



# GOD'S SPECIAL TIME

Kairos Prison Ministry E-Newsletter

January 2022

## Happy 2022!

Here we are starting a new year as Kairos! We pray that we will start the year off by getting access to the men's, women's, and youth facilities in every state very soon, and that Kairos Outside is fully operating everywhere this spring.

Kairos will continue to focus on our spiritual health and that of our teams (State Chapter Committee, Advisory Council, volunteer teams, Board, and staff). So we pray and pray and pray – focusing on our Lord and provider with each step we take.

We also focus on the wonderful opportunity we have to expand Continuing Ministry for each program so we are helping those we serve grow in their walk daily – that's discipleship for each of the Graduates and Guests. It's amazing when we help them grow, we grow too!

We will focus on RECRUITMENT of volunteers so we have people to serve in all roles within the ministry, including Weekends and Continuing Ministry. This of course includes where we serve today and where we could be serving tomorrow. We continue to know of prisons where Kairos Inside could be, numerous opportunities for Kairos Torch in youth facilities, and growth for Kairos Outside across the nation. We

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*Happy New Year's*

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need people of various ages, races, and Christian denominations to come together to show the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ to those impacted by incarceration.

Planning is key to us succeeding and carrying out the ministry. We plan how to do something and then carry it out. We target a goal and work to fulfill that through our actions. We must stretch ourselves and those around us so we can add to our Kairos team. Set a goal to add new volunteers to your community so we have growth at every community in 2022. Let's set a goal to help open those new locations and help get people started so they can recruit and reach people in new areas.

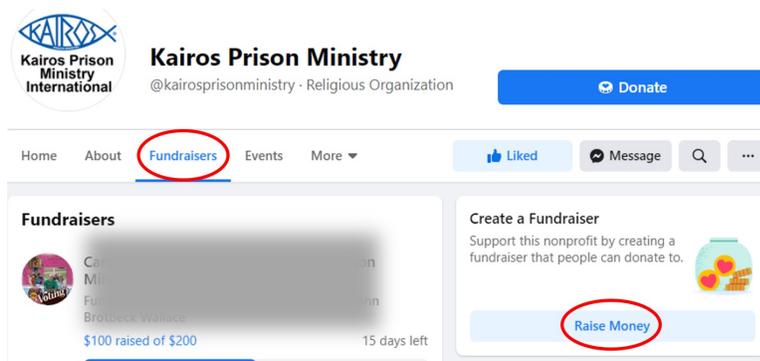
God is in control and still at work – we have much to do at Kairos and great opportunities to set ourselves up for doing even more ministry for the next few years. Let's trust God to open the doors at the right time and right place as He always does. Don't be discouraged – Trust Him! Ephesians 3:20 "Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us..."

Go Kairos! Cheers to an exciting year of growth and impact beyond our imagination!

Blessings, Evelyn Lemly, CEO

## Kickstart 2022 with a Facebook Fundraiser

One easy and simple way to fundraise 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](#).



***Please ensure you include the name of your state or Advisory Council in the name of the Facebook Fundraiser so it can be easily directed to your cause!***

## Enter Kairos Elections Results

Elections should have taken place for the Advisory Council and State Chapter Committee for 2022. Everyone takes office on January 1, 2022. Elections were to be entered into KairosMessenger by December 31, 2021. If assistance is needed in entering the results, please contact [andy@kpmi.org](mailto:andy@kpmi.org).

## Updated Financial Policies & Practices for 2022

There have been several updates to the Kairos Financial Policies and Practices for 2022. Please take the time to review this document on MyKairos at [www.mykairos.org/docs/kpmi/fpp.pdf](http://www.mykairos.org/docs/kpmi/fpp.pdf) and access the rest of the updated financial documents on the [MyKairos downloads page](#).

## Kairos Cookies Are Being Delivered for Christmas

- A Kairos Inside team in Tennessee wanted to do something for the residents and staff at their facility, and asked the Chaplain what they could do. The Chaplain said cookies would be a great treat but would have to be provided to everyone, about 2,300 dozen cookies. After prayer and some emails to other local Christian groups, they were able to deliver 2,500 dozen cookies to the prison during the week of Thanksgiving. God is still at work!

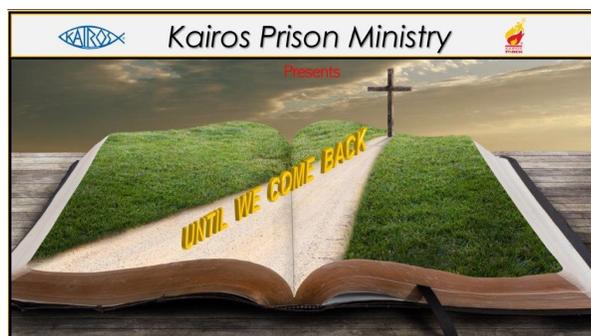


- The Kairos team at Pender made some custom images printed and supplied to Pender Correctional along with packaged cookies given to residents for Christmas.

