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Welcome to the inaugural issue of the DCI Advisory Council's newsletter. We will be publishing the newsletter quarterly.

We want to use this forum to discuss all things Kairos, to give insight into your Advisory Council and to learn a little bit about each other. In each issue, we plan on having articles from the Chair or our Clergy Director, a deeper dive into Kairos and much more! Since we are new to this, we need your help! First, try as we may, we could not come up with a catchy name for the newsletter. So, the first thing we need is some suggestions for the publication name.

Second, we could use ideas as to what YOU would like to hear from us. Let us know what topics you would like to learn more about.

Finally, as we get more into the purpose and functions of the Advisory Council, if you are interested in (or feel God nudging you to) an area of service, please let us know.

Just in case you don't know who we are, take a look at the last page for a listing of our names, positions and email addresses.

*Your DCI Advisory Council*

### **Greetings from your Advisory Council Chair...**

I'm praying this message finds you and your family in good spirits, healthy and with your eyes and heart firmly focused on Jesus. Set your minds on things that are above...not on things that are on earth. *Colossians 3:2*.

How do you focus on Him instead of the distractions of the world? I'd like to hear from you. Drop me an email [pjshively@yahoo.com](mailto:pjshively@yahoo.com), call or text 937.681.3361.

During COVID-19 and this time of unrest, we have been meeting as a council to conduct the business at hand and always praying for you and our dear sisters at DCI. I miss you folks, your hugs and smiles at prayer and share and reunions. I know we will be back together and I long for that day.

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... Greetings from your Advisory Council Chair (Continued from Page 1)

We have completed an agape letter to **ALL** residents at DCI, not only the Kairos alumni, but all residents! Chaplain Moseley will facilitate distribution of the agape letter via JPay to the entire compound! We ask you to specifically pray that this agape letter touches the hearts of those who read it, that it makes a good difference to them, that they begin to wonder about Jesus and/or that it helps to strengthen their walk with Christ! You will find this agape letter in this edition of our Newsletter.

What has been happening with your AC during this downtime? What downtime? We have been busy!

- Carolyn Hatcher, our Communications Coordinator, has been busy organizing and drafting. Please let us know what you think of your first newsletter. All ideas are welcome.
- Karen Parsons, our Recruiting Coordinator, is using this time to come up with ideas on how to tell our surrounding communities about Kairos. She welcomes your ideas too.
- Cheryl Carter, our State Chapter Committee Rep, continues to attend virtual state meetings.
- Staci White, our Institutional Liaison, is in contact with Chaplain Moseley sharing information about the <https://4thpurpose.org/visitation2/> program, discussing the use of the Your Journey to Freedom Discussion Guide during prayer and share; and what serving at DCI will look like in the future. Staci has also reached out to Chaplain Gross to let her know we have been praying for her.

Although some of our AC members may not have much to do during this standstill, be assured they are attending all meetings and praying continually for this ministry. WE WANT YOU! Advisory Council meetings are open to all members. Come see what we are about. Quiet yourself to see where the Lord is leading you, pray for discernment. Talk to any of us who have served on the advisory council to get an idea of what it is about. Positions become available every year.

There are also a few positions that do not require attendance at council meetings. They are:

- Housing Facility Coordinator
- Prayer Share/Music Coordinator
- Supply Coordinator

I know the Supply Coordinator would love to show you that job. Maybe your share group is interested in doing this job TOGETHER!? Give me a call 937.681.3361. We will be highlighting each position in our upcoming newsletters.

KPMI is monitoring the COVID pandemic nationally and by state, the State Chairs are monitoring their state and communicating with the CEO as to changes. KPMI will put out a statement when we can commence Kairos inside the prisons, and we will keep you posted. In the meantime, check out the article What Can We Do? found in this newsletter. You're invited to attend with me, VIRTUALLY, the KPMI Annual on July 25, 2020. Details to be provided in the near future. Hope to "see" you there!

Another great source of information is the Kairos E-News published by Kairos Prison Ministry International ("KPMI"). You can sign up at <http://mykairos.org/>. Scroll to the bottom of the page to sign up for Kairos E-News.

Sisters, I'm thankful for many things and during this COVID-19 I find myself more thankful for technology, ZOOM and Facebook to be exact. I get to keep up with your lives. But I really need to see you all in person! Just like you, I'm praying for the health of the world and for peace and justice to prevail. I miss you all.

*Listen, Listen, Love, Love*  
Pamela Shively



LISTEN, LISTEN, LOVE, LOVE

## A Piece of the Puzzle

I'm relatively new to the Kairos Volunteer family. I've served on only two weekends. I had a part to play. I was a part of the team. I was a piece of the puzzle. But holding only one piece of a puzzle doesn't give you much insight as to what the whole picture is going to look like.

