



Kairos Outside of North Texas

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

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POINTS OF
INTEREST:**

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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**

WOW!!!! I am still flying high and am even more humbled today than I was on October 3rd, 2008; that is when Kairos Outside jump started Weekend # 25. I was so moved to see how God used the team HE brought together to serve the guests that HE lead to Lake Sharon. I am sure some of you have heard how Satan tried to derail this particular Weekend, but God had other plans. KONT # 25 was the most awesome Weekend I have experienced, the team was exactly what and who God wanted, and they were the best. Our clergy Alice and Nancy were amazing and I am honored to have served with them. There were 33 guests, YES! 33 guests in attendance for KONT # 25, there were 37 team members. I am or was so blessed to have had the privilege of serving with this team, each one had such a servants heart and every one worked together to accomplish the same goal-to serve these ladies and do God’s work. The Walking in Love service Saturday brought out the community as we had never seen before and I know I was not the only one with tears running down my face as we walked the hallway with both

sides full of our outside community and the closing was even better, if that is possible, there were so many people there I could not talk to everyone after the closing was finished. God surely moved in a mighty way and that is what this ministry is all about, touching those who are in need and that is exactly what happened. We witnessed physical healing, Mary is still walking around without her cane, there were emotionally healings as the ladies released anger and fear, and for some there was spiritual healing. I can honestly say that I was healed in more ways than one myself as I served alongside so many that had no agenda other than to be the hands and feet of Christ. I could fill every inch of this newsletter and I still would not begin to touch how awesome this time was for the guests, the team and me. I want to thank all of the outside community as well as the team for your dedication in prayer, support and faith; this Weekend would never have been what God intended it to be if each

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**ADVISORY COUNCIL’S CORNER
LIZ COMPTON, CHAIR**

Reflective letter from Chair:

I was asked to write a letter of reflection as I step down from the KONT Advisory Council.

My KO journey began in the fall of 2003 when I was first invited to be a guest on a Kairos Outside weekend

retreat. It’s hard to believe as I sit here today that all this time has gone by so fast.

After attending the weekend many things in my life changed, one of the most significant ones was the new family I had found in my Kairos Outside sisters.

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Special Prayer Requests

Brothers and Sisters in White as they seek God and His grace through the lockdown of the TDCJ system.

Brothers and Sisters in Southeast Texas and anyone still recovering from the hurricanes.

Traveling protection as Brothers and Sisters return to the units for visitation and ministry.

Tim and Kathy Harless

Troy and Barbara Freeman

Parole decisions

Inside

Marion CI #1—N. Carolina
Chris Callahan, leader
November 6

Outside

KO Colorado #1
Jean Mares, Leader
November 14

Other Requests

Danny Green—child diagnosed with Leukemia, son of coworker of Amber Gonzales.

Special request from McConnell Unit

Special request from Hutchins State Jail

Special request from Hughes Unit

Special request from Boyd Unit

Praise Report

Blessings and love to Harold and Sharon Jenkins on the renewal of their vows.

Blessings and love to Liz and Kurtis Compton on his homecoming.

Our Families

Esmeralda Schwartz and Family in the loss of her father, Mr. Harry Wilson Aguilar, Sr.

Virgil Wilson (husband of Shy Wilson) and family in the loss of his mother, Ms. Peralie Mae Morrison.

Kairos of Texas State Conference in Austin

KAIROS OF TEXAS STATE CHAPTER CONFERENCE

What?

Kairos of Texas State Conference

This is another FIRST!

When?

November 7-9, 2008

Where?

Austin Omni Hotel at Southpark

There will be a social Friday night.

Saturday will be filled with workshops and training sessions...and food.

Sunday will close with everybody together.

Theme

Unity Among Community

For more information see

<http://kotconference.org/index.html>



COMING UP IN 2008

Kairos Inside Weekends

Eastham #16, November 5
Ray Whitney, Leader

Beto #29, November 6
Dwayne Marshall, Leader

Dalhart #19, November 6
Les Underlee, Leader

Kairos Outside Weekends

KO Corpus Christi #5
Marila Colunga, Leader

KO San Antonio #16
Joyce Boelsche, Leader

Please be in prayer for the Inside teams, servants, and participants on units whose Weekends had to be rescheduled due to the lockdown.



