



Kairos Outside Of North Texas

**SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:**

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Council meeting
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**Jesus said to her,
“Everyone who drinks of
this water will thirst
again; but whoever drinks
of the water I give them
shall never thirst; but the
water that I give him will
become in him a well of
water springing up to
eternal life.”
John 4:13-14**

**FROM THE TEAM LEADER
DEBRA WILMONT**

Have you ever watched geese fly? They fly in a V formation, the one in front is flying point and the others follow to form the V. In a V formation the whole flock adds at least 71% more flying range than if they flew alone. Whenever a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to fly alone and quickly gets back into formation. Like the geese-people who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going and easier than those who try to go it alone. When a goose gets tired, it rotates back into the formation and another goose flies at the point position. If people had as much sense, they would realize that ultimately their success depends on working as a team, taking turns doing the hard tasks and sharing leadership. Geese in the rear of the formation honk to encourage those up front to speed up, it is important that our “honking from behind” be encouraging, otherwise it’s just - well- honking. When a goose gets sick or wounded two other geese drop out of formation and follow it down to help and provide

protection. They stay with the unhealthy member of the flock until it is either able to fly again or dies, then they fly to catch up with their flock or launch out with another passing flock. **MAY WE BE SO SACRIFICIAL THAT WE BE WORTHY OF SUCH FRIENDS!!!** I have shared this to show that even in nature Christ has put the natural instinct to be part of a group, to help, to comfort, and to care; in us as humans He has put those same instincts. **KONT # 25** is not about Debra, I am not the leader, but am only flying at point for a time, and there are times when I need to fall back and allow a team mate to take the point position. This story is what Kairos is all about, the women who come to the Weekend as a guest are in the back and we need to nurture them as they heal and gain strength and then one day they may be able to fly in the point position. Currently we who make up the team for **KONT**

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R E M E M B E R I N P R A Y E R

Our Families

Brothers and Sisters in South-east Texas and anyone affected by the hurricanes.

Eddie Frazier’s family

Tim and Kathy Harless

Troy and Barbara Freeman

Parole decisions

Inside

Hightower #1, Dayton, TX, 10/09

Outside

Southern Indiana #1, 10/31

Colorado #1, 11/14

KONT #25, #26, and #27



Special Prayer Requests

Hightower #1 - Hightower was placed on lockdown following Hurricane Ike. Their first Weekend is scheduled for October 9. I

haven't seen any schedule changes reported yet.

California Institute for Women #1. I have word

that several events have taken place in past years to keep Kairos from getting in and holding a Weekend. They are scheduled for #1 October 9.

KAIROS OF TEXAS STATE CHAPTER CONFERENCE

| <u>What?</u> | <u>Where?</u> | <u>Theme</u> |
|----------------------------------|---|---|
| Kairos of Texas State Conference | Austin Omni Hotel at Southpark | Unity Among Community |
| This is another FIRST! | There will be a social Friday night. | For more information see |
| <u>When?</u> | Saturday will filled with workshops and training sessions...and food. | http://kotconference.org/index.html |
| November 7-9, 2008 | Sunday will close with everybody together. | |



COMING UP IN 2008



Kairos Inside Weekends
 September 25—Bartlett #9
 Charlie Lunday, Leader
 October 2—Polunsky #21
 John Fetzer, Leader
 October 2—Allred #15
 David Ross, Leader
 October 2—Murray #7
 Johanna Pelham, Leader

October 9—Daniel #10
 Stan Edwards, Leader
 October 9—Hughes #23
 Wayne Radwarski, Leader
 October 9—Lockhart #8
 Katrina Hodge, Leader
 October 9—Lynaugh #20
 George Koss, Leader

**October 9—Hightower #1
 Jerry (Stoney) Burke, Leader**

Kairos Outside Weekends
 October 3—North Texas #25
 Debra Wilmont, Leader

Special Notes:
 First Weekends
 Kairos of Texas State Conference

NEEDS AND WANTS

- The Fundraiser Dinner will be September 20th at Saturn Road Church of Christ, 3030 Saturn Road, Garland, TX. We want you to join us.
- Members of the Community are graciously invited to attend the Walk-

ing in Love and Closing Ceremonies for KONT #25. Walking in Love will be Saturday, October 4 at 7:30 PM and the Closing will be Sunday, October 5 at 2:30 PM. Both will be at Lake Sharon Retreat Center. Lake Sharon Retreat Center is

located at 2650 Oakmont Dr., Corinth, TX 76210.

