



Kairos Prison Ministry International



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**“...I was in prison, and
you came to visit me.”
(Matthew 25:36)**



***“The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’”
(Matthew 25:40)***



Perspective

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The U.S. Leads the World in Incarceration Rates

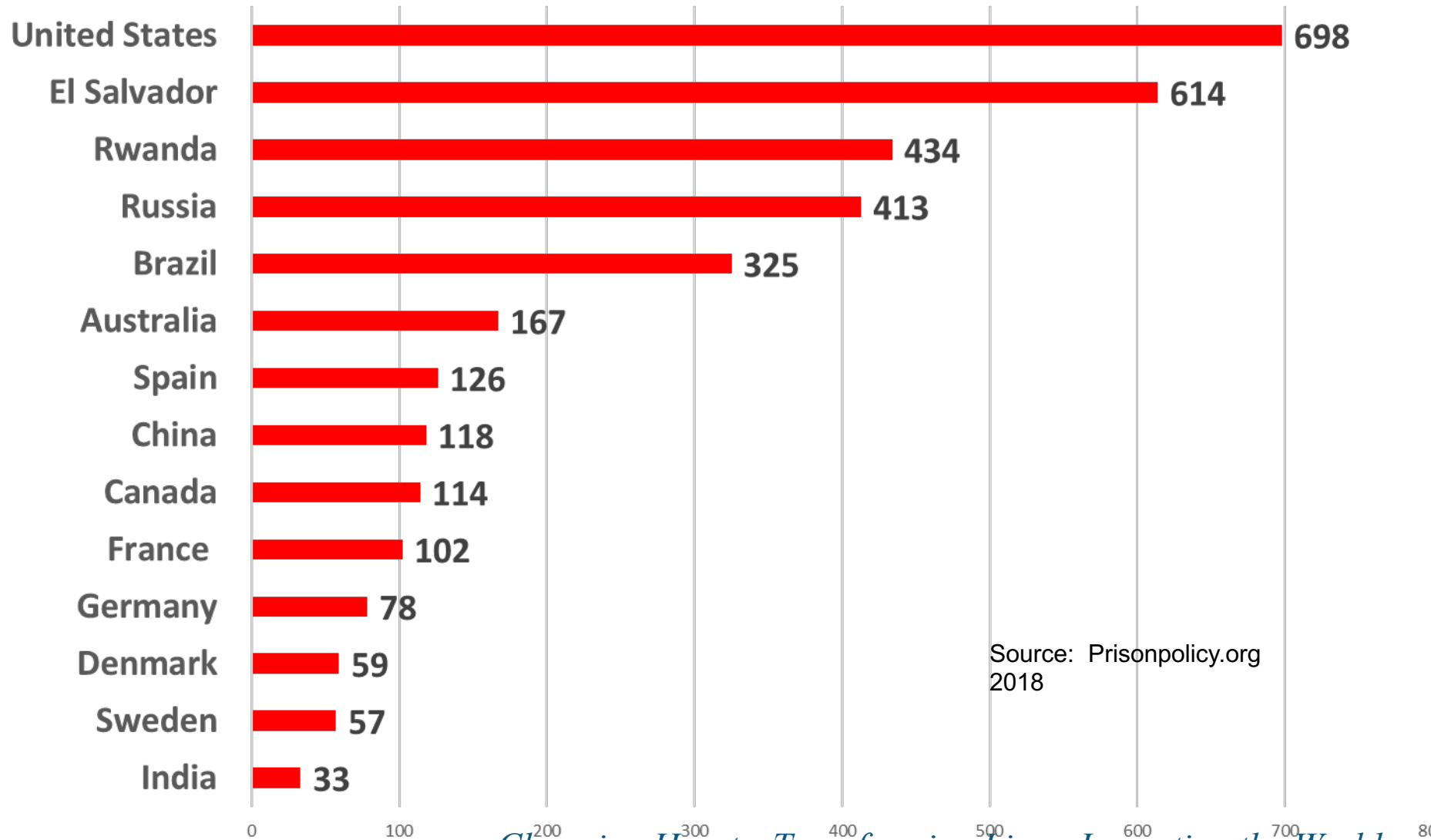
2.3 million people are incarcerated in the US, a 500% increase over the past 40 years!

