weekends are important, but the introduction to Christianity is not likely to be sustained without reinforcement. As many locations open to Kairos, be ready and learn more about how you can continue serving.

Click on the link of the date you would like to register for to be taken to the registration page for that training. All Kairos training courses and registration links are listed at www.mykairos.org/training.html.

Kairos Outside

[Sat. Dec 17, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm](#)

Kairos Inside

[Wed. Jan 18, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm](#)

Gather and Submit Kairos Outside Guest Forms

Looking for ways to help Kairos? Kairos Outside is always in need of Guest Referrals. By referring potential Kairos Guests to your local Kairos Outside Program you are helping to further the work of Kairos Prison Ministry! The process has been simplified, just direct a potential Guest to www.KairosOutside.org, that's it!

This page on our website offers the ability to fill out a Kairos Outside Guest Reservation form and submit it to Kairos with no hassle. There is also a [flyer with a QR code to this page that can be found on mykairos.org](#) that you can hang up any and everywhere. Any female who is at least 20 years old and has been impacted by incarceration is eligible to attend a Kairos Outside Weekend.





Updated Supply Order Form

The Kairos supply order form has been completely changed, so **please ensure you are using the [updated version on MyKairos](#).**

The hyperlink is the same, but if you have a previous version saved on your computer that you use, please delete it and replace it with the new version!

Upcoming Kairos Weekends

As states ease restrictions and allow volunteers back into facilities, there are Kairos Weekends on the calendar through the end of the year and into 2023. Please pray for each Weekend and consider submitting agape. The full list of [agape emails](#) is available. **All Weekends can be found on the new [Kairos Kalendar](#) based in KairosMessenger!**

Remember to register your Weekend at www.kairosmessenger.org/kairosweekend.

Date	State	Advisory Council	Weekend #	Weekend Leader	Agape Email
12/1/22	CA	Ironwood	#39	Christian Hernandez	timscott@title24foryou.com
12/1/22	FL	Central FL Reception Ctr	#16	Ron Davis	pcaumonamd@yahoo.com
12/1/2022	FL	Madison CI	#33	John Easton	mapservicesllc@gmail.com
12/1/2022	NM	Southern NM CCF	#29	John Pickett	garybenisoni38@gmail.com
1/2/2023	Queensland	Wolston	#12	David	kiwacol@kairos.org.au
1/12/2023	TX	Torres	#43	Andrew Hamilton	hamyjuniorchili@gmail.com
1/19/2023	TX	Estes	#20	Kenneth Woods	cynthia4053@yahoo.com
2/2/2023	FL	Moore Haven CI	#54	Steven Vidaurri	john.molineaux@verizon.net
2/2/2023	TX	Wallace	#44	Mike McNeely	mikemcneely50@yahoo.com
2/2/2023	TX	Ferguson	#70	Matt Boecker	mjb122287@yahoo.com
2/7/2023	SC	Trenton	#1	Jeff Newman	tjambaston@aol.com
2/9/2023	AR	Tucker Unit	#45	Thomas Harding	tomh5176@gmail.com
2/16/2023	TX	Hutchins	#31	Tom Hanson	tgh767@gmail.com
2/17/2023	CA	Central CA Women	#25	Nancy Horn	genjohnson95@gmail.com
2/17/2023	CA	Valley State Prison Men	#14	Jim Millie	bsumlauf@hotmail.com
2/17/2023	PA	Allenwood USP	#11	Park Williams	parkwilliams@mac.com
2/23/2023	AL	Aliceville	#14	Susan Kizziah	lorahhubbard@att.net
2/24/2023	TX	Kairos Outside Central Texas	#13	Mona Trevino	rmntrevino@gmail.com

Reminder: Send Year End IRS Donation Receipts

Ensure your Donor Coordinator prints your 2022 tax deductible receipts for your donors and mails them before **1/31/23**. Kairos Prison Ministry International will mail it's tax deductible receipts by 1/27/23 to everyone who donated to KPMI in 2022. We are so thankful and blessed by your continued financial support of Kairos throughout the year.

Advanced Kairos Training Dates & Registration

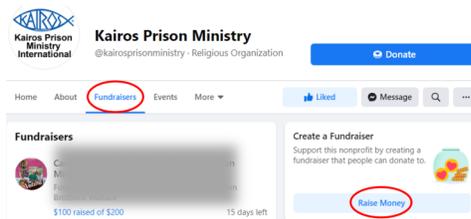
Reminder! All [Advanced Kairos Trainings](#) registrations are now done exclusively online. To register for an AKT, visit the [AKT Registration page on KairosMessenger](#). Ensure all Weekend Leaders attend AKT within 24 months of their Weekend. Deadlines are firm so please plan ahead.

- **AKT Talladega, AL: January 6-8 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside)**
Registration deadline: 12/5
- **AKT Richmond, VA: February 3-5 (Kairos Inside)**
Registration deadline: 1/20
- **AKT Indianapolis, IN: February 10-12 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside, & Kairos Torch)** Registration deadline: 1/27
- **AKT Applewood, CA: February 10-12 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside)** Registration deadline: 1/27
- **AKT Amarillo, TX: April 28-30 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside)**
- **AKT Huntsville, TX: June 2-4 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside)**
- **AKT Baltimore, MD: June 9 - 11 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside)**
- **AKT Raleigh, NC: July 15 - 17 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside)**
- **AKT Jacksonville, FL: August 18-20 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside, & Kairos Torch)**

Raise Funds with Facebook Fundraisers

Take this time to easily raise funds for your Advisory Council so it is fully funded for when its Kairos Weekends are held. One simple way to do

this is to [setup a Facebook Fundraiser](#) and invite your friends and family to contribute to our ministry. Unlike most online donation sites, Facebook doesn't take out any fees, so 100% of your donation goes to Kairos.



Contact Kairos

To submit stories and photos or to contact Kairos leadership and staff:

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Email:

marketing@kpmi.org

Visit us online:

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To access a wealth of information, tools, videos, forms, prior editions of our newsletters, and more, visit www.mykairos.org, the Kairos website designed specifically for Kairos Volunteers.

Kairos Facebook Group

Many items of interest such as upcoming Weekends, prayer requests, and inspirational stories are shared in our Kairos Facebook group. Request to be added, at www.facebook.com/groups/KairosPrisonMinistryInternational.