





# **GOD'S SPECIAL TIME**

Kairos Prison Ministry E-Newsletter

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## **OUR CORE VALUES**

The Kairos Mission tells us what we do. It's our purpose and important that we review our Mission often to stay focused. At the same time, the values we hold close are shared in our Core Values. These Core Values remind us of who we are, what we believe, who we serve, and how we operate as a Christian ministry. They also remind us of the importance of building community through Continuing Ministry.

<u>Kairos Prison Ministry Core Values</u> guide our behavior and actions as a board, staff, and volunteers:

### Lay-led, Christ Centered Ministry

We are Christians who believe in the Holy Trinity and honor and live the teachings of the Bible and our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We conduct the ministry while inviting all to attend as Guests or Participants in Weekends and program specific follow-on activities to build Christian Community.

### **Empowerment while Building Accountability**

While we empower the local volunteers to conduct the ministry, we are accountable to excellence and performance at the highest standards and authority of the ministry. We empower Guests or Participants to be accountable for their lives and be transformed by Jesus Christ.

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### **Continuing Ministry Model to Build Community**

We believe in the importance of enabling relationships to build community, thus our model includes the Weekend experience followed by Guests or Participants gathering regularly for accountability, support, and prayer. The full complement of the well-defined returning model is necessary for the community to prosper.

#### **Trustworthy**

We believe that we must be honest and truthful in our personal conduct as we represent the ministry consistently and with integrity. We are obedient to God in everything we do and obedient to the guidelines of the Kairos ministry programs.

### **Respect and Love**

We believe in respecting each person with dignity while modeling Christ love. We practice 'Listen, Listen, Love, Love.'

### Stewardship

We believe that we must be good stewards of our ministry's programs, funds, and resources, as well as our personal time, talent, and treasures.

With everything we do as Kairos we need to uphold our Core Values. When we operate with our Core Values in mind we keep focused on Christ and serving Him the best we can! Thank you for all you do for Kairos and helping us be the blessed ministry that sees God's miracles and provisions constantly.

P.S. Remember to invite someone to join Kairos!

Blessings, Evelyn Lemly, CEO



# Ensure You Contribute to the Mission of Kairos

To be a part of
Kairos Prison
Ministry, you must
agree to contribute
to further our
organization's
mission. If you are
not familiar with the
Kairos mission it is:

"The mission of the Kairos Prison Ministry is to share the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ 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."



## Order Kairos Banners

Enhance your State and Advisory Council recruiting by ordering predesigned retractable banners. (table top or full height), from kairos.ourproshop.com which includes free shipping on orders over \$50! Discuss these options with your Advisory Council as recruiting is a huge priority. Each Program has a banner and there are general Kairos banners.





# 2024 Kairos Annual Conference

Louisville, Kentucky July 24 - 27, 2024

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The 2024 Kairos Annual Conference will be held July 24 - 27 in Louisville, Kentucky at the Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport. **Registration is open now!** 

**July 24 - 25 will be business meetings** for the Board of Directors, International Council, and State Chairs.

July 25 - 27 will be the Conference, beginning at 5:30 pm Thursday for dinner and the evening general session, ending Saturday at 1:00 pm.

Register early and submit your <u>registration forms</u> no later than June 14.

The <u>Preliminary Schedule for the Annual Conference</u> is available now.

Please review the <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> about the Annual Conference.

Contact the KPMI office at 407-629-4948 with any questions that are not answered in the documents or on the website.



# Participate in the 2024 DISTANCE FOR DELIVERANCE Walkathon

The 2024 **DISTANCE FOR DELIVERANCE** Walkathon is being held between June 7 - 16, and 2-mile walks are being scheduled by Kairos Communities throughout the country.

Take this opportunity to setup a walk for your Advisory Council to raise funds and awareness of the work you are doing in your local community for those impacted by incarceration.

Visit <u>www.DistanceForDeliverance.org</u> today to learn more about how to host a walk and to find a walk near you.

If there is not a walk near you or for your Advisory Council, speak with your Advisory Council leadership and contact <a href="marketing@kpmi.org">marketing@kpmi.org</a> for information about how you can setup and hold a successful walk.



# Order Kairos Decal Stickers

Kairos Decal Stickers are now available on the <u>supply order form</u> in packs of 25 for just \$25!

These static cling decals are perfect to place inside your car or home window and show you are a proud supporter of Kairos Prison Ministry.



# Display a Kairos License Plate Holder

Kairos license plate holders are available on the <u>supply order</u> form for just \$3.50 each. Increase awareness of Kairos every time you park or are at a red light!



