



Happy New Year Kairos DCI Family!

As we move into a new year and reflect on the old, Galatians 5:22-23 comes to my mind. "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law."

Did you know, that "fruit" usually means fruit in the sense of edible fruits and vegetables, but it can also be translated as offspring, deed, action, result, or profit? Fruit is a good thing; it is the result of hard work and careful tending. "Fruit" in this verse can mean "deed, action, or result." It helps to make this verse more personal. The result or the work of the Spirit in a believer's life is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, gentleness, and self-control.

I suspect during 2020 many of us were practicing the nine fruit of the Spirit, maybe consciously or unconsciously, perhaps forbearance, kindness and self-control (fruit directed to our self). I have seen many examples of the fruit of the Spirit being played out amongst our Kairos family. We have not only extended the fruit to those in prison, but have extended this fruit to the homeless, to families of the incarcerated, loved ones grieving the heartbreak and challenges of this COVID-19 season and much more.

As the Body of Christ, let us incorporate the fruit of the Spirit into our daily walk with Christ. I would love to hear some of your encounters on your walk with Christ. Let this not be a boastful time but a time of encouragement to those around you and a time to be held accountable. Please send me an email or call me with your encounter. pjshively@yahoo.com or 937.681.3361.

The Fruit of the Spirit

Where Can You Grow in 2021?

Love

"Dear children let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth" (1 John 3:18).

Is your love unconditional? Or is it evident only when everything goes your way?

Joy

"For the joy of the Lord is your strength" (Nehemiah 8:10).

Can you have joy in the chaos? Or does your moodiness hover over everyone like a cloud?

Peace

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-8).

Is your inner person wrecked with anxiety and worry when everything falls apart? Or can you rest in God's peace?

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Forbearance

“Being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience” (Colossians 1:11).

Can you be still and wait on God? Or are you tempted to always move ahead so you can stay in control?

Kindness

“And the Lord’s servant must not be quarrelsome but must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful” (2 Timothy 2:24).

Do others sense your kindness in words and actions? Or are they more accustomed to your angry response?

Goodness

“Dear friend, do not imitate what is evil but what is good. Anyone who does what is good is from God. Anyone who does what is evil has not seen God” (3 John 11).

Are your conversations marked with genuine virtue and honor? Or is your conversation tainted with worldly language, immoral tendencies, or gossip?

Faithfulness

“Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful” (1 Corinthians 4:2).

Does your reputation reflect dependability and steadfastness in the faith? Or do people expect you to be late, undependable, or to drop off the map on a project?

Gentleness

“Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near” (Philippians 4:5).

Is your meek spirit felt around those who live or work with you? Or do they feel that you are a hard and legalistic person to deal with?

Self-Control

“For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age” (Titus 2:11-12)

Do you control your appetites? Or do they control you?

Read more at [What Christians Want to Know - Fruit of the Spirit](#)

ODRC Celebrates Volunteers: Names Kairos as Most Impactful Program and Lauren Wiebe as Volunteer of the Year

On December 17, 2020, the first Statewide Virtual Volunteer event was held by the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction in salute to the over 10,000 volunteers in Ohio. The Zoom call was fraught with technical difficulties but what came through LOUD and CLEAR was the appreciation for the volunteers and the programs at each institution.

The planning committee for this event included Dr. Wanda Suber, Deputy Chief Recreation and Religious Services; Chaplain Damon Butts, Mansfield Correctional Institution; Chaplain Eric Harmon, Mansfield Correctional Institution; Chaplain Alfred Marcus Chillicothe Correctional Institution; Clara Golding-Kent, Wardens Correctional Assistant, Ohio Reformatory for Women.

Annette Chamber-Smith, ODRC Director, thanked the volunteers for all that we do in “normal” times but even more so, the creative ways that we continue to support Ohio’s incarcerated during the past year. Even during a global pandemic, she gave examples of several things that were done including:

- Rock City Church provided soda and snacks for the staff at Madison. They also held a concert outside the compound
- Four Seven Ministries provided support for family members of the incarcerated with a Christmas giveaway
- Harmony Project had an inside choir and rehearsed via Zoom calls
- Kairos sent encouraging messages through jPay

Each region provided a lead to work with each institution to determine the awards, by region, for Most Impactful Program, Volunteer of the Year, Most Valued Staff Member of the Year.

