

MILESTONES AND PEOPLE – THE FIRST 25 YEARS

This summer we thank God for twenty-five years of Kairos in Colorado. Five years ago we published an outline history of the first twenty years. In the columns below we have brought that history up to date. Read, enjoy, and give thanks.

1982 God led Bill Potter and the St Francis Episcopal Cursillo Ultreya group in Colorado Springs to pray about starting a prison ministry in Colorado. DOC pointed Bill toward CWCF, which put Bill in touch with a CWCF lay volunteer named Bill Fay, who had been praying since January for someone with the organizational skills to launch a "Cursillo" program in the Colorado prisons. The two Bills connected. Bill Potter already knew about Kairos, so he then connected with Kairos National in Florida and observed a Kairos there. With a group of Front Range Catholic and Episcopal Cursillo and Koinonia communities, he organized a Kairos Secretariat with:

Lay Director: Bill Potter
Asst Lay Director: Sandy Browning
Spiritual Director: Vic Urban
In other positions: Louise and Sam Abeyta, Diane and Paul Bishop, Ralph Browning, Joan Potter, Muriel Urban

November 18-21: WOMEN'S KAIROS #1

Rectora: Sandy Browning
Co-coordinators: Bill Fay and Bill Potter (later: Sandy Browning, Lorraine Harding, Gerry Lam, Marj Rust, Gerri Quintana, Jean Yanchek, Ann Weida, Jonnie McConaghy)

1983 April 14-17: FREMONT KAIROS #1

Rector: Bill Fay
Coordinator: Bill Potter (later: Bob Goss, Dave Jones, Bob Reilman, Eric Goldy, Ed Quintana, Jim Waters, Dick Evans, Terry Kruse, Jim Strub, Jim Waters)

1985 June 14: Incorporated a board of directors as "Kairos of Colorado, Inc " with purpose of

raising and managing the funds for Kairos in Colorado. Original seven directors were:

President: John Barney
Vice President: Nick Schaefer
Recording Secretary: Bill Potter
Treasurer: Jim Strub
At Large: The Reverend Scott Frantz, Sandy Browning, and Phil Marsh
Director of the Corporation: Bill Potter

1986 April 24-27: TERRITORIAL KAIROS #1

Rector: Phil Marsh
Coordinator: Bill Potter (later: Bob Sears, John Keiser, Gene Wilkowski, Art Vigil, Norm Fritzler, Dave McGee, Chuck Weida, Gary Kulbitski, Chuck Weida)

October 22: Merged the functions of the Colorado Secretariat into the Board of Directors of "Kairos of Colorado, Inc."

President: Nick Schaefer (later: Moses Archuleta, Donna Bolte, Art Wise, Dave Buckingham, Joseph Mares, Sam Abeyta, Dave Tillack, Ken Grosse, Bruce Carlson, Steve Gabriel, Bob Reilman, Mary Sogan)
Representative to National: Bill Potter (later: Sandy Browning, Dave Jones, Mary Sogan, Art Wise, Joseph Mares, Steve Gabriel)

1987 January 4: Began Ultreyas at Skyline CF, Coordinator: Jim Strub.

July 11-12: Kairos Weekend for CTCF Special Management Group (HIV/AIDS):
Rector: Bob Sears

August 6-8: Colorado Kairos hosted International Kairos Summer Conference at Falcon Inn, Monument CO,
Administrator: Ralph Browning.

