

Kairos Prison Ministry WI Call to Prayer

One Ministry, Three Programs



Kairos Inside

Kairos Inside is a prison ministry with a mission to develop a Christian community on the inside of a prison. It all begins with a 3 1/2 day weekend...



Kairos Outside

Spouses, parents and relatives of those in prison often "do time" right along with their loved ones. Kairos Outside lets them know they are not alone.



Kairos Torch

Kairos Torch is a mentoring program for incarcerated youth, ages 25 and under. The mission is to engage their reasoning skills to help them make better life choices.

"Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ." Col 1:28

This is a new year so I thought we needed a new look. 😊

God's Word is so wise and helpful for those who choose to listen and learn from it. I am counting on you to continue to spread the word about how Christ is working through Kairos Prison Ministry to reach those in prison and their families so that lives can change in this mission field. As Christians we know we are to be His hands and feet to reach those who need grace and mercy. We are called to teach others about God's love for them through our actions that are to be the same actions that Jesus did in the Bible. This can have a profound effect on a person's heart when they are loved unconditionally. Those who are incarcerated and their loved ones tend to feel unworthy, unloved, unwanted and without hope. When we can team up and show them what God sees in them and how much we care for them as Christ would, the impact is huge!

If you find that you do not know enough about Kairos Prison Ministry, please reach out to me (**Carlene Griffith** at carlenegrif@gmail.com or 920-810-9242) and either myself or someone else who is knowledgeable can be available to help you. I can also find others or myself to come speak at any Christian function or Christian church to help spread the word.

I know some of you may have forgotten the need for this ministry. Remember Christ forgave us of our sins and showed us mercy and has called us to do the same for all who have made bad choices in their lives. Wouldn't it be great if we can reach them while inside to change their hearts and way of thinking so they will become productive citizens and not end up back in the system where most of the tax money in this state is going? **More importantly though, to introduce them to the Lord God and Father who loves them and wants to help them.**

Won't you consider praying about how you can contribute to the success of this ministry?



Testimonies

I highly encourage you to search <https://kairosprisonministry.org/testimonies/> Here you will find awesome stories of how this ministry has transformed lives of those who had no hope. Also there are videos from past Annual Conferences that are quite moving.



There is so much to be thankful for as we see Christ at work in this ministry! In the state of WI we are thankful for:

- The successful elections that happened at the beginning of the year so there are some new people added to the State Committee and the Advisory Councils.
- The **9th Kairos Outside Weekend** that will be held at **Spencer Lake Christian Center on September 26-28, 2025.**
- The ability to send another volunteer to Advanced Kairos Training soon.
- The guidance given to the Weekend Leader in the search for volunteers to be on the Weekend team.
- The great attendance that happened for a Kairos Outside game day and for the year's first reunion. Fun was had by all. Hopefully more of you can attend.
- The perseverance of the Kairos Inside Advisory Council for Ellsworth in building a great relationship with the Chaplain and Warden as they start some serious plans for recruiting and fundraising.
- The rebuilding or remodeling of the International Office in DeBary, FL after hurricane Milton which is now complete.



Prayer Requests

Just a reminder that the power of prayer is extremely powerful and your prayers are why we have more to praise God for than what I listed above. So please help us pray for:

- The staffing issues that plague so many institutions in our country and around the world.
- The church doors to open for well informed volunteers to speak to the masses about this ministry.
- The guidance of the State Committee and the Advisory Councils to make decisions that the Lord would want us to make.
- Volunteers to come forward to help in open positions on the Advisory Councils and on the Kairos Outside Team.
- The Lord to lead women whose lives have been impacted by incarceration to register as guests for the next Kairos Outside Weekend.
- The funds to come in soon so that we can pay for a booth at Lifest in Oshkosh.
- The health and safety of our volunteers as they minister to those people who are in need.