Region	Lead	Institutions
NW	Clara Golding-Kent	AOCI, ManCI, ORW, RiCI, MCI, ToCI, NCCC
SW	Pamela Reid	FMC, CRC, DCI, LeCI, MaCI, LoCI, PCI, WCI
SE	Lorrie Perry	BeCI, CCI, SCI, NCI, RCI, SOCF
NE	Lucretia Kelly	GCI, LorCI, NERC, OSP, TCI, NEOCC, LaECI

For the SW Region, congratulations to our own Chaplain Sylvia Moseley for her award of Most Valued Staff Member.

At the statewide level, Kairos was awarded the Most Impactful Program. Lauren Weibe, State Chair of Ohio KPMI was awarded the Volunteer of the Year. Congratulations to Lauren for Volunteer of the Year. Congratulations to all of you for your support, participation in and prayers for the Kairos ministry. Your involvement helped ODRC see Kairos as the Most Impactful Program for 2020.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Hygiene Collection

In October (forever ago), we had a collection of hygiene items for DCI. Your gifts of hygiene products for the ladies at Dayton Correctional was so fabulous that the facility was able to gift the ENTIRE compound with product. We delivered 60 boxes containing 7,689 products to DCI! God is so good! Thank you for your generosity.



Please be in prayer for:

Kathy Curry's daughter-in-law Becca. She was diagnosed with Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma several years ago, was treated and went into remission a year ago. The Lymphoma has returned and doctors are starting treatment again. Pray for her complete healing and for her family as they go through the treatment process.

DCI Staff and Corrections Officers. Continue to lift the staff at DCI. They are working extremely long hours and have had little breaks. The National Guard is working there to supplement the staff. Continued prayers for the family of Steven Cooke.

DCI Residents. Continued prayers for the health and well-being of the residents of DCI.

COOKIES!

The Kairos DCI Volunteers were given the wonderful opportunity to encourage and show God's love in a very tangible way to the Staff and Corrections Officers at DCI. We baked 300 dozen cookies and distributed them to the staff, Corrections Officers and Ohio National Guard on January 11 and 13 at the beginning and end of their shifts. Each staff member received a dozen cookies (baked with love and covered in prayer) and an agape note.



In this photo: Letty Allen, Marsha Myers, Marcella Churchill, Darlene Fugate, Tammy Jennings, Sue Erbaugh, Barb Ankenman, Pam Shively. (We leave it to you to guess who's who in their masks! 😊)

DCI Advisory Council Meeting

During the year, we have had our AC meetings via telephone. But we held the December meeting via Zoom. As with every first Zoom call, we had our technical difficulties, but issues notwithstanding, it was GREAT to see everyone!



Getting to Know You...

Learn a little about your community members

	<i>Monica Castle</i>	<i>Denice Hogan</i>	<i>Sue Erbaugh</i>
First Kairos Weekend	Kairos 7	ORW 33 in 2010	ORW 24 in 2005
# of weekends served	3	3	9 at ORW 7 at DCI
Favorite Servant Position	Table Leader	Family Assistant	My favorite servant position to date is Chapel Head. I enjoy all of them!
It's a New Year! We're all happy to get out of 2020. What resolutions do you have for 2021?	To be more intentional with building relationships.	I have begun striving to have more discipline and increased consistency. These are two words I have begun to study.	In 2021, I would like to be kinder, more forgiving, and the whole world could benefit from all of us doing that, don't you think?



2021 DCI Advisory Council

Thanks to all who participated in the 2021 Advisory Council elections. Based on your input and the answer to God's call, we welcome to the Advisory Council:

- Sue Erbaugh, Vice Chair
- Ann Cichanowicz, Donor/Financial Secretary
- Marsha Myers, Continuing Ministry
- Letty Allen, Fundraising

Special thanks to outgoing members Lynn Becker and Pat Crotty for their exemplary service!

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