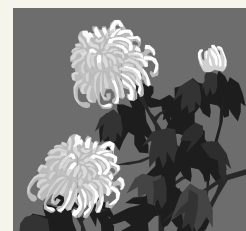
NEEDS AND WANTS

- Outside Community to mark their calendars for October 25th and 26th, 2009 to attend the Walking in Love and Closing Services of Kai-

ros Outside #26. Times will be available at a later date. Location will be: Lake Sharon Christian Center, 2650 Oakmont Dr., Corinth, TX

76210.

- Prayer



KONT CALENDAR



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

KAIROS OUTSIDE OF
NORTH TEXAS
2009 Weekends
26, October 24-26, 2009
Sharon Jenkins, Leader

2010 Weekends

#27—Amber Gonzales, Leader
#28—Shy Wilson, Leader

KAIROS OUTSIDE OF
NORTH TEXAS
2008 - 2009 ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETINGS

The State Conference will serve as our November Advisory Council meeting. We have several members of the Advisory Council attending so please keep them in prayer for traveling and learning.

There will not be a meeting in December. There will be a Kairos Outside/BIC Christmas party. All are welcome to attend, just let us know if you will be there so that we can have a count of participants. Invitations will also be sent at a later date. The party will be at Saturn Road Church of Christ, 3030 Saturn Road, Garland on December 21 at 1:00.

The next Advisory Council meeting will be held January 10th, 2:00 PM at Building the Kingdom Community Church, 308 E. Beltline, Cedar Hill.

NOTES FROM THE ADVISORY COUNCIL

2009 KONT Advisory Council
President—Shy Wilson
Vice President—
Marjorie Whitner
Secretary—Debra Wilmont
Financial Secretary—
Donna Humphrey
Back Up—Audrey Rivera
Treasurer—Mary Alice Garza

State Representative—
Audrey Rivera
Notes:
Three guests from Weekend #25 attended the Advisory Council meeting.
A record number of guests were reported for Weekend #25—33, 25 of whom attended the Reunion held prior

to the AC meeting.
75 people total attended the Reunion.
Discussion was held regarding the need for a training of Core Team Member positions and responsibilities. With the spring open it was determined that this would be an opportune time to hold a training.
Also noted was the possibility



of hosting an AKT training earlier in the year at Lake Sharon. More details to be determined at a later date.

FROM THE EDITOR
CYNDI WINEINGER

I am big on Firsts. Everyone talks about the “First...” because it is the cornerstone for the foundation for all things. In the beginning God created the Heavens and the Earth. I know the first Team I served on—KONT #24. I know the first Closing I attended for Inside—Hutchins #6. I reread the first issue of this newsletter from time to time. And now I have experienced my first First, Hightower #1. And I am eagerly

looking forward to the First Kairos of Texas State Conference in Austin.

God has been working really hard on this newsletter to get information out that HE would have you be aware of. This is, after all, HIS newsletter. And HE is really BIG on Firsts.

Take a moment to make a note to pray for the Firsts. Don't just give them a hiccup of time...really pray. It takes a lot

of work, faith, dedication and prayer to get a First off the ground. They are listed in these pages. Sometimes more than once. Write them on your calendar. Lift them in your churches. Email your prayer partners. We all know how much Satan likes to try to derail the work of God. God's blessings to the team of Hightower #1 who followed the path that God set...despite dealing with the aftermath of a

hurricane. My prayers are with their next Firsts...Instructional Weekend and Reunion. And don't forget our Team Leaders as they prepare for their First Team meetings.

Who's next? Read.
Your Sister in Christ,
Cyndi

Revelations 22:21

**ADVISORY COUNCIL'S CORNER
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Finally a group of people who truly understood where I was coming from and shared with me some of the same experiences I had been through.

I could not help but notice the changes that this weekend had made not only in my life but also in the lives of the other women who had attended, many of whom came broken and left healed.

When I was invited to attend one of the Advi-

sory Council meetings I was so impressed with the commitment and the efforts these women were putting forth for this ministry and after that first meeting I decided to become a member of the Advisory council. My first duty on the council was the appointed role of inventory person. I was to make sure all supplies were ready for the upcoming weekends. The following year I was elected as the treasurer for KONT. During these couple of years I was able to

learn a lot about how things worked behind the scenes and what all it took to get a weekend going.

