

### **Kairos Prison Ministry International**

Changing Hearts

Transforming Lives

Impacting the World

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

# Kairos Inside

• Kairos Inside brings together inmates for a 3 ½ day Weekend led by same gender Kairos volunteers.



- We come back regularly to continue ministry with weekly Prayer and Share accountability groups and monthly Reunions.
- The goal is to create a Christian environment in the prison where they are spiritually freed from the effects of imprisonment.
- The purpose is to share the love and forgiveness of Jesus.

# Kairos Outside

- Relatives/friends "do time" along with the incarcerated
- Kairos Outside is a 2 ½ day Weekend designed to address the impacts of incarceration on women and their families
- In a safe and loving environment women interact with other women who are in similar situations to theirs
- The program is interspersed with music, fun activities, prayer and some special surprises
- Women, 20 years of age or older, who have been impacted by incarceration can attend
- Continuing Ministry after the Weekend provides strength and support for the women on their individual life journeys as they grow in faith



# Kairos Torch

- Kairos Torch ministers to incarcerated youth ages 25 and under in youth and adult correctional facilities
- The program begins with a 2½ day Weekend and culminates with six months of 1-to-1 mentoring in a group setting; monthly reunions and weekly Bible Studies until the youth is released



- Mentors assist youth in making better life choices and developing a holistic life plan
- The goal is to engage their reasoning skills and create a safe place for hurting youth to realize their God-given potential through the mentoring of a mature, Christian volunteer

## How You Can Participate

- Become a Team Member
- Become a Support Volunteer

For more information, please contact:

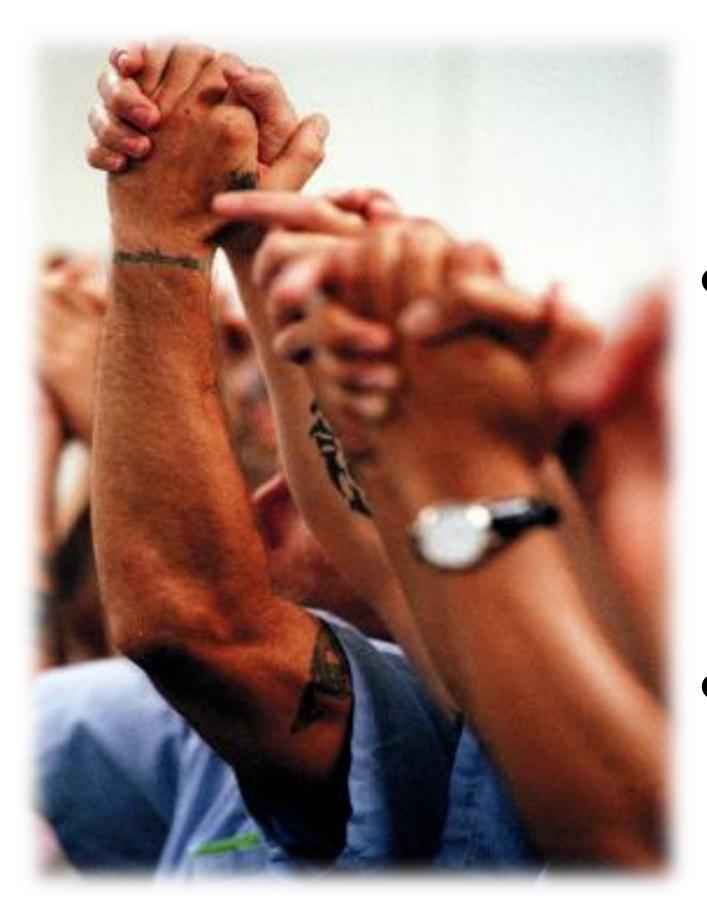
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### Who We Are

Kairos has more than 30,000 volunteers who serve in 500+ prisons and communities in 37 states and 9 foreign countries.