- **U.S. represents 5% of the world's population**
- **U.S. houses 25% of the world's incarcerated people.**

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International Rates of Incarceration per 100,000



Source: Prisonpolicy.org
2018



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Statistics

- There are
 - 1,719 state prisons,
 - 102 federal prisons, and
 - 1,852 juvenile correctional facilities,
 - 3163 local jails,
 - 80 Indian Country jails
 - Plus...military prisons, immigration detention facilities, civil commitment centers, state psychiatric facilities, and prisons in US territories;
- 93% of those incarcerated are men, 7% are women
- State (all) expenditures on Corrections in 2016 was 57.7 billion dollars – up from 6.7 billion in 1985

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Texas

**State prison incarceration rate rank:
Texas Ranks 7th**

- **State Prisons:** 78
- **Prisoners:** 134,200
 - **Male:** 93.0%
 - **White:** 32.3%
 - **Hispanic:** 34.4%
 - **Black:** 33.3%
- **Kairos Advisory Councils:** 63 ⁽¹⁾
- **Annual State Prison Releases:** 42,000
- **Annual Correction Expenditures:** \$3.3 billion

(1) 49 Prisons, 2 Juvenile Detention centers, 12 Kairos Outside communities



The Problem

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The Problem

Average age at arrest in Texas prisons is 35.5 years.

So **young families are being torn apart** which erodes our communities.



Recidivism

A fundamental concept in criminal justice.

It refers to a person's relapse into criminal behavior and, as a result, return to prison.



Kairos reduces recidivism

“...the greatest hope for an inmate to avoid returning to prison is to undergo a religious conversion experience during his incarceration.”

Dr. Peter Legins, Senior Professor, University of Maryland's Institute of Criminal Justice

“Religion is a powerful antidote to crime and religion can promote beneficial outcomes and patterns of behavior.”

Byron Johnson, Author, “More God, Less Crime”



Kairos reduces recidivism

Percentage of released inmates that return to prison (3 years)

- General population recidivism: 68%*
- Kairos graduates: 33.0% reduction

* Department of Justice 9 year study (NCJ250975) published May 2018



Kairos reduces recidivism

By reducing recidivism, we **IMPACT not only the person incarcerated but an entire family unit**

and

the community.

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Mission

The mission of Kairos Prison Ministry is to share 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.

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**By sharing the love and forgiveness
of Jesus Christ, Kairos is
changing hearts,
transforming lives,
reducing incarceration, and
positively impacting the world.**

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Vision

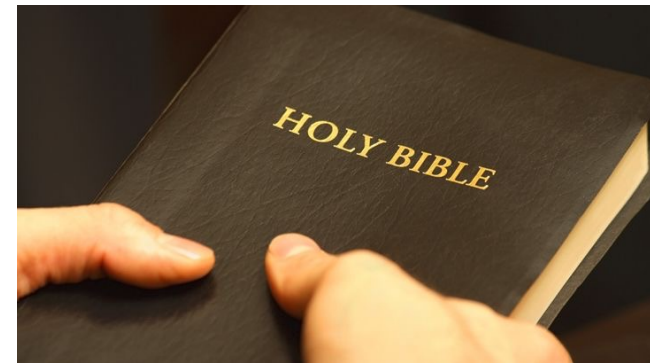
A community spiritually freed from the effects of imprisonment reaching all impacted by incarceration, through the love, hope, and faith found in Jesus Christ.

