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July 23-25

Orlando, FL

Humble Obedience Colossians 3:23-24

The Kairos Vision, Mission, Core Values and Statement of Faith should guide and drive our goals and plans every step of the way. The basis for being guided in this way rests in surrounding EVERYTHING we do in prayer and with a spiritual focus, seeking God's guidance with humility and in obedience.

Dear Kairos Family and Friends-

Greetings to all of you in the name of our Risen Savior! Happy Easter and Happy Spring! By the time you read this, we are immersed in our Spring Weekends, with Miami and New Castle's completed already. And how awesome to attend both of their Closing ceremonies and hear, firsthand, of God's amazing grace in changing hearts and transforming lives. His presence was profound at both facilities! See page 3 for a beautiful testimony from Stacy Mahan, wife of Doyle Mahan, New Castle #29 Weekend Leader. (Leaders and team members - - please think about submitting articles or personal testimonies as the Weekends progress.)

I would like to share my own bit of personal testimony - evidence of how God brings a person full circle sometimes in orchestrating our lives. I was SO pleasantly surprised to see a former student of mine from Vincennes University, Eric Skinner, at the New Castle closing. Eric's dad, Albert, was a part of the team! I hadn't seen Eric in 18 years but we reconnected right away. What a blessing to meet both of Eric's parents and to see their involvement in this amazing ministry!

And as we keep striving to serve with excellence, I invite all of you to be a part of our Kairos Town Hall at our State Meeting on May 9th. We hope to have an open, honest forum about our policies that are in place, why it's important to honor the Kairos program, take time to celebrate our accomplishments, and continue to honor God with humble obedience. Please contact me if you have specific things you would like to discuss. And please - invite any of your Council members and volunteers to attend. This meeting is for everyone!!

Finally - I just want to share that our friend and colleague, David Bursten, who had served as the DOC Director of Community Engagement, has left that position and will be working with the Indiana Gaming Commission. We are grateful to Mr. Bursten for his years walking beside the Kairos leadership, helping us with our DOC connections, and working with us to further the ministry. We will miss him and his input, but we pray for God's blessings on him in his new endeavors.

Keep looking up and remember to shine with **A Heart to Serve in Humble Obedience.**

With love and prayers - Dottie Stanfill, State Chair



Halfhearted obedience breeds quiet compromise.

UPLIFTING WORDS

from Michael Carter -State Spiritual Director -

Why We Go Back to the Cross

[Click Here to View](#)
A Message from Michael



Has God called you away from pridefulness and disobedience during this Lenten season? Rejoice! He is risen and He calls you to Himself - daily!

Please keep our State Chapter Committee in prayer:

State Chair:
Dottie Stanfill

Vice Chair:
April Haskett

Secretary:
Sarah Holwager

Treasurer:
Kirk Hunter

Asst. Treasurer: Larry Larew

Financial Secretary:
Matt McFarland
Asst.: Neil Rissler

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Denise Walker
Darrell Whinnery

Spiritual Director/Coordinator:
Michael Carter

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Agape Chair:
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Nancy Trammell

Advisory Council Training Coordinator:
Nancy Trammell

Communications Coordinator:
Kara Jones

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Ginny Carter

KAIROS KUDOS



KUDOS

KU-DOS/KOO DOS/ (noun)

Praise and honor received for an achievement; compliments or congratulations.

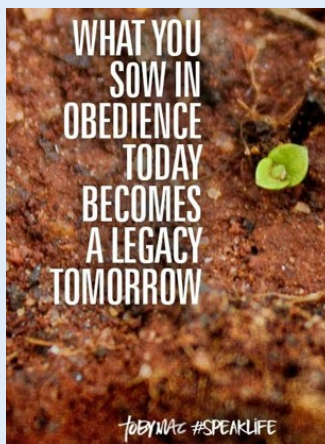
Crystal Brooks (Indiana Women's Prison)

Kudos to Crystal Brooks for sharing about Kairos Prison Ministry at an upcoming clergy conference! Recruiting clergy is a huge need across all of our communities, and we are so grateful for Crystal stepping up and being willing to share the mission and invite others to get involved. Thank you, Crystal, for taking initiative and helping open doors for Kairos!