- A dozen volunteers at four locations in Arkansas bagged a total of 1,400 dozen Kairos Cookies, enough to provide each of the 1,100 residents and every staff member on duty at the Grimes Unit with a dozen cookies. Volunteers converged at the prison from around the state, some driving as much as four hours, to deliver the cookies. Grimes has not been able to go inside since the pandemic began, and in this case were still not allowed into the prison. Thankfully the love of these volunteers and that of Jesus is not restrained by walls and gates, and these cookies will bring the light of Christ into the darkness of prison life. The team is very hopefully that this is the beginning of many more opportunities to get back to holding Prayer and Share and even Weekends in the coming weeks and months of the new year.



# Are You Using the Brand New 'Until We Come Back' Video Series?



**Kairos has launched the video series 'Until We Come Back' and 11 episodes have been released plus an introductory video!** 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. Facilities that aren't allowed to admit volunteers are requesting some way for Kairos to be inside, and this is one of those ways!

The first two series related to Thanksgiving and Christmas have already been released and **the third series related to New Year's is out now!** Videos are posted at [www.mykairos.org/until-we-come-back.html](http://www.mykairos.org/until-we-come-back.html) where they can be downloaded directly, to be given to facilities for play on their closed circuit systems.

## Wishing You a Happy 2022

On behalf of the Kairos staff, CEO Evelyn Lemly would like to [wish you a very Happy New Year's and a blessed 2022.](#)



## Order your P2P Devotionals for 2022 Now

This quarterly devotional is perfect for ordering to distribute to your church, to Christian friends, or directly to a 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 deadlines:

**1-17-2022 for Q2**

**4-11-2022 for Q3**

**7-18-2022 for Q4**

Prices for the P2P change in 2022 to:

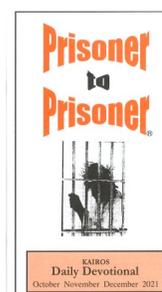
**\$42.50 for 25**

**\$85.00 for 50**

**\$1.19 each for 200-399**

**\$1.11 each for 400-999**

**\$0.94 each for 1,000+**



## Use Amazon Smile When Shopping Online

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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.

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# Find the Blessing

Share with us your stories of blessings you have found in Kairos by emailing [marketing@kpmi.org](mailto:marketing@kpmi.org) so we can share them with the Kairos Family. As you read the articles below you will see we have many blessings at Kairos – what’s yours?

- Several weeks ago, a Kairos Outside Chair in Alabama contacted the West TN Men's Prison Advisory Council Chair with concern about an upcoming Kairos Outside of South Alabama Weekend Guest. It seems the Guest on the Kairos Outside Weekend was very concerned about her daughter-in-law who was really struggling while incarcerated at West TN Women's Prison. No one thought they could do anything, but upon an inquiry, the Institutional Liaison found out that the daughter-in-law had already applied to attend Kairos Inside in Tennessee and would be attending on the same days as her mother-in-law was attending Kairos Outside in Alabama!
- A few months ago in the midst of COVID, "Ken" was at home when his doorbell rang. Answering the door, Ken did not recognize the man. The man asked, "Are you Ken?" Ken had no idea who this guy was. The man then introduced himself and to Ken's surprise, it was his ex-brother-in-law whom he had not seen in at least 20 years. He then held out a Kairos meal ticket. He told Ken he had been incarcerated at Branchville Correctional Facility, and had gone through a Kairos Weekend. At the Saturday evening meal before the Forgiveness Exercise, laying in front of him was that meal ticket with Ken's name on it and a scripture written on the back. Ken invited his ex-brother-in-law into his home. They sat and talked about Jesus, how his ex-brother-in-law's life was transformed, and how meaningful and impactful it was to see Ken's name on a meal ticket.

[See More Blessings](#)



## 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](mailto: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. With many locations still not able to hold Kairos Weekends, now is a great time to 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](http://www.mykairos.org/training.html).

### Kairos Inside

[Tue. January 25, 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm](#)

[Tue. February 22, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm](#)

[Tue. March 8, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm](#)

## Kairos Institutional Liaison Training

Sign up for this virtual training by clicking the link and registering. An email confirmation will be sent to you for joining the 1 ½ hour training.

[Kairos Inside: Thurs. January 13, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm](#)

[Kairos Inside: Sat. February 19, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm](#)

[Kairos Inside: Mon. March 14, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm](#)

## Kairos Face Masks Are Now Available

Kairos face masks are now available for only \$2.50 each!

The [Kairos supply order form](#) has been updated to include these reusable one size fits all masks.

Add a Kairos mask to your wardrobe when going out, as you never know when someone will ask about Kairos and what we do; give them a reason to.

Items from the Kairos supply order form may only be ordered by your Advisory Council, not by individuals. If you would like a Kairos mask, contact your Advisory Council Chair so they can add it to their next supply order.

