



GOD'S SPECIAL TIME

Kairos Prison Ministry E-Newsletter

February 2023

Moving Along

As 2023 unfolds, we see Kairos moving along with more Weekends, Continuing Ministry, training, and activity. We praise God that we are moving along. As we prepare to do the Lord's work as Kairos, let us ensure we notice sharing the great things He has done and is doing. So often we look at what is not happening and fail to see where we are truly moving along, and things are unfolding to allow us to make a great impact in 2023.

Moving along also means ensuring we are telling our friends, churches and pastors, and others we encounter of the great work the Lord is doing through Kairos and asking them to join us. We only move along if we have people joining us, not only as volunteers, but also as donors, prayer partners, cookie bakers, and agape creators. We can invite so many to join in the work, both directly and indirectly. Our greatest need to fully ramp up and grow is the need to involve people – to gain volunteers for today and the future.

Do you have a recruitment plan in place? And yes, I mean you – not just your State or Advisory Council – but you. If each of us would bring just one new person to Kairos we would have enough to fulfill all the needs of the ministry today, and expand to many new locations that would allow us in if

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May the love of Jesus be with you.

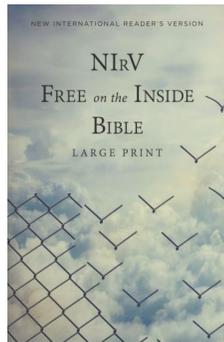
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we had the people. We have numerous youth facilities across the country asking for Kairos Torch and we are not walking through the door because we don't have enough people. We have Kairos Inside and Kairos Outside communities struggling because we don't have the people. We have new prisons asking us to come in and we don't have the people. Each of us has seen God do mighty things at Kairos and we just need to share it with others. So often, all it takes is to share how God is at work and invite someone to come see it and experience it with us.

Let's be bold for the Lord so that Kairos can not only move along but explode in 2023 as the doors open for us.

Blessings, Evelyn Lemly, CEO



Large Print Bibles Available for Easy Reading

We have a limited number of Large Print Free on the Inside NIRV bibles. Regularly priced \$85, they are now \$50 for a case of 20. First come first served! They can be ordered on the [Kairos Supply Order Form](#)!

New Resources on MyKairos

New resources have been added to the MyKairos website .

[The Science Behind Kairos Impact upon Behavior](#)

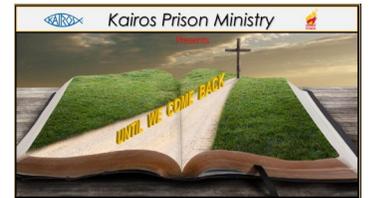
[The Science Behind Kairos Impact upon Behavior Summary](#)

[Guided Prayer for Kairos Outside](#)

[Kairos Inside Team Formation and Weekend Review Form](#)

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Use the "Until We Come Back" Video Series



Over 50 episodes of the 'Until We Come Back' video series have been released by Kairos!

This series of videos is made for facilities housing men, women, and youth, to engage them by offering words of encouragement, hope, and blessings. These short videos include messages from Kairos to let the inmates know they are not forgotten and they are still being loved and prayed for. The videos released in January are the last in the series.

These videos are posted at www.mykairos.org/until-we-come-back where they can be downloaded directly and given to facilities to play on their closed circuit systems.

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 www.kairos.go.customprintcenter.com. View the predesigned Kairos options available to order for your Advisory Council.



DISTANCE FOR DELIVERANCE

Organize a Walk for Your Advisory Council This June



Walk For Kairos in Your Community

Walk for Kairos in your community this summer by holding a ***DISTANCE FOR DELIVERANCE*** walk for your State or Advisory Council between June 9 - 18! Raise funds and awareness for Kairos with this event. The user friendly platform allowing for the setup of walks that include individual and team fundraising pages will be available soon!

Last year's ***DISTANCE FOR DELIVERANCE*** Walkathon was virtual, but this year there will be 2 mile walks put on by States or Advisory Councils. These walks may be scheduled on any date between June 9 - 18, 2023, with raised funds going to your State or Advisory Council. Start planning now by finding a team or point person to organize the walk and begin looking at locations it can be held.

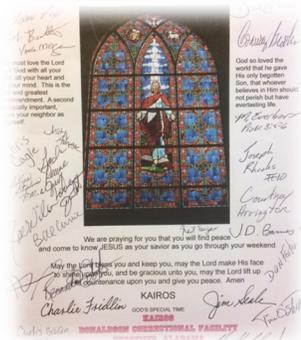


Contact marketing@kpmi.org if you are interested in information on organizing a walk.

Most importantly we need walk coordinators to promote the DISTANCE FOR DELIVERANCE Walkathon in your local community. Take this opportunity to not only fund your fall Weekends, but to expand Kairos' footprint in the community, and to get local churches involved.