WELCOME OUR NEW AT-LARGE MEMBER



Ginny Carter—Rockville Indiana State Committee Member-at-Large



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#



KAIROS INSIDE, IS IT WORTH ALL THE EFFORT?

By Stacy Mahan

From March 26–29, 2026, my husband, Doyle Mahan, had the privilege of serving as the leader for Kairos #29 at the New Castle Correctional Facility. Watching this weekend come together was both humbling and inspiring.

What many never see is the extraordinary effort behind the scenes. For months leading up to the four-day event, a dedicated team of volunteers gave countless hours to preparation and planning. From organizing roles and coordinating speakers, to pairing volunteers with inmates, arranging lodging, learning the Kairos EZRA computer system, promoting the prayer vigil, connecting prayer chain links (over 6,000 for this weekend), attending fundraisers, and preparing reams of printed materials, every detail was thoughtfully and prayerfully considered.

Six training Saturdays over three months laid the foundation for what would become a life-changing weekend for both volunteers and inside participants. For the training weekends, I also got involved when I volunteered to coordinate, alongside other wives, to serve breakfast and lunch and lots of coffee for our Kairos volunteers! It was great getting to know the volunteers, seeing their hearts for this ministry, and hearing their shared testimonies.

The preparations during this journey required sacrifice. There were late nights, long hours, and it called for time spent away from family and daily responsibilities. At times it was exhausting, even overwhelming. And yet, every moment proved to be deeply worthwhile.

It was worth it to hear the voices of Kairos graduates during their closing ceremony, sharing how profoundly the weekend had impacted their lives. It was worth it to witness volunteers reflecting on the friendships gained and blessings they received through the experience. Most of all, it was worth it to see hearts transformed; men making the decision to follow Jesus, often for the very first time.

All of this happened because a group of individuals chose to show up.

They showed up with compassion, with prayer, and with a willingness to share God's love in simple but powerful ways through conversation, testimony, prayer chains, and cookies. So many cookies!



Kairos is a remarkable ministry, and I am incredibly proud of Doyle and the 35 men who served alongside him this weekend. Their commitment made a lasting impact inside those prison walls. I am equally grateful for the families who supported them, who said “yes” to the time, energy, and sacrifice required to plant seeds for God’s kingdom.

In the end, it is clear this work matters. From this wife’s perspective, it will always be worth the effort.

Doyle Mahan sharing a few words at a Kairos fundraiser in March.



Doyle Mahan preparing for a training Saturday, late into a Friday evening in January.



The volunteers of Kairos #29 at NCCF, sharing weekend experiences after the closing ceremony.



Volunteer wives attending the Kairos #29 closing ceremony at NCCF (Melissa Helm and Stacy Mahan)

UPCOMING TRAINING & EVENTS/MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

PLEASE BE SURE TO REGISTER AND ATTEND THE TRAININGS THAT PERTAIN TO YOU!!!



Upcoming Weekend Prayer Time

Join Michael Carter, State Spiritual Director, and Dottie Stanfill, State Chair, for a special time of prayer for upcoming Weekends and Leaders.

All Team members and Council members are welcome.

Prayer times will be on April 12 and May 10 at 7:00 pm ET.

Here's the [Zoom link](#)

Monthly Fundraising Zoom Calls:

1st Tuesday of Every Month, 7:00 pm EST

[Zoom Link](#)

Recruitment Zoom Calls 2026

3rd Wednesday of Every Month, 7:00-9:00 pm

[Zoom Link](#)

50th Anniversary 2026 Kairos Annual Conference

July 23-25, 2026

Double Tree Orlando
Orlando, Florida

See **page 5** of this newsletter for more information!

Indiana State Fundraising/Recruitment Chicken Noodle Dinner

Saturday, August 8, 2026
5:00 pm

Connected Church
3575 North Prow Road
Bloomington, IN

Advanced Kairos Training in Indianapolis

October 16-18, 2026

Space limited to 33 attendees,
please register early!