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Kairos

- Christian
- Lay-led
- Interdenominational



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Core Values

Kairos Prison Ministry Core Values guide our behavior and actions as a board, staff, and volunteers:

Lay led, Christ Centered Ministry
Empowerment while Building Accountability
Continuing Ministry Model to Build Community
Trustworthy
Respect and Love
Stewardship

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The IMPACT of Kairos

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The IMPACT of Kairos

- **After weeks of preparation, volunteers conduct a 3 ½ day spiritual weekend in prison including...**
 - **One talk throughout the Weekend in 10 parts that build upon each other**
 - **Series of meditations, discussions, music, and activities**



Kairos volunteers sit with residents in table Families

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Kairos volunteers sit with together with residents for meals and dine as a “Family”.

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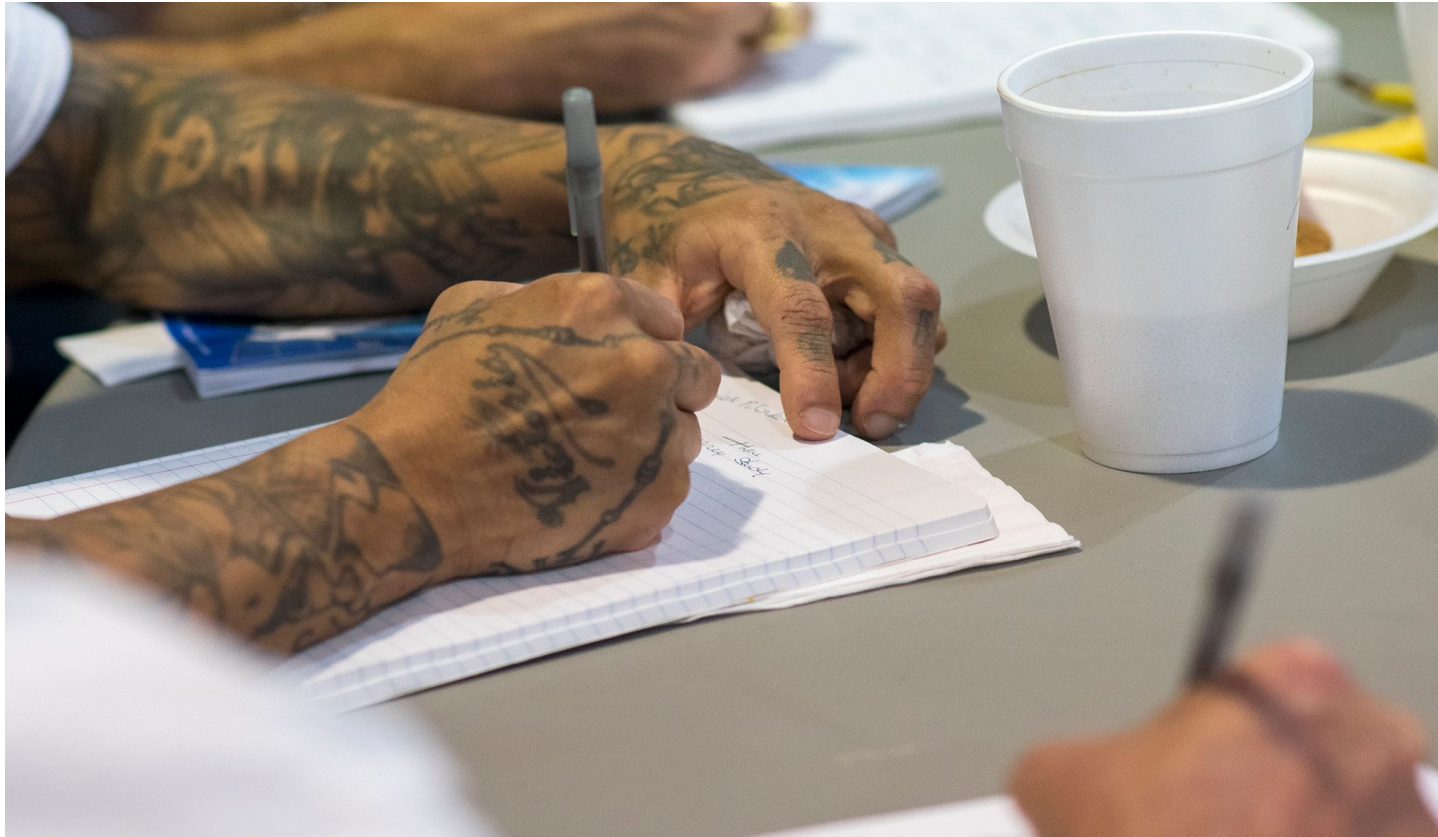
Chapel meetings are held each day during a Weekend.

