

Kairos E-News #7 - 4/1/12

Current News for Kairos Volunteers - 4/1/12

Executive Director Transition Team Named - Ed Keefer, Chair of the Board of Directors and Lauren Wiebe, President of the International Council (IC) have jointly named the members of the Kairos Prison Ministry International, Inc. (KPMI) Transition Team. The team will be working to recommend an Executive Director to replace John Thompson who announced his resignation on February 14th. The Transition Team is made up of members of the Board of Directors, International Council, Kairos volunteers and outside members. Joe McNemar, Secretary of the Board was selected to chair the team. Steve Gabriel, past President of the IC will serve as Vice-Chair and Carolyn Hebenstreit, former Board member is Secretary.

Other members of the team are IC Vice-President Bill Young and Vice-President of the KPMI Foundation David Farmer. Larry Diana, Bonnie Hambor and Ken Perduyn have expertise in executive recruiting. Vicki Spurgeon and David Ross are expected to add special knowledge of the Kairos program.

The Transition Team is meeting via teleconference to develop the materials needed to solicit the highest quality job applicants. While they do that, they are asking each member of the Kairos community to be in prayer for this process. The process is one of discerning God's will for the ministry and for help to discover his will with respect to the next Executive Director.

KPMI Board of Director Meeting Minutes - The KPMI Board of Director's Meeting minutes are posted on the website. They are available for any interested Kairos volunteer to review. They are stored in a secure area of the website; however, there is a form for requesting the username and password. Real easy, just request one and it will be sent to you.

Kairos Outside Excellence Initiative Procedures and Checklist Update - Now that the new 2012 Kairos Outside Program Manual is the corresponding Excellence Initiative Procedures and Checklist have been updated as well. Both are available on the www.MyKairos.org website under Downloads - Kairos Outside.

The Latest Video - Kairos Cookies - Our newest video is an amazing testimonial of the power of Kairos cookies. 2 minutes and 36 seconds of your life that you won't regret spending. Check it out in the Newsroom - <http://www.mykairos.org/news.html>

Spring 2012 Newsletter - The latest Kairos Prison Ministry Newsletter is posted on the MyKairos.org website. Look under Newsroom.

Changes to Supply Ordering - We are currently making changes to our shipping and ordering process. As of now Janet will be taking your phone orders and you can send your e-mail orders to Christina Bermudez at Christina@kpmi.org. If you fax (407-629-2668) an order please call (407-629-4948) to confirm it was received.

2012 Summer Conference Information! - 2012 Kairos Prison Ministry International Summer Conference, July 24-28, 2012 Marriott Airport Hotel, St. Louis, MO

The tentative schedule is available on the website. Click on the "Info for 2012 Summer Conference" link or go to http://www.mykairos.org/conference_registration.html

Online Registration Information will be coming soon.

Facebook - If your Advisory Council, Area Committee or State Chapter Committee has a facebook page, let us know using the Update your Ministry Map link and we'll add you to the Links page.

Here's the link to the KPMI Facebook Group:

<http://www.facebook.com/messages/1205564166#!/groups/57168017819/>

Committee Minutes - The www.MyKairos.org website has space for you to post your Board and/or IC Committee Meeting minutes. The section of the website is secure, although the password is available to all volunteers who request it. This is a great way to ensure that the minutes are backed up and also available to all interested Kairos volunteers.

Latest Additions to the Website - There is a new template Letter For Guest Prior To Weekend in Downloads - Kairos Outside - Weekend Downloads.

Choir Games Includes Kairos Grads - Cincinnati, Ohio, is hosting the International Choir Games this summer. It is a BIG cultural event here, and a great honor to be accepted to compete. One of the choirs that will compete is composed of men incarcerated inside Warren Correctional Institution. While the choir is not a Kairos event, a lot of the men are Kairos Grads. Tyrone Boles, one of those interviewed, was at my table last November.

<http://www.onntv.com/content/stories/2012/03/29/story-world-choir-games-promo.html>

Please pray for this event, particularly that it will raise awareness in this region that prisoners are real people capable of amazing change.

Share the E-News - Not everyone is subscribed to the Kairos E-News. Share this information with your State Chapter Committee, Area Committee, Advisory Council and your community. If you missed a copy of the Kairos E-News and want to get caught up, got to the MyKairos.org website, click on Newsroom, then Kairos E-News. Archived copies are there for you to download and read.

E-News Stats as of 4/1/12 - 618 Subscribers (+ 121), 192 Issues downloaded last month, 1026 Issues downloaded since October 1, 2011.

An Experiment in Freedom of the Press - We have added an electronic form so that you may contribute to the Kairos E-News. Please keep in mind the following guidelines:

1. Keep the story short.
2. Keep it relevant to as many Kairos volunteers as possible.
3. Get to the point. Generally, e-mails are much shorter than a novel.
4. You'll get extra style points for spelling and grammar!

Here's the link: http://www.mykairos.org/news_eneews.html

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The Communications Improvement Ad-hoc Committee

