

### **Purpose of Kairos Outside.**

Kairos Outside is designed to support the wives, mothers and female relatives of men and women who are incarcerated. This is done by providing a safe environment for a short time with Christian people and the opportunity to interact with women in similar situations. We believe that the women related to the incarcerated are “doing time” right along with their loved ones. We want to let them know that there is a Christian community who cares about them and their needs. The weekend process will provide an opportunity to not only explore one’s relationship with God, but to also experience a time of fun, music, great food and community.

### **What Happens at Kairos Outside?**

The weekend is a series of talks by women sharing their life journey. Each participant has the opportunity to review the talk in small groups. However sharing in the small group is voluntary. The program is interspersed with music, prayer, fun activities and general pampering. We expect the women in attendance to stay for the entire program. The weekend is Christian in nature, although no religious affiliation is necessary to attend.

### **Who may attend Kairos Outside?**

Any woman that has been impacted by having a loved one incarcerated in a State or Federal Correctional facility.

Also, those women that have been incarcerated and were not able to attend a Kairos weekend while inside an institution may attend. This program is not limited to those women whose loved one has attended a Kairos weekend. The weekend is not coed. No men are permitted in the community room with the women.

### **Who Presents the Weekend?**

Kairos Outside team members come from many different Christian denominations and are committed to ministering to inmates and their families. All the team members have attended one of a variety of Christian weekends such as Cursillo, Walk to Emmaus, Pilgrimage, Via de Cristo, Tres Dias and other such programs. They also may be active in the Kairos Prison Ministry in various institutions throughout North Carolina. The team is made up of 28-30 women, 8-10 men (cooks) and 2 clergywomen.

The program starts on Friday night at 6:30 p.m. and continues until Sunday mid-afternoon. There is no cost to the participants. Local Christian communities provide the funds.

The weekends are held at retreat centers in North Carolina. The facility provides everything except your personal articles. Dress is casual and comfortable. Transportation can be provided if you need it.

### **Do I have to be a Christian to come on the weekend?**

NO. All we ask is for a woman to be open to discussion from a Christian perspective.

### **What shall I tell my husband about the men on the weekend?**

The men are present to prepare and serve the meals. They do not participate in the meeting room activities.

### **Why should I give up a weekend visit with my loved ones to come to Kairos Outside?**

The journey as a wife or mother of an inmate is difficult. Many of the people in the outside world do not understand your position and may even reject you. This weekend is designed to give support from women who are in the same situation and from other Christian people who care about you and your loved one.

Kairos Outside weekends are held in eastern and western NC in the spring and fall each year.

To obtain information on the next available weekend in North Carolina, simply write to one of the addresses on this brochure or contact us via email:

**[info@kairosoutsidenc.org](mailto:info@kairosoutsidenc.org)**



Demonstrating God's grace  
and love through Christian  
support for women who have loved  
ones who are or who  
have been incarcerated.

For more information, please write to:

Kairos Outside of Eastern North Carolina  
PO Box 37163  
Raleigh, NC 27627

or

Kairos Outside of Western North Carolina  
PO Box 2543  
Shelby, NC 28151-2543

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“The mission of Kairos Prison  
Ministry, Inc. is to bring Christ's  
love and forgiveness to all  
incarcerated individuals, their  
families, and those who work with  
them, and to assist in the transition of  
becoming a productive citizen.”

I am interested in attending a  
Kairos Outside Weekend

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