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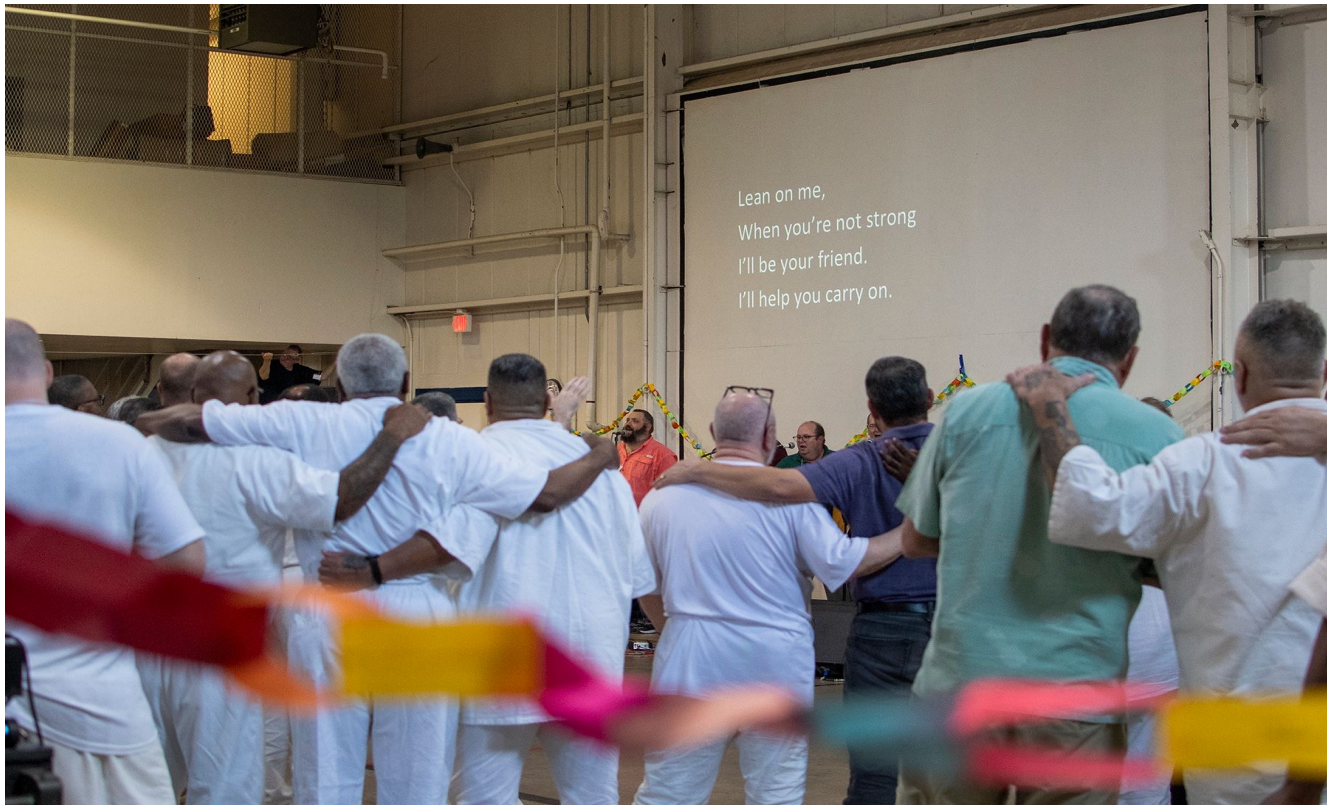
Clergy are involved with answering questions and meeting needs.