Kairos sprang from the Cursillo movement and is supported by volunteers from 4th Day ministries such as Cursillo, Via de Cristo, Walk To Emmaus, and Tres Dias as well as volunteers from Christian churches. Kairos embraces a diverse group of volunteers working together to fulfill Christ's call to action in Matthew 25:36.

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#### Kairos is one ministry with three programs

Kairos Inside for incarcerated men and women Kairos Outside for women impacted by incarceration Kairos Torch for incarcerated youth







#### Better Together™

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## Better Together

Each of the three Kairos Programs (Kairos Inside, Kairos Outside, and Kairos Torch) has a unique targeted audience, but the core program is essentially the same.

"Better Together" describes how the three programs working together positively impact individuals, families, and society. When the incarcerated adult or youth and their female loved ones attend Kairos programs, they have a parallel experience.

That experience provides a common bond, a shared experience, which can create a unique and exponentially positive effect on the family unit. It can also enable unity, positive dialogue, new beginnings, restoration, and hope.



Our Mission - Kairos shares the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ to impact the hearts and lives of incarcerated men, women and youth, as well as their families, to become loving and productive citizens of their communities.



Our Vision - A community spiritually freed from the effects of imprisonment reaching all impacted by incarceration, through the love, hope, and faith found in Jesus Christ.



- The purpose of the Kairos Inside program is to establish the Kairos Christian community inside prisons through the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ.
- A goal is to have the Kairos Graduates in an accountability group with other inmates to create life change.



- While Participants listen, combined with a lot of loving from the Weekend volunteers, a Christian community will start to form. Then Kairos has Continuing Ministry to help them continue to grow.
- For many Participants, the Kairos Weekend creates the desire to become a Christian, and for others the desire to continue his/her spiritual growth.

### Kairos Inside Program

- Kairos Inside is not just a Weekend. After the Weekend, there is ongoing Continuing Ministry made up of:
  - Weekly Prayer and Share
  - Monthly Reunions
  - 1 or 2 day Retreats
- As the Kairos Christian community inside a prison grows and begins to gain influence, the incidence of violence decreases.
- Incarcerated participants who are released re-enter the outside world
  - with a God-centered perspective and a new desire to become productive citizens.
- Recidivism studies show Kairos can reduce recidivism up to 50%.



• Kairos Outside is a 2½ day Christian Weekend designed to demonstrate God's grace and love through Christian support for women who have been impacted by incarceration



- In a safe environment with loving people, women interact with other women who are in similar situations and learn to form small support groups to give them strength for the challenges they face in their lives.
- Spouses, parents and relatives of the incarcerated often "do time" right along with their loved ones. It is important for them to know that they are not alone, and that there is a Christian community that cares.

### Kairos Outside Program

- 2 ½ Christian Weekend for women impacted by incarceration
- Weekend is based on a series of talks and meditations given by volunteers who have experienced similar situations in their lives
- Discussion following the talks takes place in small groups called table families
- Program is interspersed with music, prayer, fun activities, and special

surprises

- No religious affiliation is necessary to be a Guest
- After the Weekend continuing ministry helps the women deal with the challenges they face as they deal with the impact of incarceration on themselves and their families



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- In a safe environment with loving people, women interact with other women who are in similar situations to theirs
- The women learn they are not alone, and that there is a Christian community that cares about them and what they are going through
- Following the weekend, they can become involved with small support groups which provide strength and support for the challenges they face in life
- Women 20 years of age or older who have been impacted by incarceration can attend a Weekend



• Kairos Torch offers unconditional love and acceptance, encouraging male and female incarcerated youth age 25 and under to share their life journey through participation in a long-term mentoring process.



• The mission of the 2 ½ day Introductory Weekend is to encourage the participants to remove their masks, so that the real person can shine forth — rather than who they pretend to be.