November 7-8: Skyline 2-day Retreat
Retreat Leader: Jim Strub

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- 1988** July 28: dedicated new CWCF chapel building provided by the "Kairos Prison Chapel Fund" chaired by Peggy Strub.
- 1989** January 7-8: Skyline 2-day Retreat
Retreat Leader: Bob St Clair
- December 17: Began Ultreyas at Arkansas Valley CF (Ordway).
Coordinator: Dave Jones (later: Bob Shields)
- 1991** February 26: Skyline program terminated due to October 1990 population restructuring.
- April 27-28: Arkansas Valley 2-day Retreat.
Retreat Leader: Jim Strub
- 1992** **Jan 30 - Feb 2: DELTA KAIROS #1**
Rector: Andrew Kaminski
Coordinator: Andrew Kaminski (later: Danny Ramirez, Darrell Corlett, Bill Bennett, Allen Molendyk, Bill Bennett)
- 1993** January 12: Colorado District Board initiated formation of facility Advisory Councils.
- February 21: Began Ultreyas at Limon CF.
Interim Coordinator: Jim Saunders
- March 16: Abandoned Arkansas Valley program (lack of outside team members)
- 1994** February 10: Abandoned Limon program (no coordinator, no resident chaplain)
- 1996** July 17-21: Colorado Kairos hosted International Kairos Summer Conference at Snow Mountain Ranch, Granby CO,
Administrator: Mary Sogan.
- 2001** March 18: Began Monthly Reunions at Denver Women's CF
Coordinator: Mary Sogan
- May 3-6: STERLING NORTH
KAIROS #1**
Rector: Wayne Park
Coordinator: Wayne Park (later: Andrew Sisneros/Tom Sonntag)
- 2002** **Jun 6-9: STERLING SOUTH
KAIROS #1**
Rector: Ron Fullmer
Coordinator: Wayne Park (later: Andrew Sisneros/Terry Bessler)
- Sep 28: 20th Anniversary Celebration**
About 100 Kairos people, including former inmates, gathered in Frisco to celebrate 20 years of God's blessing of this ministry in Colorado.
- Dec 5-8: DENVER WOMEN'S
KAIROS #1**
Rectora: Jean Mares
Coordinator: Gabriella Ramirez (later: Jean Mares, Teddy DeBerry)
- 2003** February: "Kairos of Colorado, Inc" became a State Chapter of "Kairos Prison Ministry International, Inc." (KPMI), as part of a Kairos-wide reorganization providing more standardization and financial accountability .
- Jul 17-20: LIMON KAIROS #1**
Rector: Jim Richardson
Coordinator: Dick Evans (later: Jim Fitzpatrick)
- 2004** October 17: Began Monthly Reunions at Brush Women's CF
Coordinator: Jan Loesch
- 2005** **Mar 3-6: STERLING EAST
KAIROS #1**
Leader: Mike Braden
Coordinator: Wayne Park (later: Andrew Sisneros/Randy Borden)
- Jun 2-5: BRUSH KAIROS #1**
Leader: Mary Lou Hernandez
Coordinator: Jan Loesch (later: Chris Bauer)
- July 1: Effective date of a six-month suspension of Kairos at Fremont. There had been a security violation on 11-12 June. As a result of this and other violations occurring at Kairos prisons, the state organization undertook a major review of security and issued more stringent security guidelines for use in all our Colorado facilities.

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Aug 4-7: RIFLE KAIROS #1

Leader: Skaught Graham
 Coordinator: Roger Quarry (later: S. Graham)

November: Sterling administration requested each of the three Kairos programs to cut back from two 4-day weekends per year to one, due to administrative overload caused by hosting six Sterling weekends per year.

2006 Feb 5: Monthly Reunions resumed at Fremont.

June 3-4: 2-day Retreats resumed at Fremont.

November: State Committee established Ad hoc committee for Kairos Outside, a ministry to the female loved ones of the incarcerated.

Chair: Jean Mares

2007 July: Web Site established.

Webmaster: Jeff Holley
www.kairoscolorado.org

Note: *In recent years :
 "Rector/a" changed to "Leader,"
 state "President" changed to "Chairperson,"
 and our local use of Coordinator" changed to
 "Facility Liaison."*

MEANWHILE, SOME OF US HAVE GONE HOME

1994	Ray Hausner
1995	Jackie Martinez
1996	Gene Wilkowski
1997	Gordon Sorensen, Sue Martinez
1998	The Reverend Dave Jones, Bob Schmidt
1999	Ted Van Horn
2000	Moses Archuleta, Jane Merritt, Darrell Corlett, Ross Foltz
2001	A. J. Luckey, Nick Bedal
2002	Tom Starnes
2003	Ed Junghans, The Reverend Vic Urban, Rodger Burcher, Paul "Chino" Aguirre, Duane Medina
2004	John Barney
2006	The Right Reverend Bill Davidson
2007	Wade Kimsey