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Residents take notes throughout the weekend for their personal growth after graduation

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Singing Christian songs is a key for bonding residents and volunteers.

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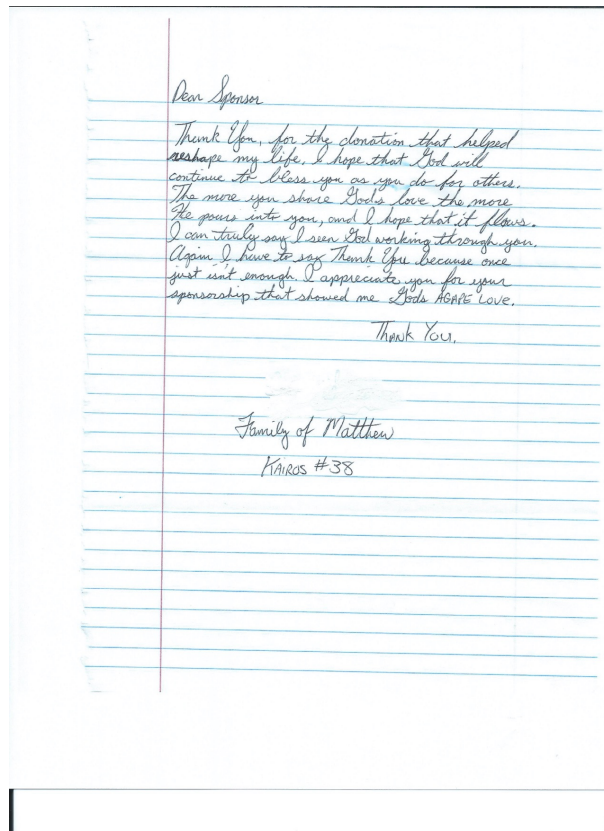
Taking the participants to a place of learning that Jesus Christ's love and forgiveness is central to Kairos work

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Letter from a Kairos Graduate

Original Letter



Excerpts of letter

- Dear Sponsor,
- Thank you for the donation that helped reshape my life.
- I hope that God will continue to bless you as you bless others.
- The more you share God's love, the more He pours into you, and I hope that it flows.
- I have seen God working through you.
- Again, I have to say "Thank you" because once just is not enough.
- I appreciate you for your sponsorship that showed me God's AGAPE LOVE.
- Thank you.



Letter from Kairos Graduate

Original Letter

Dear Brother and Sister in Christ,

I thank our father God for the love that he has given us, for his Begotten son who was put on the Cross at Calvary for our sins, for the Holy Spirit that dwells in us to show us how to love others just as we have been loved. In all this I say Thank God for you and other Brothers and Sisters that through the work of the Holy Spirit allow you to show us great Love Through your Donation in providing for us This Food and Time, but most important The Love that we received through you. Thank you I will forever keep you in my heart and Prayers in every Show of love that I give to others the love that you have shown me will be included.

I pray that through these words
You see that I love you.