Wear the Mission

Support Kairos • Celebrate 50 Years of Changing Hearts

Kairos of Indiana 50th Anniversary Shirt

Support Kairos of Indiana while celebrating Kairos Prison Ministry International's 50 Year Anniversary

Wearing Kairos merchandise is a great way to start conversations, share the mission, and support recruitment efforts.

SUGGESTED DONATION
\$30 per Shirt

Sizes Available: Small - 3XL

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"Use Where Needed Most"



To place your order, contact:

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317-727-3704

Candielady@aol.com

Thank you for supporting Kairos
Prison Ministry and helping us recruit
and grow our ministry.



Shirt pickup:

Kairos of Indiana State Meeting
May 9 -
St. Andrews Church,
Indianapolis

PLEASE JOIN US FOR



Fundraiser & Recruitment Dinner and Desert Auction

Saturday, June 13, 2026 at 5:30 pm

Indiana Women's Prison Council
For KAIROS

Southport UMC
1947 East Southport Road
Indianapolis, IN 46227

TICKETS INCLUDE
Elegant Chicken & Wild Rice
Vegetables, Salad, and Beverage
Music and Informative Speakers

Ticket donation of \$15 each or two for \$25 support the
Kairos Ministry at Indiana Women's Prison. Contact
Paul Lucas 317.319.5507 to reserve your dinner.
Estimated Fair Market Value \$7.50 per ticket.



PROGRAMS COMMITTEE UPDATE

Annual Plan

Kairos Advisory Council Operating Procedures (page 28) states: Each Advisory Council should have an annual plan that is tied to their budget and includes a goal and plan for recruitment, leadership track, fundraising, and ensuring the programs are being carried out with excellence. How is your Council doing in the areas of recruitment, leadership track, fundraising, and ensuring your program is being carried out with excellence? Does your annual plan address the areas that need improvement?

The time between our Spring and Fall weekends this year will be a great time to review (or create) your annual plan. With the Excellence Initiative data from the most recent weekend, your Council can craft a plan that will ensure your program is being carried out with excellence. And who doesn't want that?

Your program committee member can help you with your plan, just reach out and let them know.

The communities and associated programs committee members are as follows:

Branchville	Karen Byrer	byrerkaren@gmail.com
Edinburg	Pat Sheehan	sheehanp@weihe.net
Heritage Trail	Denise Walker	denise217@msn.com
Indiana State Prison	Darrell Whinnery	kairos.darrell@outlook.com
Indiana Women's Prison	Karen Byrer	
KOCI	Joanie Simmons	joanie23simmons@yahoo.com
KONI	Joanie Simmons	
KOSI	Joanie Simmons	
Logansport Torch	Matt Tuxhorn	matt.tux@gmail.com
Miami	Matt McFarland	mcfarland.matt57@gmail.com
New Castle	Pat Sheehan	
Pendleton CIF	Pat Sheehan	
Pendleton Men	Pat Sheehan	
Pendleton Torch	Matt Tuxhorn	
Plainfield	Pat Sheehan	
Putnamville	Pat Sheehan	
Rockville	Karen Byrer	
Wabash Valley	Karen Byrer	
Westville	Kirk Hunter	kairos.kirk@gmail.com



(left to right) Mary Wilson, Dottie Stanfill, and Alison Campbell. Mary and Alison will be weekend observers for Kairos #37 as they learn and get ready to start Kairos inside in Wisconsin!



God knows how to lift the humble at the right time; let His presence steady you today - and wait.

STATE CHAPTER MEETING - TOWN HALL

State Chapter Meeting – Town Hall

May 9, 2026 - 10:00 AM -

St. Andrews Lutheran Church
6118 Crawfordsville Rd., Indianapolis

The morning session of our May State Chapter Meeting will include a Town Hall where we come together as a Kairos family to reconnect to the vision, build alignment, and take ownership of the work God has given us as we continue to serve with excellence. This forum will provide an opportunity for transparency, accountability, and strengthening our Kairos culture and family. We will revisit the Kairos vision and mission, share tools and updates, celebrate wins, and work together to reduce hidden misalignments so we can move forward unified in purpose.

