

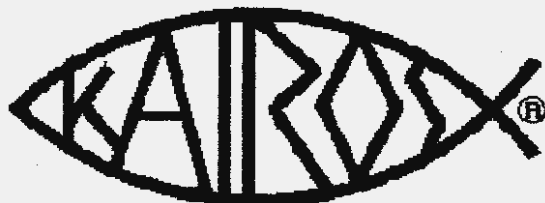
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"GOD'S SPECIAL TIME"

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

COLORADO KAIROS FAMILY REUNION

5 JUNE 1993 -- 10:00am TO 4:00pm

ST JOHN CHRYSOSTOM CHURCH

13151 WEST 28th AVENUE

GOLDEN (map on next page)

POTLUCK LUNCH AT NOON

KAIROS FAMILY? Who's that? All of us, that's who -- old-timers, newcomers, team members, supporters, families -- you who are long familiar with the Kairos Prison Ministry, you who are now curious about it. We look forward to this time of special fellowship -- a time to be with Kairos people we haven't seen for a while, a time for Territorial and Fremont and Delta and Women's people to share, for early Kairos people to come share the excitement of current Kairos, for supporters to share with those they support -- all one in the Body of Christ.

We will have child care and sharing and fun and games for the youngsters, too, so bring 'em all along. The church is well equipped for all this, lots of play space including a fenced play yard, big rooms indoors (you know Colorado weather!), and a well-equipped kitchen.

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We currently reach over 300 new inmates each year at a cost of over \$100 per inmate. Please back our "front line" team members with your help. To designate your gift for ministry in a specific prison, write that prison's name after "FOR:" on form above. Enclose form and mark TREASURER on envelope.

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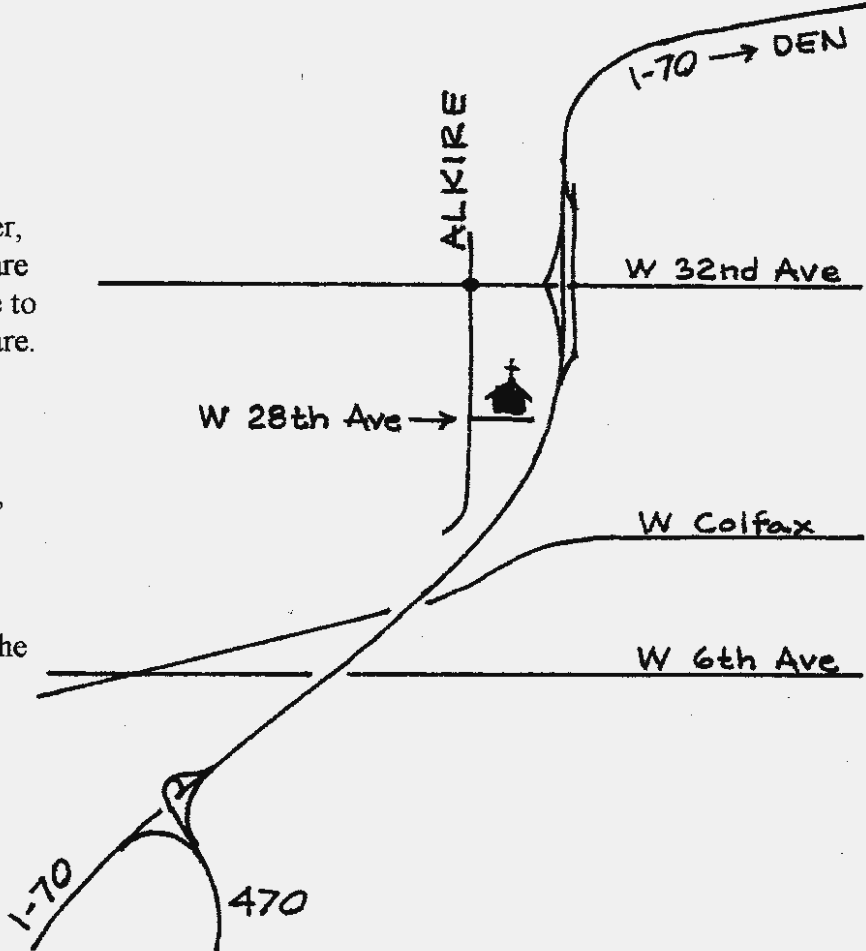
KAIROS LOGO LAPEL PINS

We have these pins for sale for \$5 each. They have gold lines on red or blue background and are a beautiful gift and/or witnessing tool. Specify number and colors, enclose FULL payment with completed form above, and write PINS on envelope.