Thank You
Brother in Christ

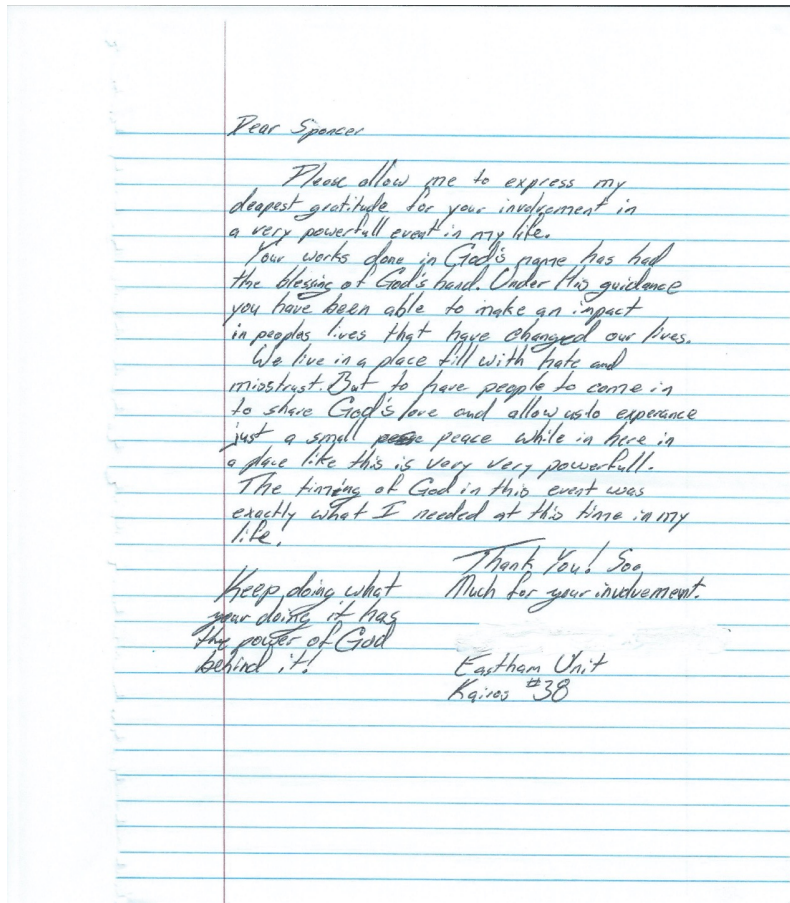
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- For the Holy Spirit that dwells in us to show us how to love others just as we have been loved.
- In all of this I say, Thank God for you and other brothers and sisters, that through the work of the Holy Spirit, allow you to show us great love through your donation in providing for us food and time, but most important the love that we received through you.
- Thank you, I will forever keep you in my heart and prayers in every show of love that I give to others, the love you have shown me will be included.
- I pray that through these words you see I love you.



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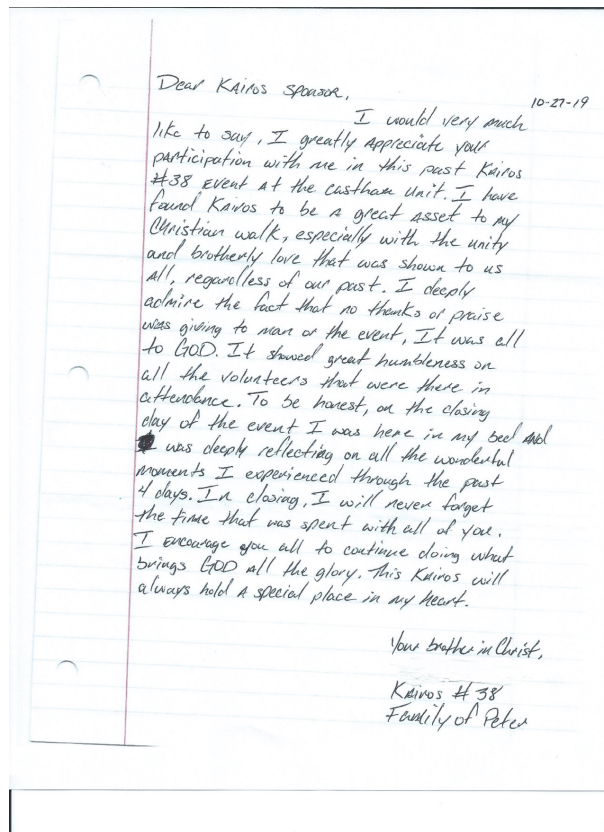
Excerpts of letter