We encourage **all** volunteers to attend and be part of the conversation as we continue Changing Hearts, Transforming Lives, and Impacting the World. **Please get involved!**

If you have specific topics you wish to be addressed, please submit to Dottie Stanfill, State Chair, at stanfilldottie@gmail.com by 4-29-26.

RECRUITMENT & OUTREACH COMMITTEE UPDATE

Recruitment Zoom Call Highlights

Thank you to the many communities who joined our recent Recruitment Zoom Call. These monthly calls are a great opportunity to share recruitment ideas, discuss challenges, and support each other across all three Kairos programs — Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside, and Kairos Torch. Everyone is welcome to attend, and if you are unable to join, we encourage you to ask someone from your community to attend in your place.

During our call, we discussed several important topics including DOC training challenges at some facilities, ways previously trained volunteers can continue serving through reunions and one-day retreats, and the importance of following the recommended volunteer-to-participant ratio. We also shared great recruitment ideas, including creating a speaker list, holding information meetings before team formation, and recruiting volunteers who want to help specifically with outreach and recruitment.

We also discussed our 2026 State SMART Goal of 150 new volunteers. Each community is encouraged to recruit at least 8 new volunteers, with the goal of bringing in 4 new volunteers for both your Spring weekend and your Fall weekend. It has been encouraging to see that several communities have already started working toward their individual recruitment goals!!

At our State Meeting and again on this Zoom call, it was reiterated how important it is to track recruitment and fundraising efforts using the Kairos International Council Reporting Form and to represent all three Kairos programs whenever we attend community events.

These calls are an important way for us to stay connected as a state, share what is working, and support each other in growing the Kairos ministry across Indiana.

Our next Recruitment Zoom Call will be April 15. All are welcome to attend.

Blessings,
Shari Blickman
Recruitment & Outreach Chair
Kairos of Indiana

*Pride blinds us to our need for God - making us self-reliant instead of God-dependent.
When we walk in humility - acknowledging our need for His wisdom, strength, and mercy -
He pours out even more grace.*

ANNUAL CONFERENCE NEWS & REMINDERS

March Kickoff: 50th Anniversary T-Shirt Design Contest



Submit a photo of your design along with a picture of your team, Advisory Council, or group by **April 15** to

Angie@kpmi.org | [Download Logos](#)

The selected design will be made available for use across the ministry during the anniversary celebration.

April - Invitation Month

Invite 5 people to a Kairos event

May - Church Month

Host a Kairos booth/table or share a Mission moment at your church

The Kairos of IN Executive Committee has voted to approve scholarships for active Kairos volunteers to attend the 2026 50th Anniversary Annual Conference in Orlando, FL on Thursday, July 23rd (beginning with dinner) through Saturday, July 25th conference registration. Any additional options for conference registration will be at the volunteer's expense, payable at time of registration. Kairos volunteers are responsible for the cost of transportation.

It is important to understand each conference registration is a commitment with the conference hotel for a room and food. Kairos of Indiana is responsible for paying for each registration, even if the registered volunteer does not attend. In the past, we have had a number of "no shows" at the conference, and Kairos of Indiana has had to cover the costs of each of the registrants who don't attend. Therefore, we are once again requiring attendees to submit credit card information on the registration form. If you register and attend the general sessions and the workshops of the conference, Kairos of Indiana will pay your registration as the scholarship detailed above. However, if you register for the conference and do not attend, leave the general session of the conference early, or do not cancel your registration by the deadline, Kairos Prison Ministry International will charge your credit card for the cost and reimburse Kairos of Indiana. Attendees will be required to sign as to their attendance at the various workshops, and this information will be shared with State Chairs.

Each registration must include the conference registration form and the signed credit card authorization form to be considered complete and must be submitted by June 12th. Here's the [link to the form](#).