The Reunion will be a "retreat" from our everyday lives, a time to come together to regroup and prepare for better things. The Reverend Dave Buckingham, our retreat leader, invites us to come together to learn and to share about the "3 C's" -- and you'll have to be there to hear directly from him just what those "3 C's" are. Questions? -- contact Dave Buckingham, 303 (Denver) 777-5717.

So, **COME ONE, COME ALL**, on June 5th, to be nourished by the true blood supply, the living water that flows through all parts of the body. Let this be a special time for being re-invigorated in the perfect will of the Head of the Body, our Lord Jesus Christ.

SEE YA THERE!



KAIROS MEN NEEDED FOR LIMON

As announced in the last Newsletter, Kairos has started at the Limon Correctional Facility, which is three miles south of Limon. Our initial program consists of Monthly Reunions on the third Sundays of the month from 1:30 to 4:00 (team meets at gate at 1:00). Limon Kairos #1 can be organized only when some 30 men have stepped forward and committed to it and to the monthly reunions that will follow. To date, eight men have volunteered (Thank you, Lord!) and there have been five or six at each of the three reunions held to date. **We also need someone to volunteer to be the Limon Coordinator**, at least long enough to get things going. Meanwhile, Jim Saunders (Denver dialing area 794-3623) has volunteered to be the interim contact for the Limon clearance forms. Please pray for God's leading as we move at His pace into this new area.

MAKE A FRIEND, BE A FRIEND, BRING YOUR FRIEND TO CHRIST

--- FROM WOMEN'S KAIROS #20 CLOSING ---

Coming to prison was so hard -- like I was buried in the grave. I was weak and someone out there was praying for me. Then He rose and brought me out of the grave with Him.

I was a Satan worshipper when I came in, but I found God and I'm going to be baptized.

I took my bag of Forgiveness Cookies to an officer. I asked them to forgive all of us in green for just seeing the blue uniforms and not the people inside of them.

I didn't think nobody loved me. For the first time in my life I feel I'm loved.

I was skeptical. I had not been attending church, for 101 reasons, like "all those hypocrits". Then I learned that church is for hypocrits.

We may not always get the forgiveness we want from people, but we always get it from God.

I started two other Kairos weekends. I ran from them screaming and kicking. I didn't know how to accept love. Then I developed a relationship with Jesus and this time He helped me complete it.

I've had a burden since I was 9 years old, but I saw Jesus yesterday and now that burden has been lifted.

I was looking for love in all the wrong places. I found out how to love myself.

Your prayers worked -- Close security people got to come. God decided that. Barriers were broken down by the people God made. No matter what happens, God and Jesus are backing me. It still hurts, but He takes away my sins.

I am taking with me the strength to walk, to walk in joy.

I forgave the person that I couldn't forgive since I was 8 years old. and today I can look them in the face and tell them I love them.

When I came I was emotionally drained. I didn't think coming would make any difference, but it did. No matter what, I'm going to make it because God is there. I can be me and everyone will accept me for who I am. I felt love that doesn't end.

I'm so glad I found God in time!

REMINDER -- PLEASE VOLUNTEER

The Area Committees for each facility are still in the formation process. Please seek the Lord in prayer to discern if He wants you to serve Him in this way. These need to be people who already have some degree of familiarity with and involvement in Kairos. We hope to have these underway by the June 5th Reunion. If you feel any such leading, call the appropriate Facility Coordinator:

Women -- Gerry Lam, 719-390-8732

Territorial -- Gene Wilkowsky, 303-939-8171

Fremont -- Eric Goldy, 719-784-3340

Delta -- Andrew Kaminski, 303-752-4184

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CALENDARS and CONTACTS

KAIROS WEEKENDS

NOW is always a good time to volunteer for a Kairos **TEAM**, sign up to attend **CLOSINGS**, **DONATE** for expenses, and **PRAY**.