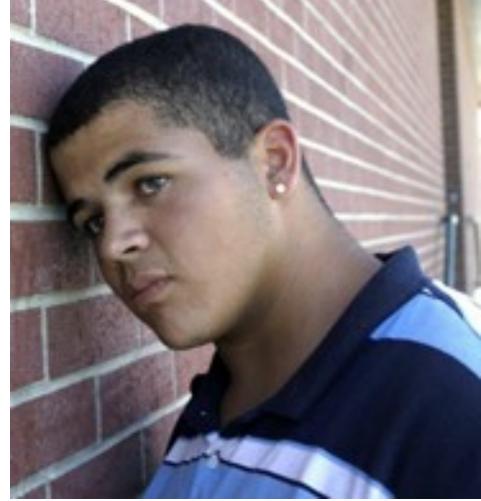
### Kairos Torch Program

• Kairos Torch creates a safe place for the youthful offender to realize their God given potential in a Christian setting that encourages the sharing of their life's journey, and moves them towards making better choices for their lives.



- Kairos Torch encourages the stripping away of the masks youth offenders hide behind.
- The Weekend is followed by a Continuing Ministry that includes six months of weekly one-to-one mentoring of the youth by Kairos Volunteers and monthly group Reunions.

- The mentors begin each session with a Bible verse, and use a structured guide as a springboard to discuss topics such as self-esteem, anger management, parental relationships, short and long-term goal setting, and forgiveness.
- The impact and benefit of the program is that the participants attain a renewed sense of themselves, build self-esteem, begin to make constructive life choices and establish positive relationships and community.