## Submit Agape Through PrayerVigils.net

The preferred website

for Kairos prayer vigils is www.prayervigils.net.
You can now send and receive general agape using the site. On the main page there is a big button that says 'click here to upload general Agape.' By clicking it, you can upload agape and everyone who has a Weekend prayer vigil registered will receive your agape.

Alternatively, if you click on a specific Weekend listed, there is a button that says 'click here to upload personal Agape' and when you click on it, you can send agape personalized to a specific group and Weekend and Weekend number.

Please make sure your Weekends are entered on this site so everyone on your team can send out the specific prayervigils.net link to your Weekend vigil and get both prayer and support for your prayer chain, as well as agape.







# Posting Weekends to the Kairos Kalendar

- Visit <u>www.mykairos.org</u> and select "<u>Register Weekend Info</u>" from the menu on the left-hand side of the page. Click "Next" on the next screen.
- You will have three choices, "New Weekend Entry" "Revising Existing Weekend" or "Cancelled." Select the appropriate entry. Enter your name and email address and click "Next."
- Select the appropriate answers from the drop down boxes. This includes Country, State, Advisory Council, Weekend Number, and the Weekend start and end dates. Click the "Next" button at the bottom.
- Enter the Weekend leadership information, including the Weekend Leader,
   Advising Leader, and Observing Leader. If you don't know this information
   you can leave it blank and enter it later as a revision. Click "Next."
- Enter the agape contact information and any prayer requests you would like to include.
- Take a moment to review the accuracy of the data you input before you click "Submit." Pay attention to the dates for your Weekend. If all looks correct, click "Submit."
- Once you click "Submit" your Weekend is not immediately posted to the Kairos Kalendar. Weekend requests are put into a queue to be reviewed by a member of the KPMI staff. If everything is correct, it will usually be added to the Kairos Kalendar within 2 business days.
- As soon as information for your Weekend changes or you learn your Weekend will not take place, those changes must be entered for the Kalendar using the same steps as above. If a registered Weekend is not going to take place and you don't know the new dates, you must cancel the Weekend; in this case you need to enter data up to the Weekend Leader field.





Share with us the ways you overcome obstacles by emailing marketing@kpmi.org so we can share them with the Kairos Family.

- Kairos Inside at Camille Griffin CI in Columbia, SC received a generous donation from Mt. Horeb Church in Lexington, SC.
   The funds are gratefully appreciated and will be put to good use.
- We had our 2nd Reunion which was geared towards fellowship within our community. The Spiritual Director did a beautiful job in showing women how we are all different but as vessels we each have a purpose. Next Reunion we are looking at bringing in our team applications, which we are working with our Spiritual Director so that each lesson is geared to encourage women to serve, and why it's important to be spiritually, emotionally and physically equipped. As a Restart we've lost many who served due to the power of the tongue in breaking each other down. This year has had many challenges but PRAYER and God's timing is guiding the hands of those who whole heartedly want to see this community rise up from the what the enemy took away.

### Order "God's Word Your Journey to Freedom" Bibles

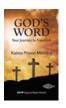
Kairos has partnered with Bible League International to offer Easy-to-Read versions of the Bible specifically for Kairos. Through the supply order form,

these can be ordered in cases of 24 for \$96 per case, just \$4 per Bible!

Your first case of Bibles is free!

Just pay shipping and provide a testimony.

These Bibles are a great way to ensure the impact from a Kairos Weekend continues by giving them to all Participants or Guests and those on Reunions to ensure our Continuing Ministry is strong.



# 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 machineembroidered 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





## What's Holding Up Ezra Orders

- 1. Weekends are not registered on the Kalendar.
  - The Advisory Council Secretary is responsible for scheduling the Weekend on the Kalendar at <a href="www.mykairos.org">www.mykairos.org</a> under the Register the Weekend Info tab. If the Secretary is not available, anyone can register the Weekend.
- 2. The leader is not approved by the State.
  - The Advisory Council Secretary must ensure that Weekend Leaders are approved by the Advisory Council and given to the Advisory Council Chair for State submission.
- 3. The Weekend Leader has already led a Weekend and there is not an approved variance to allow them to lead again.
  - Only the CEO can approve variances. The Advisory Council Chair needs to submit a variance request to the State Chair. The State Chair will submit it to the CEO for final approval.
- 4. The person requesting Ezra is not the same as who is listed on the Kalendar.
  - The Advisory Council Secretary is responsible for updating any changes to a scheduled Weekend on the Kalendar including changes in leadership, team, or dates. Updates can be made at <a href="https://www.mykairos.org">www.mykairos.org</a> under the Register the Weekend Info tab and selecting Revise Existing Weekend. If the Secretary is not available, anyone can update a registered Weekend.
- 5. Previous Leader has not submitted their Leader Report.
  - The Advisory Council is responsible for ensuring that the Leader Report and Excellence Initiative Report are both completed after each Weekend.
- 6. The State Financial Secretary has not approved the Ezra order.
  - All communications for approval go to the elected State Financial Secretary for approval. If the elections have not been entered or updated in the event of a change in Financial Secretary, the communications will not be delivered.