At the first meeting, I was greeted by many loving and friendly volunteers (who also had pieces). I was also given the entire look at the completed puzzle in the form of the Kairos Program Manual.

YUCK!! I'm one who thinks, "surely I can figure this out without reading the manual!" But as I moved through team formation and the weekend, I realized that there was much I missed by not seeing or understanding the vision for the whole puzzle.

During the team formation meetings, we talked A LOT about riverbanks. Huh? Riverbanks? Yes, Riverbanks is a piece of the puzzle.

While researching for this article, I found a presentation given by Paul Soriano (Florida) and our own Gail Simpson entitled "Living within the Riverbanks." They put Riverbanks into great perspective.

### **What is a Kairos Riverbank?**

Kairos itself might be described as a river flowing between the banks of a river.

A Riverbank "defines boundaries of the ministry that must be honored.

chosen by the leader. Everything must be in sequence. Nothing can be added. Nothing can be substituted.

Riverbanks can sound very restrictive, but Riverbanks can be freeing for the team and the ministry. It allows the entire team to focus on the mission with specific references. It provides a pathway when unforeseen obstacles arise. It provides clear guidance for leaders when team members may want to wander ashore with personal changes or enhancements. It keeps the team in flowing waters and allows the programs to be successful.



Only by honoring the boundaries is the framework and integrity of the ministry securely maintained as Kairos." It is a tool to keep us true to God's mission.

Because Kairos is a global ministry, Riverbanks ensures standardization, helps keep the program ecumenical and helps us to be obedient to God's will.

The Riverbanks of the river Kairos can be wide or narrow at different places. Some areas of the river allow for wider discretion of the leader. Others are very narrow and require only one way to get through. For example, the riverbanks are wide when it comes to scheduling of team meetings. However, talk previews during team formation are on a narrow section of the river. Leadership and other team members must review each talk to ensure obedience to the outline and relevant witness.

And it goes without saying that the entire weekend is on a narrow section of the riverbanks. There are not many paths that can be

Understanding the Riverbanks helps us get a better picture of the finished work of the puzzle. These pieces are so foundational that they are clearly the corners with which to start the puzzle.

We'll talk about more pieces of the puzzle, but you can't really get started on the puzzle without the corners in place.

*Carolyn Hatcher*

## What Can We Do?

Social distancing and quarantines have changed all our lives. And participation in Kairos activities is no exception. Between ODRC and Kairos Prison Ministries International (KPMI), it seems that there is NOTHING we can do to support the women at DCI. But it only seems that way at first glance. There are many things we can do for the residents at DCI and Kairos in the middle of the pandemic!

Here are some ideas:

### Pray

- Add Kairos to your prayer list.
- Pray for the health of the residents and all the COs and essential workers.
- Praise God for Chaplain Moseley's recovery.
- Pray that during this time of isolation, each resident sense the presence of the Holy Spirit in a mighty way. There are zillions of things to lift up to the Lord.

### Ask others to pray

- Make your own COVID-19 Prayer Vigil for DCI. Instead of one time slot, see if you can get a commitment for prayer once a week.

### Make Agape

We don't know when DCI #16 will be but we can **FLOOD** the #16 participants with agape.

- Make writing agape or making posters part of your devotional or journaling time.
- Listen to what God wants you to say. He has many things He wants you to share with the residents through agape.

### Try (and Share) New Cookie Recipes

While we are in, let's look for some new "special" cookie recipes! I've been baking like a mad fiend and trying new recipes for anything with sugar as a main ingredient.

- Try baking a new cookie and share them with your neighbors. That will be a great way to talk about Kairos with your neighbors and show your care for them at the same time.

### Share your heart for the Kairos ministry with others

Tell someone about Kairos (with or without cookies). If they already know, share with them why the ministry is so important to you. Maybe your excitement and passion will be contagious and he or she will want to find out about Kairos personally.

### Spread God's Love!

Don't spread COVID-19!!! Show God's love by caring for and protecting His people. Wash your hands and wear your masks! Find a way each day to share God's grace and love with others. Spread God's love on thick! Sow and water seeds of peace and understanding to all of His children.

*Carolyn Hatcher*



## Save the DATE!

Saturday, July 18:

DCI Advisory Council Meeting  
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Friday, July 24 and Saturday, July 25:

Kairos Virtual Annual Conference



**Kairos Prison  
Ministry  
International**

Praise God for the weekends that are occurring! La Modela Prison in Nicaragua held a men's weekend and Westville Prison in South Africa held a women's weekend.. Keep the residents who were able to attend this weekend in your prayers and continue to pray for other institutions to open their doors for Kairos during the COVID-19 pandemic.