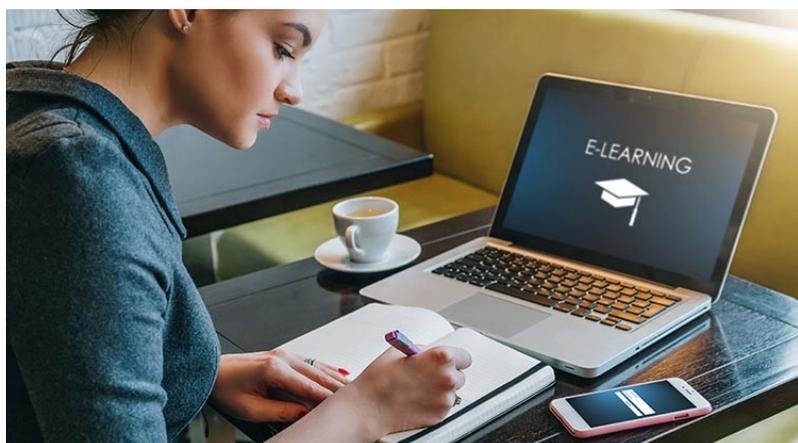


## Prayer Vigils

In response to the lack of support for the prior prayer vigil website, Kairos has found a new home for Advisory Councils to post and sign up for timeslots, [www.prayervigils.net](http://www.prayervigils.net).

Some Advisory Councils have already been using [www.prayervigils.net](http://www.prayervigils.net) to cover their Kairos Weekends in prayer. The Annual Conference prayer vigil was setup through the website and all timeslots were filled, so the entire conference was covered in prayer 24/7 through its duration. Due to this very successful test run, it is the preferred prayer vigil site for Kairos.

Bookmark [www.prayervigils.net](http://www.prayervigils.net) and check in to see what Kairos Weekends and events are requesting prayer. There are currently a handful of Advisory Councils asking for prayer for their upcoming Kairos Weekends and many more prayer warriors are needed. Sign up for your time slots today.



## AKT Refresher Courses

Kairos is currently offering Advanced Kairos Training Refresher Courses, with registration open now. These Zoom courses are for Weekend Leaders, Observing Leaders, and Advising Leaders who had already gone to AKT but their Weekends were cancelled due to COVID. **These are not a replacement for AKT. If you have yet to attend an AKT, do not register for a refresher course.** Each course is limited to 30 participants and **registration is required**. Register soon to ensure your place in your preferred course by clicking on the course and submitting your registration information online. More AKT Refresher courses will be added if needed due to high demand. **All Kairos training courses and registration links are listed at [www.mykairos.org/training.html](http://www.mykairos.org/training.html).**

*All posted times are Eastern.*

### Kairos Inside:

[Tue. January 18, 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm](#)

[Thurs. February 10, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm](#)

[Thurs. March 10, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm](#)

### Kairos Outside:

[Sat. January 22, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm](#)

[Sat. February 19, 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm](#)

[Sat. March 19, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm](#)

### Kairos Torch:

[Wed. January 5, 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm](#)

[Sat. January 15, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm](#)

# Advanced Kairos Training Dates & Registration

All [Advanced Kairos Trainings](#) are finalized and registration is now done exclusively online. To register for an AKT, visit the [AKT Registration page on KairosMessenger](#).

- AKT Talladega, AL: Jan. 7-9 (**Kairos Inside**, **Kairos Outside**)
- AKT Richmond, VA: Feb. 4-6 (**Kairos Inside**)
- AKT Indianapolis, IN: Feb. 11-13 (**Kairos Inside**, **Kairos Outside**)
- AKT Kansas City, MO: March 4-6 (**Kairos Inside**)
- AKT Amarillo, TX: April 22-24 (**Kairos Inside** & **Kairos Outside**)
- AKT Denver, CO: May 20-22 (**Kairos Inside**)
- AKT Huntsville, TX: June 3-5 (**Kairos Inside**, **Kairos Outside** & **Kairos Torch**)
- AKT Jacksonville, FL: August 19-21 (**Kairos Inside**, **Kairos Outside** & **Kairos Torch**)
- AKT Columbus, OH: October 21-23 (**Kairos Inside**)
- AKT Waxahachie, TX: November 11-13 (**Kairos Inside**, **Kairos Outside**, & **Kairos Torch**)

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## Leave a Legacy with Kairos

Don't you want Kairos to continue changing lives for many decades after this lifetime? You can help ensure Kairos lasts at least another 45 years by including Kairos in your estate planning.

A great way of ensuring that Kairos will be able to continue expanding and bringing the light of Jesus Christ to those in darkness is to include **Kairos as a full or partial beneficiary in your will.**

### Will You Consider Including Kairos in Your Estate Planning?

If you would like to learn what options are available to add Kairos to your will, or have questions on how to do so, contact your estate attorney or call 407-629-4948, visit [www.kairoslegacy.org](http://www.kairoslegacy.org), or email [legacy@kpmi.org](mailto:legacy@kpmi.org).

## Contact Kairos

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

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To access a wealth of information, tools, videos, forms, prior editions of our newsletters, and more, visit [www.mykairos.org](http://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](http://www.facebook.com/groups/KairosPrisonMinistryInternational).