Team meetings start two months before each Short Course, so team formation starts about four months ahead. In addition to oldtimers, teams always **need new people** who have participated in similar outside weekends (see next column).

Closings require signing up at least six weeks ahead of time so that the Department of Corrections can check on everyone before approving them for admission to a specific facility. Please **pray** about your part in this ministry -- **team, closing guest, and/or donor**.

The contacts below are the Kairos prison Coordinators. Dates are those of future weekends.

Fremont (men)	September 9-12
Eric Goldy	719-784-3340
Women	October 14-17
Gerry Lam	719-390-8732
Delta (men)	Fall
Andrew Kaminski	303-752-4184
Territorial (men)	November 18-21
Gene Wilkowski	303-939-8171

OUTSIDE WEEKENDS

The Kairos prison ministry is not affiliated with any outside Short Courses; however, we strongly recommend this unique "Encounter with Christ" for all Christians. Such a spiritual experience is required for Kairos team members.

If you've already been blessed by this experience, sponsor a friend. If you haven't, then find someone to sponsor you. You won't regret it!

These 3-day Short Courses are offered at various times and places -- and they fill up fast! Here are contact persons for information and dates:

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Walk to Emmaus (Ecumenical):

Sharon Matthew, Littleton, 799-3658

Episcopal Cursillo (Coed):

Gary Rose, Parker, 841-7865

Kathy Noland, Grnd Jctn, 434-1910

Catholic Cursillo, Denver:

Sue/Frank Martinez, Den, 693-3726

Catholic Cursillo, Colo Spgs:

Cath Diocese, Colo Spgs, 636-2345

Koinonia (2-day, Coed, Ecumenical):

Al Lowrie, Littleton, 764-7308

Jim Willard, Ft. Collins, 226-3521

LAST FRIDAY REUNIONS

- o 6:30 PM, last Friday of every month (If five Fridays, then it's the fifth Friday.)
- o **Hosanna Christian Center**
2nd & Lincoln, Denver
- o Family potluck supper
- o Prayer, fellowship, sharing, praising God

These "last Friday" Reunions are a real blessing to many, including some who made their Weekend while in prison. Members of the Denver-area Kairos community are currently holding the Reunions at the above **NEW LOCATION**. These Reunions bring old and new friends together for an evening filled with love and the presence of the Lord.

We encourage all of you to become a part of this. Bring along former inmates you know of, especially those just recently released. We **especially invite anyone** interested in this ministry -- prospective team members, prayer and donor supporters -- to **come and see**. For information contact:

Ed Junghans (303) 466-9224

TREASURY NOTES

**PLEASE WRITE THE PURPOSE OF YOUR DONATION
ON YOUR CHECK OR IN AN ATTACHED NOTE!**

For some time now our Treasurer, with the help of facility coordinators and Rectors, has been posting expense and income actions **by facility**. This is to help with cash flow decisions and to foster a sense of fairness among the facility teams who are conscientious about raising enough funds to cover their weekend and retreat expenses. Soon each facility **Advisory Council** will be doing its own detailed bookkeeping, with the District (Board) Treasurer being responsible only for the total dollars raised and the total dollars spent. To make sure that a facility gets credited for donations intended for that facility, please be sure to **WRITE** in the lower left corner of your check (or attach a **NOTE** to your money order or cash) telling what the donation is for. Some examples of what to write: Women's #21, Territorial Team, Fremont 22 Food, District Committee, Fremont Pepsi, Delta 4 Coke, Split 4 ways, Women's Kitchen, Kairos Crosses, etc.

All donations are, of course, very much appreciated. Those without a designation note will be credited to the general account -- that is, for division equally among all the facilities or for District-wide expenses.