- Prayer



KONT CALENDAR



KAIROS OUTSIDE
Of
NORTH TEXAS
2008 Weekends

KAIROS OUTSIDE OF
NORTH TEXAS
2008 ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETINGS

25, October 3– 5

Debra Wilmont

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Important dates to remember:

NOTES FROM THE ADVISORY COUNCIL

IMPORTANT NOTE:

KONT Weekend #26 has been postponed from Spring 2009 to Fall 2009.

Leaders for upcoming Weekends are:

#26 Sharon Jenkins

#27 Amber Gonzales

#28 Shy Wilson

Please keep our Sisters in your prayers as they begin preparations for their roles as God’s servants in Weekend leadership.

Sisters: If you are interested in serving as a KONT Weekend Leader please let Liz Compton or Shy Wilson know.

Who can attend Advisory Council Meetings? Anyone who has

been a guest on a KO Weekend or who has served on a KO Weekend. Is that you? We need you to join us so we can hear what you have to say. We need your voice to help direct the path of KONT.

Elections Elections will be held in October this year. Please submit nominations **NOW**. They are due September 20.



FROM THE EDITOR
CYNDI WINEINGER

Having participated as a guest of KONT Weekend #23 in October 2007 I wasn’t quite certain what serving on a Weekend would be like, only that I was being called to do so. I quickly learned two things after serving on KONT Weekend #24: I didn’t want to leave when it was over and it takes a strongly committed, dedicated

team of servants of God to bring it all together.

I thought in October I was blessed. I didn’t understand how much more God could show me by leading me to “the other side” of the Outside.

I got to see familiar faces again and was blessed to meet new friends. I can borrow terms to express the feeling and emo-

tion that the memories bring back... to all of you—“YOU ROCK!”...for myself—been “slingin’ snot” and that’s why I have the tissues. But the bottom line is best taken from an Oak Ridge Boys song “Loving God, loving each other, making music with my friends. Loving God, loving each other, and the story never ends.” God’s story

is endless and timeless. I look forward to working with all of you again and again and seeing what the next chapter reveals. “Our God IS an AWESOME God!”

Your Sister in Christ,

Cyndi

Revelations 22:21

ADVISORY COUNCIL'S CORNER
LIZ COMPTON, CHAIR

On March 30th 2008 we experienced another awesome KNOT closing as we listened to several of our guests share the joy and love they have received on the weekend.

What a miracle we get to experience time and time again as we watch these women walk into Lake Sharon Christian Center on Friday night, reserved and unsure, and leave Sunday afternoon with life-long friends who have just partaken in two glorious days of sharing, healing, and God's love! What a blessing we share in seeing what the love of Christ can do in the lives

of those who have trials as He provides us with the support we need to see us through it. It is then up to us to receive the love with open arms and to share this love with others.

I would venture to say that those of us who have worked on a team would say that we have experienced greater blessings by serving than we ever did as a guest. It is in serving and doing for others that we grow closer to God, and I pray that all of these women will find a way to give back what has been so richly given to them.

There are so many ways we can give back by shar-

ing with others what a blessing the weekend has been to us. We can serve on a team and work with a wonderful group of men and women and, in the process, make friends and learn so much about God's grace in the lives of others.

This journey might not have been the one we chose for ourselves, but I believe that it is in our darkest hours that God's face shines the brightest and it's in this time of great need that He draws us closer to Him.

What a joy and a privilege it has been to serve on team #24 and work along side some really special people.