If you have any questions regarding an Ezra order, please email <a href="mailto:EzraOrder@mykairos.org"><u>EzraOrder@mykairos.org</u></a>.



## **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 <u>Kairos Obituaries page</u>.

If there is someone who has passed that should be recognized, please email their obituary to <a href="marketing@kpmi.org">marketing@kpmi.org</a>.

**View all Obituaries** 

## **Kairos Torch 101 Presentations**

Kairos Torch 101 is a broad overview of the Kairos youth program from initial volunteer recruitment to mentoring. It is designed to give new volunteers an understanding of the requirements and key elements of Kairos Torch through the use of many visual and interactive demonstrations. This presentation has proven to be an excellent recruiting tool - inspiring and engaging volunteers to become committed team members and mentors.

Thursday, March 14, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Saturday, April 20, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Thursday, May 23, 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Saturday, June 15, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Thursday, July 18, 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Saturday, August 17, 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Thursday, September 19, 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Saturday, October 19, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Thursday, November 14, 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Saturday, December 14, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm



# Join the Conversation with Kairos on Social Media



Stay in-the know with the updates, activities, testimonies, videos, events, and more on the Kairos Prison Ministry International Facebook page. Like our page today as we strive for 10,000 followers.



#### Kairos is also on Twitter,

follow us to ensure Kairos information is on your newsfeed so you can join the conversation by commenting or sharing with your followers with a retweet.



Subscribe to the Kairos
YouTube Channel to
receive notifications when
there is a new Kairos
video posted.



Follow Kairos on Instagram to view new images and photos and share your own by tagging Kairos in your posts.



## **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 2025. Please pray for each Weekend and consider submitting agape. The full list of <a href="mailto:agape contacts">agape contacts</a> is available. All Weekends can be found on the <a href="Mairos Kalendar">Kairos Kalendar</a> based in KairosMessenger! Remember to register your Weekend at <a href="https://www.kairosmessenger.org/kairosweekend">www.kairosmessenger.org/kairosweekend</a>.

# Instructions for Requesting a Certificate of Insurance

Information needed is the exact legal name of the facility/venue, the address of the facility (not a PO Box), and the dates that Kairos will be using the facility venue. Requests must be made to kimberly@kpmi.org at least 10 business days prior to your event.

Date	State	Advisory Council	Weekend #	Weekend Leader	Agape Email
3/1/24	TX	Kairos Outside Abilene	#12	Gina Lindsey	gina_jody@yahoo.com
3/5/24	SC	Trenton	#3	Douglas Howard Jr.	kj2asc@aim.com
3/6/24	NC	Central CI - Men	#53	Steve Reid	navhr10@gmail.com
3/7/24	Dom. Rep.	La Vega	#2	Rafi Nova Bido	juansantos3023@hotmail.com
3/7/24	LA	Rayburn	#30	Rudolph de Tiege	moonie29@bellsouth.net
3/7/24	MS	Marshall County	#15	Alonzo Hilliard	brentmiller66@gmail.com
3/7/24	NC	NC CI - Women	#46	Kelly Gardner	debthompson5512@gmail.com
3/7/24	NC	Scotland CI	#4	Harold Smith	smithharold@hotmail.com
3/7/24	TN	Western TN SP	#51	Walter Moore	mwiseman75@yahoo.com
3/7/24	TX	Jordan	#50	Wally Mann	whmann@hughes.net
3/7/24	TX	Torres	#44	<b>Howard Grove</b>	rusty.teeter@gmail.com
3/7/24	TX	Vance	#75	Jim Syptak	sypta96@yahoo.com
3/12/24	TX	Connally	#36	John Hutcherson	hutch4545@gmail.com
3/14/24	CA	CA SP Sacramento	#28	Chris Gardner	bonebender11@gmail.com
3/14/24	FL	Charlotte CI	#55	Chip Wehling	chrovianart@gmail.com
3/14/24	FL	Martin Cl	#56	John Janssen	nmcope@att.net
3/14/24	GA	Coastal	#26	Brian Schindler	steven.f.kelly@gmail.com
3/14/24	GA	Valdosta SP	#48	Jorge Tomas	vspannex@gmail.com
3/14/24	NC	Alexander CI	#31	James McLelland	gfpd300@gmail.com
3/14/24	ОН	Lake Erie - LaECI	#41	Brian Lentz	tim@thecorryjournal.com
3/14/24	SC	Perry	#45	Louis Redmond	louis@redmondimaging.com
3/14/24	WV	Huttonsville CC	#34	<b>Robert Collins</b>	bright1976@aol.com
3/15/24	AZ	Kairos Outside Tucson	#34	Tracy Miranda	skcipra@aol.com