All documents should be sent to Shari Blickman at shariblick@icloud.com or they may be mailed to Kairos of Indiana, P.O. Box 681515, Indianapolis, IN 46268. **Please abide by the June 12th deadline** and NOT the one on the registration form, as Shari will need time to process your registration. Cancellations may be received in writing no later than July 10, 2026 to Andy@kpmi.org. Your credit card will be charged if you fail to cancel by this date.

KPMI Expects the conference to sell-out this year, so please register early!

KAIROS OF INDIANA 2026 Annual Conference

Conference Registration Cancellation Policy

To cancel your registration for the 2026 Annual Conference, you must submit a written cancellation request no later than Wednesday, July 10, 2026. By completing the registration form and providing your credit card details (including card number, cardholder name, expiration date, and security code), you acknowledge and agree to the following:

- If you do not submit a written cancellation request by the July 10, 2026, deadline, Kairos of Indiana will charge the credit card provided for any costs incurred due to your cancellation or failure to attend (no-show).
- To cancel, you must send an email to andy@kpmi.org on or before July 10, 2026.
- If you cancel after the deadline or do not attend the conference, you will be charged the full registration fee for each day you were registered, as Kairos of Indiana is billed for these costs.

By signing and submitting the registration form, you agree to these terms.

Date _____

X _____
Signature

[Click here](#) for a link to this form

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SPRING WEEKENDS AND THEIR LEADERS:

Heritage Trail #17

April 9-12

WL: Calin Johnson

Indiana Women's Prison #29

April 16-19

WL: Jody McCormick

Putnamville #27

April 16-19

WL: Dale Jones

Kairos Outside of Southern Indiana #28 (KOSI)

April 17-19

WL: Whitney Spradley

Branchville #32

April 23-26

WL: Bob Newton

Edinburgh #17

April 23-26

WL: Dwight Hendrix

Pendleton Men #27

April 23-26

WL: Josh McCallin

Wabash Valley #25

April 23-26

WL: Jay Wathen

Logansport Torch #19

April 24-26

WL: Larry Cunningham

Westville #37

April 30-May 3

WL: Kevin Garner

Plainfield

April 30-May 3

WL: Chris Mains

Rockville #37

May 14-17

WL: Karen Webb

Pendleton Torch #32

May 15-17

WL: Neal Freeman

*When stress screams, obedience whispers; let
Him steady your spirit so you respond, not react.
(from Pray.com, based on Numbers 20:8)*

*Obedience should shape how you pray,
resulting in the desire to please God instead
of yourself. (see I John 3:22)*

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCILS:

We have 19 Communities in the State of Indiana! What a Blessing!
3 Outside Communities, 2 Torch Communities and 14 Inside Communities

Branchville

Advisory Council Chair:
Donnie Bishop

Edinburgh

Advisory Council Chair:
Charlie Garcia *

Heritage Trail

Advisory Council Chair:
Kevin King

Indiana State Prison

Advisory Council Chair:
Larry Dresch

Indiana Women's Prison

Advisory Council Chair:
Beth Thorne

Kairos Outside of Central Indiana (KOCI)

Advisory Council Chair:
Anne Huebel

Kairos Outside of Northern Indiana (KONI)

Advisory Council Chair:
Jeri Kris

Kairos Outside of Southern Indiana (KOSI)

Advisory Council Chair:
Suzanne McCool

Logansport Torch

Advisory Council Chair:
Stan Harlow

Miami

Advisory Council Chair:
Doug Nethercutt *

New Castle

Advisory Council Chair:
Ryan Slack

Pendleton CIF

Advisory Council Chair:
Nick Poletika *

Pendleton Men

Advisory Council Chair:
Larry Larew *

Pendleton Torch

Advisory Council Chair:
Matt Tuxhorn

Plainfield

Advisory Council Chair:
Erin Doty

Putnamville

Advisory Council Chair:
Martin Thorne *

Rockville

Advisory Council Chair:
Patricia Coon *

Wabash Valley

Advisory Council Chair:
Troy Pickel *

Westville

Advisory Council Chair:
Todd Powell

* indicates new chair