How to Get General Agape for Kairos Weekends



General agape in Kairos is a physical representation of God's love. Agape consists of several things including monetary donations, cookies, prayers for the Weekend (put on a visible Prayer Vigil), placemats to be used at meals (often made by kids in Sunday School classes), food, people attending closing, and the many expressions of love via pictures hung on the walls from around the world. Most come from just asking friends and your

church family for help and telling them about your experience on a Weekend. Sometimes it is as easy as giving Sunday School or Christian School teachers blank 11 x 17 paper for placemats so children can decorate them. Interestingly, providing prayer, money or cookies is often the first step in someone becoming a Kairos volunteer.

Prayer is the backbone of Kairos, and the more people that are praying the better. It is easy to use an on-line site to sign up for a prayer slot

(prayervigils.net is a common one). This

can be done by the Agape Chair setting it up online and sending the link for the team to email to all their contacts to sign up and pray for the Weekend. While this is easy, the printout from Ezra with half hour time slots should still be given to every team member to get their church family and other friends involved with praying during all the hours of the Kairos Weekend. The completed prayer chain that wraps around the room several times is one of the most powerful visuals of the entire Weekend.



The wall agape needs a different route to obtain. We have seen some amazing posters made by various local Christian organizations such as Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Bible Studies, your Sunday School or even a poster made on a

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Official Kairos Apparel and Promotional Items

Kairos Threads -
www.kairosthreads.com

Bob and Diane Crane have volunteered with Kairos Prison Ministry for over 10 years and since 2012 have produced quality, custom machine-embroidered Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside, and Kairos Torch apparel and accessories.



New Thread Designs Etsy Shop

Longtime Kairos volunteer Scott Maycumber offers a variety of quality Kairos products [in his Etsy store](#).



Donate Stock to Kairos

Did you know that you can donate appreciated stocks directly to Kairos instead of giving a cash gift?

The benefits are twofold; one is that you avoid paying capital gains tax on your earnings, which is usually around 15-20% on long-term investments. The other benefit is that **you can deduct the entire amount of your stocks value at the time of the donation from your taxes!**

By donating stock that you may not need for your retirement directly to Kairos, you save on your taxes and Kairos gains more value as non-profits do not pay capitals gains taxes.

To learn more about how you can donate stock to Kairos please email legacy@kpmi.org, call 407-629-4948, or visit www.kairoslegacy.org.



previous Kairos Weekend (called Building the Body in the Ezra Schedule). The agape that we see more often comes from around the world from other Kairos Advisory Councils, State Chapter Committees, and many 4th Day Communities. **The best way to get this kind of agape is to send your agape to other people.**



Go to the Kairos Kalendar on mykairos.org and send your agape to the Weekend Agape Contact for listed Weekends and ask for agape in return. It can be done via email, so it is quick and easy. Another good method, but not quite as good as the first one, is under the **'Where We Serve'** section of mykairos.org, you can click on your state and scroll all the way to the bottom and you will see "Agape for your Weekends" where a lot of agape is posted. You have to click to see them and print them out. There is a lot there and with one warning, please make sure that what you print doesn't have a date or something else odd (like Kairos rainbow fish), as some are old.

Agape is a powerful tool used on the Weekend to move our participants and Guests closer to God by showing His love for them from the larger Christian community. It is incredibly powerful to watch participants walk around the room and read names on the prayer chain or see something from South Africa or Australia. How often do you hear at a closing or open mic that God used agape to soften hardened hearts?



The 2023 Kairos Annual Conference will be Held in Indiana

Save the dates of 7/25/23 - 7/29/23 as the Kairos Annual Conference will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana!

More information will be included on the www.mykairos.org website and in the next newsletter!



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#**

**PASSCODE:
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#**

New: Advisory Council Secretaries and Data Coordinators Training

This training is for USA based Kairos Advisory Council Secretaries and Data Coordinators. This training includes handling data in KairosMessenger as well as the election process. In this training one will learn how to clean up and maintain volunteer data, view new reports, understand the improvements made to KairosMessenger, understand the Election Eligibility Report to determine vacancies, use KairosMessenger to request nominations and votes for nominees, enter elections into KairosMessenger using the new process, send emails to the community, send emails to elected members with job descriptions and logins, print the roster. *All times are EST.*

[Fri. Feb 17, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm](#)

[Tue. Feb 21, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm](#)

[Sat. Feb 25, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm](#)

[Tue. Feb 28, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm](#)

[Wed. Mar 1, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm](#)

Become an Ordained Chaplain

Kairos has partnered with Christian Chaplains & Coaching to provide online opportunities for persons to become ordained Chaplains. Upon completion of the courses, a person would be approved as a Clergy/Spiritual Director for Kairos.

Visit

www.ChristianChaplains.org/Kairos to receive more information and to inquire how to get started; or [view our brochure](#).

All costs and responsibility to obtain training is that of the individual, not Kairos.



**CHRISTIAN CHAPLAINS
& COACHING**

Apply for Walmart Community Grants

The Atlanta Metro RF Advisory Council was able to procure a \$500 grant from their local Walmart store by creating an account through [CyberGrants](#) and then speaking with their local store manager to ensure the store's support and approval of the online grant application.