# **Upcoming Kairos Weekends Continued**

Date	State	Advisory Council	Weekend #	Weekend Leader	Agape Email
3/19/24	SC	Kershaw	#42	Mike Popejoy	donrhodes1@gmail.com
3/19/24	SC	McCormick	#53	Sandy Hagood	hshutchins109@gmail.com
3/21/24	AK	Wildwood	#14	James Marker	ljkatzenberger@gmail.com
3/21/24	AR	Ouachita River Unit	#29	David Keesee	l.rivas022052@icloud.com
3/21/24	CA	Salinas Valley	#11	Donald Dickey	revcab@sti.net
3/21/24	FL	Century CI	#53	O'Neal Porter	jacqueline_kitts@yahoo.com
3/21/24	FL	Lake Butler RMC - Main	#4	Keith Doty	wllmfolsom@yahoo.com
3/21/24	FL	Union CI	#92	Dan Houser	jaysab18@outlook.com
3/21/24	GA	Pulaski	#51	Suzy Varner	masewell@progressivetel.com
3/21/24	GA	Walker	#23	Don Hopkins	robertalanbarnes@yahoo.com
3/21/24	ОН	Allen/Oakwood - AOCI	#12	Robin Kershner	larry.drain@yahoo.com
3/21/24	ОН	Dayton - DCI	#19	Marcella Churchill	mrchurchill@hotmail.com
3/21/24	TN	Bledsoe County CX	#25	Bobby Kite	prayforit@bellsouth.net
3/21/24	TN	Morgan County CC	#36	Ed Solack	esolack@comcast.net
3/21/24	TX	Estes	#21	Steve McIver	smciver635@aol.com
3/21/24	TX	Huntsville	#35	Clay Hightower	rauljasso@att.net
3/22/24	GA	Atlanta Torch	#6	Allen Craig	allencraigpmi@gmail.com
3/22/24	TN	Kairos Outside Eastern TN	#38	Audrey Henderson	gd719@hotmail.com
3/28/24	TX	Stiles	#42	Carlos Falu	cfalu2000@yahoo.com

### Join the Kairos Daily & Monthly Prayer Times

Prayer is foundational, transformative, and prayer works! We are asking every volunteer to pray for Kairos daily at noon (your time).

Also, a Kairos 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#

# Advanced Kairos Training Dates & Registration

All <u>Advanced Kairos Training registrations</u> are now done exclusively online. To register for an AKT, visit the <u>MyKairos Training page</u> where click the registration link. Ensure all Weekend Leaders attend AKT within 24 months of their Weekend. Deadlines are firm so please plan ahead.

- AKT Amarillo, TX: April 26-28 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside)
- AKT Denver, CO: May 17 19 (Kairos Inside)
- AKT Huntsville, TX: June 21-23 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside, & Kairos Torch)
- AKT Raleigh, NC: July 12-14 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside)
- AKT St. Johns, FL: August 9-11 (Kairos Inside)
- AKT Waxahachie, TX: September 6-8 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside, & Kairos Torch)
- AKT Mississippi Bay, MS: October 4-6 (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside, & Kairos Torch)
- AKT Indianapolis, IN: October 11-13 (Kairos Inside)

# Raise Funds with Facebook Fundraisers

Easily raise funds for your
Kairos Community with
Facebook Fundraisers. It takes
funds to do Kairos year round
through Weekends and
Continuing Ministry.



Facebook Fundraisers help you easily raise these funds. Just set up a Facebook Fundraiser and invite your friends and family to contribute to Kairos. Assistance in setting up your Facebook Fundraiser is available on MyKairos.

P.S. Ensure the Name of your Advisory Council or State are in the title of your Facebook Fundraiser. This ensures the funds go to the correct Community.

#### **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 <a href="https://www.mykairos.org">www.mykairos.org</a>, 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 <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/KairosPrisonMinistryInterna">www.facebook.com/groups/KairosPrisonMinistryInterna</a> tional.