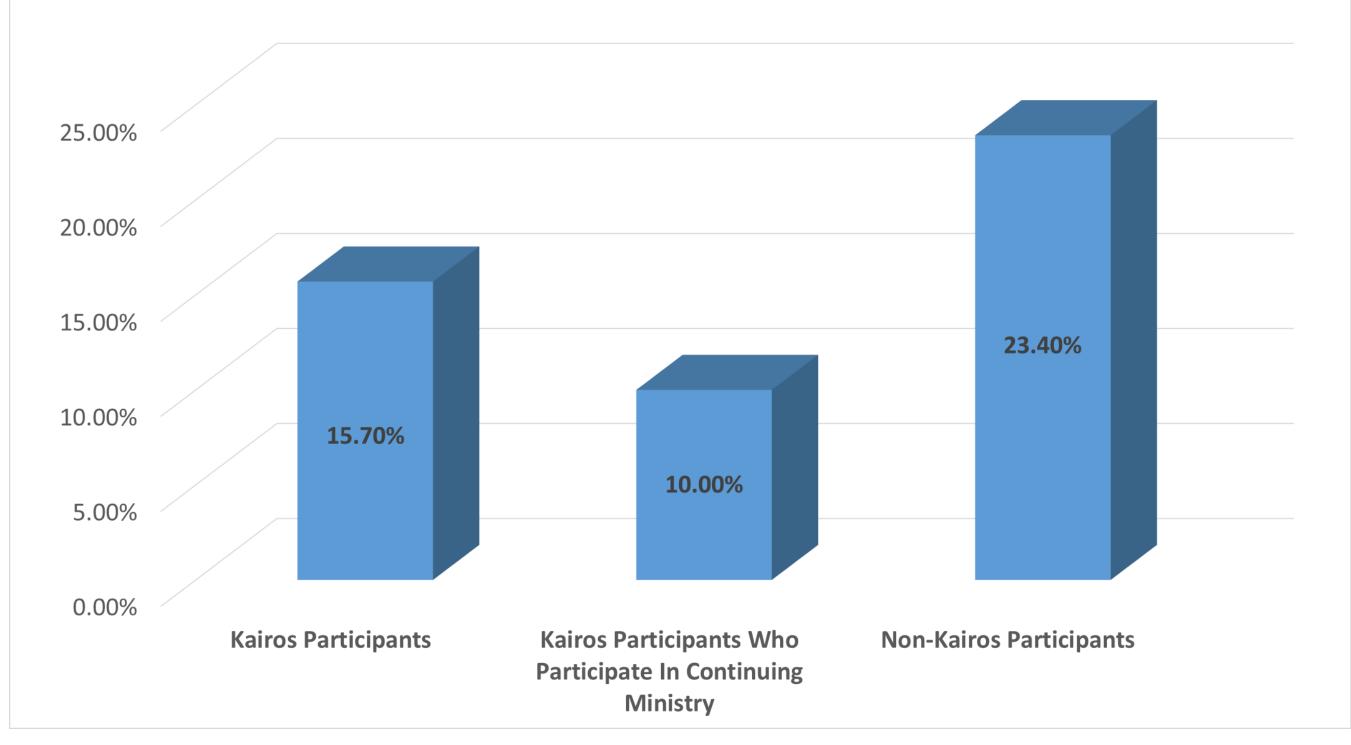


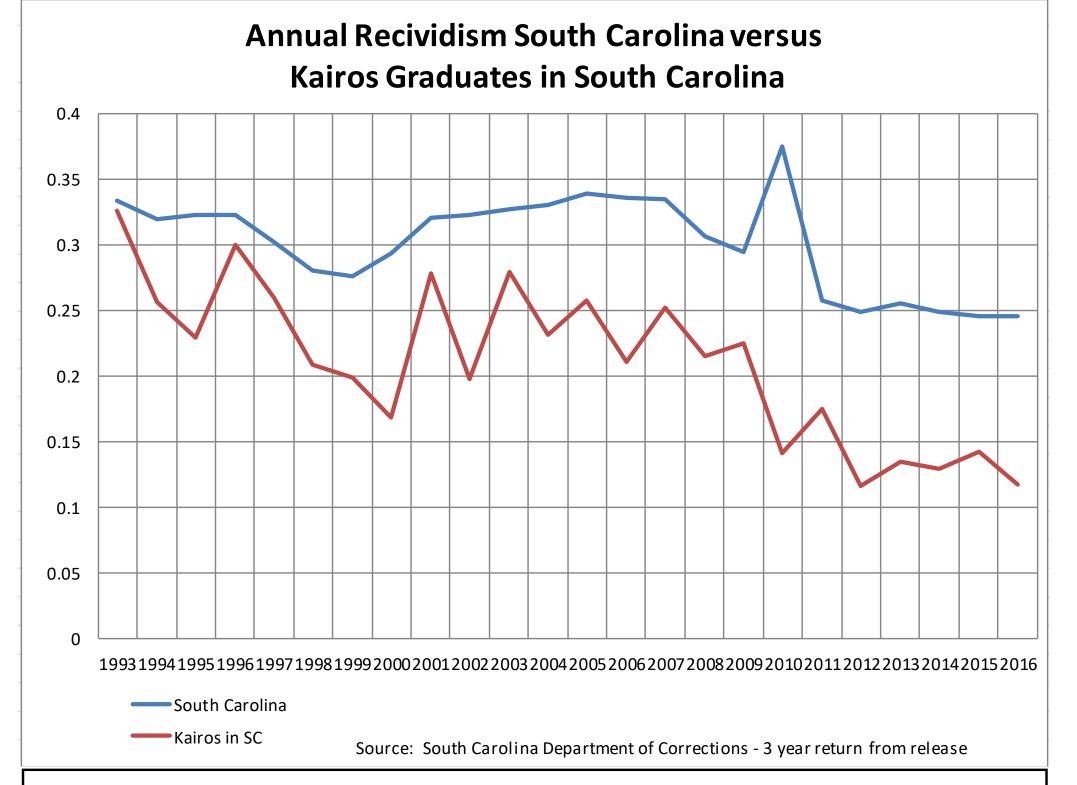












Five year average: SC 25.1% vs Kairos 13.9% = 44.5% reduction

Ten year average: SC 29% vs Kairos 17.4% = 40% reduction