- Dear Sponsor,
- Please allow me to express my deepest gratitude for your involvement in a very powerful event in my life.
- Your works done in God's name has had the blessing of God's hand.
- Under His guidance you have been able to make an impact in peoples' lives that have changed our lives.
- We live in a place filled with hate and mistrust. But to have people come in to share God's love and allow us to experience just a small piece while in here in a place like this is very, very powerful.
- The timing of God in this event was exactly what I needed at this time in my life.
- Thank you so much for your involvement!
- P.S. Keep doing what you are doing. It has the power of God behind it!



Letter from Kairos Graduate

Original Letter



Excerpts of letter

- Dear Kairos Sponsor
- I greatly appreciate your participation with me in this Kairos event.
- I have found Kairos to be a great asset to my Christian walk, especially with the unity and brotherly love that was shown to us all, regardless of our past.
- I deeply admire that no thanks or praise was given to man. It was all to GOD.
- On the last day, I was deeply reflecting on all the wonderful moments I experienced through the 4 days
- I will never forget the time that was spent with all of you.
- I encourage you all to continue doing what brings God all the glory.
- This Kairos will always hold a special place in my heart.
- Your brother in Christ



The IMPACT of Kairos

The Weekend is just the beginning of the program as Kairos continues to return and work with the graduates

Continuing Ministry

- Monthly Reunions
- Semi-annual Retreats
- Weekly Prayer and Share

Kairos Weekends repeat every six months

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The IMPACT of Kairos

Individual
Family
Community
Society

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Recidivism

The economic **IMPACT** of reducing recidivism

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Kairos reduces recidivism

By reducing recidivism, Kairos IMPACTS all Texas taxpayers

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Kairos reduces recidivism

Annual Texas Taxpayer Savings 2019

Texas Kairos graduates:	3,486
Recidivism: 68% within 3 years =	2,370
Kairos reduces this by 33% =	782
Texas taxpayer savings:	(782)(\$25,000)(3 years)

Savings attributed to the 2019 Kairos graduates
\$58,650,000

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Kairos Prison Ministry International

Number of Locations

Countries:	10
States:	36
Advisory Councils U.S. total:	417
Texas:	63
Advisory Councils globally:	505

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Texas is the largest Kairos state with 63 Advisory Councils

- **49 State Prisons**
 - **2 Juvenile Detention Centers**
 - **12 Kairos Outside Units**
 - **Brought Christ to over 3,486 incarcerated men & women (2019)**
- **Combined Kairos annual budget: \$1,800,000**
- **Funded solely by donations and sponsorships**
 - **A portion goes to support Kairos Prison Ministry International**

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You can help by becoming a sponsor

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Sponsorship and Support

General Fund

– Levels:

- **Platinum:** **\$25,000**
- **Gold:** **\$15,000**
- **Silver:** **\$10,000**
- **Bronze:** **\$ 5,000**

Request: 3-year commitment

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Sponsorship and Support

Tables

- 7 Tables @ \$2000/table
- Levels:

• Platinum:	All tables:	\$14,000
• Gold:	5 tables:	\$10,000
• Silver:	3 tables:	\$6,000
• Bronze:	1 table:	\$2,000

Request: 3-weekend commitment



Sponsorship and Support

Cookies

Platinum:	3500 Bags of Cookies	\$4,500
Gold:	2000	\$2,500
Silver:	1000	\$1,250
Bronze:	500	\$625
Supporting	100	\$125

Request: 3-weekend commitment

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Sponsorship and Support

Semi-Annual Retreat

- Lunch: \$850
- Levels:
 - Silver: Full luncheon: \$850
 - Bronze: ½ luncheon: \$425



**All donations are tax deductible as Kairos is a
501(c)3 non-profit**

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Thank you

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to give or be involved

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