

# KAIROS Prison Ministry

*"We came as racists and were angry,*

*needs your support*

*upset and in pain.*

*through donations,*

*We have no more sorrow, pain,*

*commitment*

*heartache or racism.*

*and prayer,*

*We're taking away love,*

*to sponsor 42 inmates,*

*peace of mind*

*for three days*

*and joy.*

*in a short course on Christianity.*

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Family Table Sponsorship

## Sponsor Information/Team Contact

TEAM MEMBER: Please fill out the information below for acknowledgment of donation and receipt of Table Family letter. Return with donation to Leader or team agape person.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sponsor's Name/Group

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone

\_\_\_\_\_  
KAIROS Team Member Contact

Wishes to sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ seats at \$150 ea.

Wishes to help with \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Total donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Sponsor wishes to remain anonymous.

CONTACT will personally deliver letter.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Prison Unit

\_\_\_\_\_  
Course Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Amazing Grace!

*"We were a hungry group of bandits,*

*How sweet the sound*

*outlaws looking for freebies,*

*that saved a wretch*

*trying to find the 'catch' of the game.*

*like me!*

*We found the catch;*

*I once was lost,*

*We were caught*

*but now am found;*

*by the fishermen*

*was blind,*

*of God!"*

*but now I see!*

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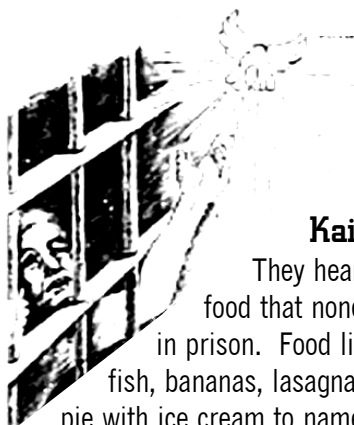


"I was in prison and you visited me."  
Matthew 25:36

For three days, 42 prisoners will gather at tables for a short course in Christianity. Each of the seven tables is guided by three Kairos team members, two of which are lay persons and one is clergy. Each nine-person group soon takes on the characteristics of a sharing family. For many prisoners this will be their first experience in a listening, loving family.

### **Kairos is an ecumenical, lay-run Christian prison ministry.**

The primary objective of the 3-Day Short Course is to prepare specifically selected Residents (prisoners) for the ongoing Christian community of Kairos in the prison. Of great importance, KAIROS is a continuing ministry. Besides the 3-Day Short Course held twice a year, there is also a 2-Day mini-retreat held twice a year for all Kairos Residents in the prison. Kairos Team members and Kairos Residents gather monthly, usually on a Saturday, for a Resident-led program. On a weekly basis, Kairos Residents meet in a quiet place in Prayer and Share groups led by Resident leaders and supported by outside Kairos volunteers.



### **Why do inmates in a maximum security prison participate in Kairos?**

They hear stories about food; food that none have had since being in prison. Food like hamburgers, fried fish, bananas, lasagna and homemade apple pie with ice cream to name a few. During the 3-Day Short Course in many state prisons, two meals a day are prepared, brought into the prison and served by team members to the Residents.

### **What is the impact of this ministry?**

Even though prison sentences are long, most inmates will be returned to society. About 93 percent of all inmates will some day be released. National and state funds have been primarily used to build and operate prisons. There has been very little money for rehabilitating prison inmates.

For a variety of reasons, 55 to 80 percent will return to prison again. Studies carried out in South Carolina, Florida, Texas, Colorado and California indicate a dramatic reduction in the recidivism rate among those residents who have experienced Kairos.

### **Kairos needs your help to grow.**

Kairos is mostly financed by the people who volunteer their time to work on teams. Only a very small staff administers Kairos, both nationally and internationally. Kairos serves in men's and women's prisons, in a new program serving youthful offenders and a program for the families of those in prison. Kairos is now being asked by prisons to expand all of its programs. We need your financial support to continue in the present prisons and to meet the calls to expand which now include juvenile corrections.

Your support will enable others to say as one graduate did:

*"I want to show you how Christ touched me. I found love like I haven't had for a long time. With the help of God and the Holy Spirit and the help of all my brothers, I think I can do it. I need your support."*



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### **How you can support Kairos!**

Kairos needs individuals, groups and churches to sponsor Residents at Table Families during the 3-Day Short Course.

**\$150 sponsors one resident at a Table Family for the 3-Day Short Course.**

In addition, your donation provides ongoing Christian contact from team members!

Kairos needs your PRAYERS as well as your financial support! Please pray for the Table Family you are supporting and pray for the team members who will be leading the Table Family.

As a sponsor, you will receive a letter describing the Table Family's growth and the impact of the 3-Day Short Course on its members.

Please prayerfully consider joining Kairos as a Table Family Sponsor.

### **Sponsorship Opportunities**

- Sponsoring \_\_\_\_\_ Table Family Member(s) at \$150 each.
- By contributing \$\_\_\_\_\_ toward a Table Family.

Total donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Your Kairos contact for this 3-Day Short Course is:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone

*\*At this printing, the artist, Pablo Castillo, has been released. Both he and his family have been baptized. He has been employed as a full-time counselor and has served on KAIROS Teams.*

God Bless you for your support of this ministry.