## What Did We Do?

KPMI gave approval for all Kairos Inside Advisory Councils to write a single, general agape letter to share with all the residents within our institution. Staci White, our Institutional Liaison, wrote this letter and sent it to Chaplain Moseley for distribution on the Jpay system. Here is what she said...

Sister,

God has not forgotten you and neither have I! I have been doing the most powerful act ever, praying for you. "Talking to God about you." I want to take this opportunity to share some words of encouragement with you — **Even when you don't see it, He is working... Even when you don't feel it, He is working... Remember God is always near!**

I encourage you to seek the church and be the church. Do you know that the church is not just a building, but rather the PEOPLE who meet in that building? The building is a place to regenerate your faith and gather with those who believe the same as you to help and encourage you on your walk with Christ. The Church is a body of believers, unified and diversified in the Body of Christ. The Church is an action word, people spreading the love and kindness of Christ to the world. **"Who is the Church? You are the Church!"**

I'm sharing these scriptures to uplift you:

***For where two or three are gathered together in my name, I am there in the midst of them. Matthew 18:20***

***He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust." Psalm 91:1-2***

***I sought the Lord, and He heard me, and delivered me from all of my fears. Psalm 34:4***

***Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 1 Corinthians 13:4-5***

I hope you enjoy this Agape [Love] note. I pray you are feeling the prayers of the many Kairos Alumni, DCI Kairos Inside Volunteers and Kairos Volunteers around the world. We believe in prayer and the power of God.

With the restrictions put in place during the COVID-19 Pandemic, I realize this may be difficult for you in many ways especially with cares and concerns for the safety of loved ones. I suggest continually sharing what is on your heart and mind and talk to God as though you were talking to a friend, knowing that He will hear you.

You will be seeing volunteers at DCI again, including Kairos, as soon as it is safe and allowed first by Kairos Prison Ministry International, then ODRC and finally the individual Institutions.

Remember to **Pray without ceasing!** 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Blessings be yours—  
From A Kairos Volunteer

# Community News

## Tiffany Giehls

Our sister and servant, Tiffany R. Giehls and her husband are moving to Florida in a few weeks. We will miss her and wish her the best in their new home. You can stay connected with Tiffany on Facebook. Her email is [purrduffy@gmail.com](mailto:purrduffy@gmail.com) and phone is 937.238.5806.



## Brownie Brown

It is with great sadness that we let you know that Philip (Brownie) Brown passed.

He was a disciple of Christ and spoke of his faith often, always drawing to the conclusion that God expects us to love one another. He lived out his devotion to his faith by devoting nearly every day to helping his family and friends. He was an active member of Cobblestone Church in Lebanon. He volunteered often with Kairos Prison Ministry and was excited by their cause and efforts. At the end of his life, he was looking forward to taking on the role as Leader of the next Kairos, which was an honor for him to be able to do.

Brownie performed many funeral and wedding services in his time as a minister and brought great comfort to those he ministered to. He also helped lead a local Bible study.

He died peacefully in his home on the morning of June 14, 2020. He is with the Lord and has surely earned his place in Heaven.

May we always carry your wisdom and love with us, Brownie.

*"Treat everyone with politeness, even those who are rude to you - not because they are nice, but because you are. Love the ones in your life like this may be the last minute with them... it very well may be... take some time to think about it. Life is short, people. Don't have regrets later, it hurts so bad for so long... exercise your Spirit... Love... then love again... and keep loving..."*

~ Brownie Brown

## Getting to know you!

Learn a little about your community members!

### Crystal Walker

First Kairos Weekend ORW #24

# of weekends Served Over 10!

Favorite Servant Position Table Servant

Two Truths and a Lie

- Has 9 Grandchildren
- Plays the Piano
- Loves chocolate

### Sunny Gilpin

First Kairos Weekend DCI #7

# of weekends Served 5 (I think)

Favorite Servant Position Ahhh. All of them are so rewarding in so many different ways. I helped in the kitchen my first one and it was behind-the-scenes, but I got to know the Angels who worked along side us so well. The tables are always rewarding because you actually get to witness God at work in real time. Being a servant was one of the most incredible because we were able to give the women something that they rarely ever get – CHOICES and to BE SERVED. I know so many of them feel unworthy to be served and it was my greatest honor to do that for them.

Two Truths and a Lie

- Met my husband online
- Deadlifted 300 pounds
- Loves avocados

# Community Fun!

Now that we've gone over the Riverbanks, have some fun finding Riverbanks concepts:

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Chapel  
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Outlines  
Prison  
Sacrifice  
Warden

Agape  
Ecumenical  
Humility  
Love  
Prayer  
Respect  
Servant

Anonymous  
Formation  
Jesus  
Narrow  
Prepare  
Riverbanks  
Steward

## DCI Advisory Council

Here is your DCI Advisory Council. Feel free to contact us!

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