I know some of you may be getting a nudge from God to help with Kairos Prison Ministry but you think you are not qualified or know enough to help? Good news! We can have you trained and there are mentors to help you along the way. Here is a list of who you can contact to volunteer and the positions that need to be filled in order to help the Advisory Councils to operate properly:

Kairos Outside of Eastern WI contact **Patte Evans** (patteevans@gmail.com or 920-277-6498)

Open positions: Fundraising/Sponsorship Coordinator

Data Coordinator

Communications Coordinator

Kairos Inside of Ellsworth contact **Mary Wilson** (marywilson@ourjourneychurch.com or 262-989-4048)

Open positions: Fundraising/Sponsorship Coordinator

Agape Coordinator

Clergy/Spiritual Director

Continuing Ministry Coordinator

Communications Coordinator

Kairos State Committee contact **Carlene Griffith** (carlenegrif@gmail.com or 920-810-9242)

Open positions: Fundraising/Sponsorship Coordinator, Recruiting Coordinator and Spiritual Director/Clergy

Another way to volunteer in this amazing ministry, is to reach out to:

Barb Williams (barbwilliams1025@yahoo.com or 920-819-1912) to volunteer to be a part of the Kairos Outside #9 Weekend Team or

Kati Augst (katmoses539@gmail.com or 863-657-0101) to refer guests to attend the KO#9 Weekend.



KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY INTERNATIONAL is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization (EIN# 59-1970458). All donations are tax deductible in full or in part.

We need help with expenses to continue to send Prisoner to Prisoner devotionals to 5 institutions, to fund a booth at Lifest and to send delegates to the Annual Conference to be held in GA this July. Also our KO#9 Weekend is free to those who volunteer and attend and that happens when gracious people donate to this ministry. Thank You!!

Here are the ways in which you can give whatever the Lord leads you to give:

- Go online to <https://givebutter.com/kairosprisonministry> and make a note that you designate your funds to WI and mention which Advisory Council you want the funds to go to or just state it is for the State Committee.
- You can purchase **Kwik Trip gift cards** from **Pastor Brenda Jahns**. You can reach her at **920-572-0970** to get them. A certain percentage that is spent will go to **Kairos WI State Chapter Committee**
- You can contact **Kris Kruzicki** at **920-676-4721** to send empty or expired printer ink cartridges and new or gently used tennis shoes to earn money for the **Kairos Outside Advisory Council**. Flyers attached if you want your church to help.
- If you want to do things the old-fashioned way, you can send a **check** or **money order** to **Kairos Prison Ministry PO Box 182, Nashotah, WI 53058** and **be sure to notate** in the memo which council or state committee that you would like the funds to go to.



If you want to know what we believe and stand for ... We in Kairos believe:

The people of Kairos are called by God to share the love of Christ with those impacted by incarceration. Kairos encourages believers from a variety of Christian traditions to be volunteers in this Christ-filled ministry.

Kairos programs offer to prison residents, their families, and those who work with them, the opportunity to receive God's forgiveness through faith in Jesus Christ, and to grow in their faith and servant hood in Christian community.

We stand on the common ground of the following elements of faith:

The Bible is God's authoritative and inspired word for our faith and our lives.

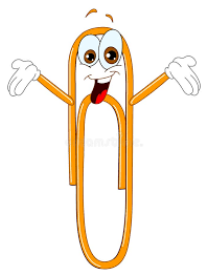
In the Trinity of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

In the deity, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Friendship with God is a free gift, for God so loved the world that He gave His one and only son so that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

The love of Jesus Christ motivates His followers to provide food for the hungry, drink to the thirsty, welcome to the stranger, clothes for the naked and visits to the sick and those in prison.

In sharing the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ with all incarcerated individuals, their families and to those who work with them inside and outside the correctional institution.



Attachments

Please be sure to open the files I have attached to this mailing which may be of help in getting information, referring guests and volunteering.



The next **State Committee** meeting is **March 1st** via **Zoom** at **10:30AM**. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please contact me for the link to attend. The next **Kairos Outside of Eastern WI Advisory Council** will meet at **St Mark's Lutheran church** in **Neenah** on **Feb 11th** at **4:29 PM**. Please reach out to **Patte Evans** above for any additional information. The next **Kairos Inside of Ellsworth Advisory Council** meeting is **Feb 20th** via **zoom**. Connect with **Mary Wilson** above to get the zoom link. Please know you are all invited to attend these meetings without having to hold a position but to learn more about what we are doing.

Your prayers and support are greatly appreciated!!