COLORADO STATE COMMITTEE OF KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY INT'L

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Brush Women's	Karen Salzman
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Delta	Bob Storch
Denver Women's	Glenda Condon
Fremont	Jim Waters
Limon	Jim Richardson
Rifle	Kent Austin
Sterling (East, South, North)	Jeff Holley
Territorial	Jim Carter
Kairos Outside (ad hoc committee)	Jean Mares

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:

Agape	Wanda Sitler
Newsletter & Data Base	Jim Strub
Recruiting/Outreach/Fundraising	All of us
Security	Jean Yancheck
Training	Peter Kufeke
Webmaster	Jeff Holley

2007 WEEKENDS & LEADERS

BRUSH #4	2-5 Aug	Patty Morrison
RIFLE #5	2-5 Aug	Tyne Bush
FREMONT #46 (tentative)	20-23 Sep	Bruce Carlson
DELTA #32	11-14 Oct	Daniel Tyler
CAÑON WOMEN'S #46	18-21 Oct	Sara Igyarto
LIMON #7	18-21 Oct	Jimmie Lazanis
STERLING NORTH #12	1-4 Nov	Bill Hollis
TERRITORIAL #44	8-11 Nov	Larry Bauers
DENVER WOMEN'S #8	29 Nov-2 Dec	Sandy Miller

KAIROS OF COLORADO

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 Web Site (coming soon): www.kairoscolorado.org

YOU

ARE INVITED TO OUR CELEBRATION OF THE

25th ANNIVERSARY OF KAIROS IN COLORADO

SATURDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2007

RED LION – DENVER

4040 Quebec Street (just south of I-70/Quebec exit)

4:30 Register, Fellowship, Silent Auction Bidding

6:00 Music by Kairos Musicians & Sing Along

6:30 Dinner – includes Caesar Salad, Herb Roasted Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables, Rolls and Butter, Coffee (Regular or Decaf) and Iced Tea, and Chocolate Torte Dessert; with three choices of entrée:

- 1) Prime Rib with Au Jus & Horseradish
- 2) Oven Poached Salmon with Champagne Tarragon Buerre Blanc
- 3) Chicken Marsala with mushroom blend and Marsala Demi Glace

7:30 Program (with break for final Silent Auction bids)

- **Speakers:** Kairos Grads and DOC Officials
- **Personal story telling**, as time permits. Send your "Kairos Stories/Memories" to Mary Sogan by email or USPS. They can be funny, touching or whatever. All of us have special stories. This would be a good time to tell them. Mary hopes to have enough of them to put together a booklet for distribution.

Cost: \$45.00 per person, \$50.00 after 20 September

Rooms are available at \$64/room, if reserved before 15 Sep, for those who want to stay over and have breakfast together on Sunday. Reserve rooms at 303-321-6666.

Please consider donating items for the **Silent Auction**. Proceeds will benefit startup of our Kairos Outside program – specifically Outside #1 in 2008 (total cost about \$7500). For questions on appropriateness and transportation of the items, call Jean Mares at 303-518-0550 or contact Mary (303-937-7675 or mlsogan@comcast.net). Items do not have to be new, but in good condition – antiques, art, services, etc.

Space is limited, so please call or email Mary Sogan soon with your intentions, then follow up with the Form below. Print, complete, and mail to Mary at 1232 South Marshall Court, Lakewood CO 80232. Enclose check or money order payable to Kairos.

NAME(s) of those attending _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/STATE _____

ZIP CODE _____ PHONE (10 digit) _____ EMAIL (optional) _____

DINNER ENTREE SELECTIONS (1 per person): PRIME RIB _____ SALMON _____ CHICKEN _____

VOLUNTEER YEARS OF SERVICE (On back, list name & years of service for each Kairos person attending)

I WOULD LIKE TO: DONATE (#) _____ DINNER(S) FOR KAIROS GRADS and/or DOC GUESTS
DONATE \$ _____ ADDITIONAL TO HELP WITH COSTS OF THIS EVENT
DONATE A SILENT AUCTION ITEM _____