Visit the [Cybergrants website](#) to request a login through Kairos Prison Ministry. Once on the site locate Kairos by selecting the U.S. IRS and then type in "Kairos Prison Ministry" and choose Florida as the state and click search. Click "View" on the results and then "Request Access." Once completed KPMI will review your request and help you get your grant started.



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?

- Prayer and Share has returned to Jessup Correctional Institute (JCI) in Maryland. The first Prayer and Share was just in time for Christmas. The first few sessions were spent together, catching up and celebrating Kairos' return. We learned about our inside brothers who had been released or moved, and shared stories of how God worked in our lives during COVID. Our inside brothers had been busy attending classes, earning degrees, starting podcasts, and encouraging one another
- Thank you to all of you who made it possible that we could have our Kairos Outside Georgia Weekend #42. It was a challenge being the first Weekend after COVID. Our Guests had a wonderful time in the Lord. We could not have done it first without God, and then without time, effort, dedication, support, donations, and love that we received from you. It was a privilege and an honor to serve as God's Appointed Leader for our #42 Weekend. Looking forward to continuing to serve God on this wonderful ministry and to support our next God's Appointed Leader for #43.
- Kairos Inside Trenton in South Carolina is holding their #1 Weekend from February 7 - 10, during the week. [Join in covering this Weekend in prayer](#) as we expand our impact into a new facility for many years to come.

#1 Weekend Alert

Trenton, South Carolina
February 7 – 10, 2023
Weekend Leader: Jeff Newman
Email: jlecnewman@gmail.com

Send Agape to: Bert Webb
rf53webb@gmail.com



Kairos
Men's Inside



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. 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. Feb 18, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm](#)
- [Sat. Apr 15, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm](#)
- [Sat. May 20, 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm](#)
- [Sat. Aug 12, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm](#)
- [Sat. Sept 9, 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm](#)
- [Sat. Oct 14, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm](#)

Kairos Inside

- [Thu. Feb 16, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm](#)
- [Mon. Mar. 20, 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 updated, 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 2024. 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
2/2/2023	FL	Jefferson CI	#29	Frank Risech	frisech1@gmail.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
2/3/2023	FL	Kairos Outside Southwest FL	#26	Bev Ferlong	hopeyhogan@yahoo.com
2/7/2023	SC	Trenton	#1	Jeff Newman	tjambaston@aol.com
2/16/2023	TX	Hutchins	#31	Tom Hanson	tgh767@gmail.com
2/16/2023	TX	Torres	#43	Andrew Hamilton	hamyjuniorchili@gmail.com
2/17/2023	So Afr	Kairos Outside KwaZulu-Natal	#3	Janis Rayner	sharlene.m.shaw@gmail.com
2/17/2023	CA	Central CA Women	#25	Nancy Horn	genjohnson95@gmail.com
2/17/2023	CA	San Quentin	#55	Curtis Weddington	maxadreyer@gmail.com
2/17/2023	CA	Valley State Prison Men	#14	Jim Millie	bsumlauf@hotmail.com
2/21/2023	Aus	Dillwynia	#20	Debbie	debbie.joy.ryan@gmail.com
2/23/2023	AL	Aliceville	#14	Susan Kizziah	lorahhubbard@att.net
2/23/2023	AL	Elmore	#23	Daniel Sims	stan@wattsherring.com
2/23/2023	AR	Pine Bluff Unit	#51	John Pownall	richard.allen@dhs.arkansas.gov
2/24/2023	TX	Kairos Outside Central Texas	#13	Mona Trevino	rmntrevino@gmail.com



Kairos, Tres Dias, Via de Cristo, Presbyterian Pilgrimage, Episcopal Cursillo, and Emmaus Ministries leaders met at the Kairos offices to share about their ministry and discuss supporting one another in 2023. Each ministry supports one another with local involvement, agape, and prayer. Let's work together to glorify our Lord.

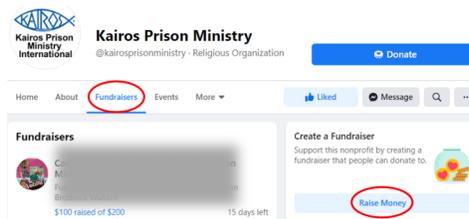
Advanced Kairos Training Dates & Registration

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 Amarillo, TX: April 28-30 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside)**
- **AKT Denver, CO: May 5-7 (Kairos Inside)**
- **AKT Huntsville, TX: June 2-4 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside)**
- **AKT Baltimore, MD: June 9 - 11 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside)**
- **AKT Raleigh, NC: July 14 - 16 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside)**
- **AKT Jacksonville, FL: August 18-20 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside, & Kairos Torch)**
- **AKT Waxahachie, TX: September 15 - 17 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside, & Kairos Torch)**
- **AKT Indianapolis, IN: October 20 - 22 (Kairos Inside)**

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.



Assistance in setting up your Facebook Fundraiser is [available on MyKairos](#).

Contact Kairos

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

Call:

407-629-4948

Email:

marketing@kpmi.org

Visit us online:

kairosprisonministry.org

100 DeBary Plantation Blvd.
DeBary, FL 32713

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.