There is no question in my mind that the women who serve in this ministry have a love for Christ and a desire to serve others.

In the fall of 2005 I served as Leader for KONT weekend #21. What a blessing and joy I received serving in this capacity, leading a team of men and women as we prepared for the weekend retreat. It was a time of grow-

ing and learning and giving back to others as I had been so richly been given.

Over the years I have seen many women come and go but the council has remained faithful and strong, as many women have made the commitment to serve and get the job done.

In recent years we have had many new women come to participate and serve in this ministry and what a blessing that has been.

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**FROM THE TEAM LEADER
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of you had not fulfilled the task that God asked of you. The kitchen crew brought tears and laughter as they entertained us with skits, fashion shows and song as well as serving as escorts for the dinner Saturday night. The core team was supportive and each one gave 125%, as did each and every team member, if I had not gotten out of the way and let God choose the team – well it didn't happen and I could never in a million years have chosen the wonderful people that God did. We had several past leaders serve and had the

honor of the KONT # 1 leader serve as well. I would love to tell you all about it, but to do so I would need more time than the newsletter will allow, so I will leave you with this last tidbit; if you missed the reunion I am sorry; we had our reunion on the 19th, there 75 people in attendance including children, and 24 or 25 were guests from KONT # 25; God took the little food we had and not one person there went without – miracles were abundant for KONT # 25 and I humbly bow before my Lord with thanks and praise for allowing me to be a part of such a

wonderful Weekend and to have had the pleasure of serving with the saints that He chose. Oh, we also have 3 guests who sat in on the Advisory Council and will be going to the State Conference with the rest of us in November; they want to become a part of the AC as well. God is moving in this ministry and I for one am very honored to be a part of such a wonderful family. Thank you for having the faith in me as you did and for allowing me to serve on KONT # 25, because I was just a servant, the only leader we had was Christ.

Kairos Outside of North Texas

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.

PUMPKIN CAKE ROLL FROM LIZ GAFFANEY

Serves about 10 people

3 eggs

1 cup of sugar

2/3 cup pumpkin

1 tsp lemon juice

3/4 cup flour

1 tsp baking powder

2 tsp cinnamon

1 tsp ginger

1/2 tsp nutmeg

(or 3 1/2 tsp pumpkin pie spice can be substituted for last 3 spices)

1/2 tsp salt

1. Beat eggs on high speed of mixer for 5 minutes (a MUST to get this recipe to come out right!)

2. Gradually beat sugar into eggs until thick and lemony (add 1-2 tbsp at a time)

3. Stir in the pumpkin and lemon juice (use a very low speed or stir by hand)

4. Sift together the remaining ingredients and fold into the pumpkin mixture.

5. Spread in a greased and floured jelly roll pan (10" x 15"). Lightly spray pan then cover with waxed paper pushing paper into corners and again lightly spray the waxed paper.

6. Top with 1 cup of finely chopped nuts—I use

pecans. If the nuts are chopped too coarsely they will tear the cake when it is rolled.

7. Bake at 375 degrees for 15 minutes or until the edges start to pull away from wax paper and the center springs back when touched.

8. Immediately turn baked cake out onto a kitchen towel (not terry towel) that has been heavily dusted with powdered sugar. Gently pull the wax paper off the cake and while still hot sprinkle a dusting of powdered sugar on the (now) top side of the cake (the 15" edge) and begin rolling. Leave it

wrapped in the towel till it is cool.

9. While cake is cooling mix filling together: 1 cup powdered sugar, 8 oz. package of cream cheese, 4 tbsp butter and 1/2 tsp vanilla.

10. When cake is cool, unroll cake, spread filling over inside of cake and reroll.

11. Chill until ready to serve. Use a serrated knife to cut it.



ADVISORY COUNCIL'S CORNER (CONT. FROM P. 4)

When serving on the council you are given the opportunity to participate in making decisions and being a part of what makes your KO family special.

As I step down and pass the baton on to Shy Wilson I leave confident that this council will thrive and will grow stronger. I believe these women will serve with honesty integrity and much love.

It might be time for me to step aside but I can assure you that my love and pas-

sion for Kairos Outside moves forwards as I will seek other ways to serve and help the ministry.

A new chapter in my life begins as our family prepares to welcome our loved one home.

