

The Latest News from Kairos of Delaware

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Kairos Outside #7 Weekend

It wasn't in God's time.

As difficult as it was, it became necessary to postpone our Kairos Outside #7 Weekend scheduled for this month. It was particularly disheartening after having held three consecutive successful weekends post-pandemic.

#7 Weekend will now be held November 15-17, 2024. (See more on page 3.)

Kairos Outside 2024 Reunion Schedule

Save the Dates!

May 04 . August 17 . November 23

Saturdays . 10:00a - Noon

Conley's United Methodist Church 33106 Jolyn's Way, Lewes DE 19958

Kairos Outside Reunions are open to all former Guests, their spouses, and family, potential Guests, team members and volunteers.

Reunions give the Kairos Outside community an opportunity to meet and socialize, offering consistent exposure in sharing their lives with others; thus, the support system is strengthened and broadened for all Guests.

Please make note of the renion dates and plan to be with us!

Be An Angel

If you would like to be a part of the upcoming Kairos Outside Weekend but unable serve on team, volunteer as an Angel--it's a vital service, working behind the scenes to make the weekend happen and at your convenience.

Kairos Outside's next Weekend is November 15-17, 2024. Contact Fran Barnes.



Program Updates

A brief recap of each program



KAIROS INSIDE:

Sussex Correctional Institute (men)

We have finally been able to set up a meeting with the Deputy Warden and the Chaplin at SCI for April 18 at 1:00pm. We will talk about Continuing Ministry and a possible restart. Please keep this event in your prayers for a good outcome for Kairos at SCI.

https://tinyurl.com/kairosInsideMinistry

Baylor Women's Correctional Institution

https://tinyurl.com/Baylor-Womens



KAIROS OUTSIDE:

(Women affected by Incarceration)

Our next Weekend will be held November 15-17, 2024 at Virden Retreat Center in Lewes. Please keep this in your prayers so that we have the guests and team member we need to go forward with this weekend. <u>Team applications</u> are being accepted and may be mailed to: P.O Box 187, Lewes, DE 19958.

https://tinyurl.com/KairosOutsideMinistry

KAIROS TORCH:



(Incarcerated Youth)

The program with Kairos Torch is on hold at this point due to other things on the calendar. Hopefully, we can set up some meetings later this year. https://tinyurl.com/KairosTorchMinistry

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the

will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-18

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Message from the Delaware State Chapter Chair

Kairos Prison Ministry International 2024 Annual Conference is scheduled for July, in Louisville KY. General Session begins on the 25th. Please consider attending; it is a worthwhile and informative conference.

There will be workshops to learn more about this ministry, singing, praising the Lord and testimonies that will change your lives. I pray all of you were able to celebrate our Risen Lord this Easter. Let's remember to walk with Him daily. It's always time to pray. Please include Kairos Prison Ministries International (KPMI) in your daily prayers. Pray for the Department of Corrections, that they will see the value in this ministry. Recidivism rates are greatly reduced in every facility KPMI has an active program. Pray for the facilities in Delaware by name and the juvenile facilities. Pray for the Kairos Inside graduates and the residents who need KI. Pray for the chaplains and corrections officers in the facilities. Ask God to hear our prayers.

Kairos was represented at the Women's Faith Filled Conference in March in Salisbury. Marie

Van Der Wall and Susan Davis said it was successful and they enjoyed talking with so many women about Kairos.

Marie Van Der Wall

State Chapter Committee Chair Kairos of Delaware mavanderwall@gmail.com



"And I will do whatever you ask in my name so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask me for anything in my name and I will do it." John 14: 13-14

Kairos Prayer Opportunities

Kairos Outside of Delmarva Prayer Line 607-374-1020, code 311113

Kairos Outside of Delmarva holds a Prayer Line call led by volunteer, Victoria Lee-Bland, Thursday evenings at 7:00p. All are invited.

KPMI holds a short prayer conference call the first day of each month:

301-715-8592. Meeting ID: 320 251 8737#, Passcode: 215540#

We encourage all to set their phone alarms for noon daily to set aside a few minutes to pray for Kairos Prison Ministry programs. Prayer works!