My prayer is that many more

women will come to know the healing power and the joy that is Kairos Outside. Let's do all we can to get the word out and get those weekends filled.

God bless you with His love and peace.

Christ Servant,

Liz Compton



FROM THE TEAM LEADER
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25 are in formation, we are building the bonds of sister/brotherhood, and building a nest of safety and security for the guest who will attend KONT # 25 which will be held October 3-5, 2008. God has really outdone Himself with this team, each team member has a servants heart and is willing to fly in whatever position is needed in order to share God's love with the women who are hurting or in need, what an awesome

God we serve. There are several ways that you can join the formation, be an angel, come to the fund raising dinner, support our fund raising events; pray - above all pray- not only for the team, and the guests, but pray that God will show you how and where you can fill a position within this formation. You may contact me at (972) 698-9877 or raschiya1@yahoo.com; for fur-

ther information about being a part of this ministry and weekend or contact a team member they will be more than happy to give you the information you need. Let's all form a HUGE V and watch as God works in the guest's lives as well as their families. You are needed, wanted and loved by all of us. I pray that the Lord will bless you above all you dream.
Debra Hartley Wilmont



WE ARE UPDATING THE DATABASE

Please complete the following information and return
via email to cgwin8968@sbcglobal.net
or mail to Cyndi Wineinger, PO Box 180131, Dallas, TX 75218.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Weekends Served: _____

Advisory Council positions held: _____

Are you interested in serving on future Weekends: Yes _____ No _____

Would you like to serve as a Weekend Leader? Yes _____ No _____

Are you licensed clergy? Yes _____ No _____

Do you play an instrument? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, what instrument(s)? _____

Are you interested in attending Advisory Council meetings? Yes _____ No _____

If you do not wish to or cannot serve on future Weekends please complete the following:

Would you be willing to contribute to our fundraising? Yes _____ No _____

Would you be able and willing to help with agape items? Yes _____ No _____

Would you be willing to help as an Angel? Yes _____ No _____

Would you prefer to have your name removed from our Database? Yes _____ No _____

Please note: This information will not be shared publicly. This information is for database purposes only and will only be used by the Advisory Council in prayerful consideration of Team Preparations and Advisory Council formation. Your continued participation in Kairos Outside of North Texas is needed and greatly appreciated.

Please return by October 1, 2008 if at all possible.

Purpose of Kairos Outside

The purpose of Kairos Outside is to demonstrate God's grace and love through Christian support for women who have relatives/friends who are or who have been incarcerated.

G O D ' S S P E C I A L T I M E

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Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. 1 John 4:7



F O O D F O R T H O U G H T
F R O M J U N E F R A N C K

BEGINNING EACH DAY...

Do you ever wake up and just want to roll over to shut the world out? Covers go flying over your head and darkness surrounds you—silence—stillness—aloneness. This time of the darkness of the soul can be transformed one ray at a time into the dawning of the "light of God's love" in your life. And, yes, it takes faith. The Psalm below can give you courage in child-like faith—perhaps *"Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so, little ones to Him belong, they are weak but He is strong."* No matter your age, you are forever God's child and God loves to hear your voice.

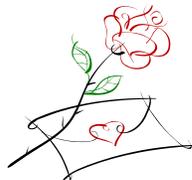
PSALM 95

Let us begin this day with singing.
Whether we feel like it or not,
Let us make glad sounds
And force our tongues to articulate words
Of Thanksgiving and praise.

The facts are: God is with us;
This world and we who are in it are His;
He loves us;
He has adopted us as His children;
We belong to Him.
This makes us valid, worthwhile.
We are truly significant in the eyes of our God.
Despite our human feelings
Or the comments of our critics.

This may not be the way we feel this morning,
But this is the way it is.
We don't need the plaudits of our peers -
We have God's stamp of approval.

So let us begin this day with singing
Whether we feel like it or not.
Then we may end this day with praises
Because we know—and may even feel—
That we shall forever be
The objects of God's concern
And the children of His love.
(*Psalms Now* by Leslie F. Brandt)



*Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Romans 8:39*