On November 6th, 2008 I will be picking up my husband and closing the chapter to our separation due to incarceration.

My prayer is that we will begin a new chapter that will include supporting and helping those who are still

on the journey.

Thank you again for all the love, support and help you have given us over the years.

Thank you Debbie Ross for talking to me and encouraging me to attend a Kairos Outside weekend, I had no idea what a huge gift you were giving me.

I pray I leave my handprint of love evident and clear.

*Much love in Christ
Liz Compton*

GUEST NOTES



I was truly blessed to be able to attend the Kairos #25 weekend as an honored guest as were all the 33 ladies that enjoyed the royal treatment along with me that was provided by the Kairos team members. I was in awe at the attention to little details that meant so much. I think what was most amazing is that God's presence was so tangible that I felt I would turn

around and see Him standing there and smiling at us all. It was more than enough though to simply feel His love and presence throughout every activity. I wish I could be a guest over and over but I look forward on future weekends to being able to bless other ladies as this very hard-working team did for me. THANK YOU KAIROS!! God Bless. Tiffany Stevenson



I was one of the fortunate women to be chosen to attend this most awesome weekend. Not only did I have the opportunity of meeting other women that experienced similar situations with their loved ones incarcerated, but received support and love from our Sisters in Christ to realize that the obstacles that were put in place are to strengthen relationships and lessons to grow in the Lord.

The energy that flowed

through the room was exhilarating and the women that spoke, shared their experiences to allow us to realize there is always hope if you believe. I realized that most of our friends are afraid to see that men in prison are human and deserve a second chance in life. Or, are they afraid to allow themselves to believe that people can change?

This weekend gave me a renewed belief in the Lord and a group of people that

can understand frustration, disappointment and pain without passing judgment. It also provided a time to trust in the powers of the Lord and allow him to free you from the burdens that were carried for so long. The Lord will do things in his time no matter what, but the outcome is so rewarding when you follow Him.

Bless all those women that dedicated their time and efforts to providing this weekend. You made a great dif-

ference in my life, as well as others that attended.

God Bless You All,
Christina Hyden



FROM THE KAIROS COMMUNITY

Keep in prayer our Brothers and Sisters on the KI Hutchins Advisory Council elected last month:

Chair—Duncan Tandy

Agape Coordinator—Michael Hill

Fund Rising/Sponsorship—Spence Lengyell

Food Control—Charlotte Everett

Secretary/Administrative Coordinator—Charlotte Ellis

Institutional Liaison—Tim Harless

Treasurer—Royal Wright

Trailer Coordinator—Garrett Maxwell

State Representative—Virgil Van Schuyver

Financial Secretary—Jeff Edgren

KI Hutchins #7 will be held in the Spring. Virgil Van Schuyver will be Team Leader.



K A I R O S O U T S I D E O F
N O R T H T E X A S

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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

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.



F O O D F O R T H O U G H T
F R O M A L I C E C O D E R

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.

One of my new favorite sayings is "It is what it is" – especially when referring to my diagnosis of breast cancer and lumpectomy this past summer. I had cancer, which was not surprising given a family history of the disease. *It was what it was* and I needed to take care of it and take care of myself. Surgery removed the cancer and I'm currently receiving radiation and taking an oral medication to reduce the possibility of recurrence. About the cancer, the radiation and the medication I found myself saying "it is what it is" and I'll deal with whatever side effects may emerge. Having heard myself utter this phrase over and over again, I be-

gan to reflect on how it relates to my faith. Are things only what they appear to be to our limited, mortal eyes? Where is God in this statement? Romans 12.2 says, "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect." As a person of faith, I choose to believe that God can and does transform me as I relinquish my will and my life to Christ each and every day. Christianity is not a fatalistic faith but one of hope and expectation, joy and deliverance. The radiation may have side effects, but in Christ I can be trans-

formed in my thinking and use this experience to enable me to better serve God and others through compassionate ministry. I can be transformed in my spirit as I use this encounter with a potentially life-threatening disease to help me order my life in ways that are pleasing to God and help build up the Kingdom of God instead of my own little kingdom here in this life. In Christ I discover that cancer and radiation don't define who I am. I am a beloved child of God, and in Christ all things are possible – even my transformation, and yours! Praise God!