Kairos Recruiting Update

We have finally been able to set up a meeting with the Deputy Warden and the Chaplin at Sussex Correctional Institution for April 18 at 1:00pm. We will talk about Continuing Ministry and a possible restart. Please keep this event in your prayers for a good outcome for Kairos at SCI.

Kairos Outside is scheduled for Weekend #7 on Nov 15 - 17 at the Virden Center in Lewes. Also keep this in your prayers so that we get the guests we need with all the information about their loved ones and have the team we need to go forward with this weekend.

Still on hold with Kairos Torch due to other things on the calendar.

Eastern Correctional Institution has offered the opportunity for a weekend there this Fall. The facility has two sides that are mirror images of each other and the two do not mix. Will have to do one weekend a year in each side. Will start small, 4 tables with 24 residents so that we can do everything possible to make it a success. We definitely need your prayer for this endeavor since we do not want to interfere with the effort at Sussex CI. We have an organizational meeting set up for Apr 13 at Union Methodist Church in Bridgeville at 9:00am. Need a good turnout so we can get some things set like training dates and places. Will need a team of about 30 folks so we can handle the job of Cha for the tables since so far we do not know if any past Kairos graduates are housed at ECI. Expect to use their audio equipment with our own guitars. Need two guitars, one drum box and possibly a singer other than the guitar players. Small space so do not want to blow them out. There is an Econo Lodge right outside of the prison and they have offered a good rate to stay there for the Thur, Fri and Sat nights we need for the weekend. Training will be held somewhere as central as we can get to best suit all possible team members.

Alec Thomson

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Upcoming Kairos Outside Weekend

Weekend #7 - November 15-17, 2024

Team Formation Schedule:

September 14, September 21, October 05, October 19, November 02

(Core team only: 8/31)

If you feel called to serve in this rewarding ministry, please contact

Anne Watson-Waples

Team Application

Volunteer Opportunities

Many people do not have the time to invest in being a team member but really want to do something to support this awesome ministry. There are many valuable ways to stay involved in Kairos Prison Ministry--and they are all needed!

PRAYER:

All Kairos Weekends are covered in prayer. You can be a part of that effort by keeping Kairos in your prayers Pray every day at noon (easily accomplished by setting your cell phone alarm), as well as our prayer conference calls (pg 4). Sign up for our prayer vigil.

DONATE:

All Kairos programs (Inside, Outside and Torch) must raise support for all meals and other expenses for the 2-4 day Weekend, so all contributions are greatly appreciated. Online donating is available at Kairosofde.org/donate or mail to:

P.O. Box 187, Lewes DE 19958.

ANGEL:

AC or SCC

Kairos Outside "Angels" work behind the scenes on the Weekend for several hours or provide transportations for guests, as well as attend closing. Angels are special and necessary volunteers! (See <u>application</u>.)

ADVISORY COUNCILS & STATE CHAPTER COMMITTEE:

Several positions are available on advisory councils and the state chapter committee. They are jobs that can be done at your convenience and require only monthly meeting attendance--and they are imperative to running Kairos.

Advisory Councils & State Chapter Committee-What Do They Do Anyway?

Advisory Council (AC)

Each program at a facility has an Advisory Council. The AC is a body of electd volunteers in a local Kairos community who serve in leadership roles for the benefit of the health and direction of the ministry, and is responsible to oversee and support their Weekends. Meetings are held monthly or bimonthly and generally kept to one hour. AC chairs report to and are guided by the SCC.

State Chapter Commitee (SCC)

Each state has a State Chapter Committee. The SCC is the communications link from National to state,. Meetings are held every two months (1-2 hours) an consists of 12 elected volunteer positions. An efficient flow of information is provided between AC Chairs and the SCC.

AC & SCC Contacts:

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Resources

KairosPrisonMinistry.org - for general public
MyKairos.org - for volunteers
KairosofDe.org - Delaware's Kairos website
KairosofDe.org/resources/non-kairos-resourcesValuable non-Kairos resources

Yes--I am interested in learning more about: Mail to: Kairos Prison Ministry, P.O. Box 187, Lewes DE 19958

Kairos Outside			
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Kairos Inside/Baylor		Name	
Angel Volunteer		Address	

Phone ______eMail

Each of you should use whatever gifts you have received to serve others as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms
- 1 Peter 4:10

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