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Kairos of California
Monthly Newsletter

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Doing Something Right!

"We are hard-pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but in despair persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed"
2 Corinthians 4:8-9 (NKJV)

Thank God, September is over! That's the thought I woke up with this morning. September started with a wonderful Weekend inside the prison, and everything came crashing down on Tuesday: there was fraud on my bank accounts. Sigh. I will tell you that throughout September not a whole lot went well, but I have this extraordinary calm about the situation. This is the verse (and the Acappella song that sings it) that I have been remembering daily. When we are beset on every side by the trials of this life – or as says in verse 10, "always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies." – we must be doing something right for all these troubles! Remember Job? He was also beset with the full destruction of his family, his livelihood, even his health. Yet, Job remembered that the Master of Life is in charge. Job declared in 1:21, "the Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord." And so it is with us. I usually gauge how "right" things are going with how much the stuff that doesn't really matter goes bad. We must be doing something right!

"Every adversity, every failure, every heartache carries with it the seed of an equal or greater benefit."

~ Napolean Hill

"Show me someone who has done something worthwhile, and I'll show you someone who has overcome adversity."

~ Lou Holtz

Check this out: all videos from the conference are NOW on the Kairos Prison Ministry videos! Many of these can be used as an opportunity to start a conversation with those who have not yet volunteered. Also, there's great information "how to" in there as well! Please help us to **celebrate the Kairos 50th anniversary! October** is **Kairos History Month**: *Share a brief history of your accomplishments with Kairos and send that to Angie*

***Let's remember that our Five-Year Growth plan is to grow new communities: 2 Kairos Torch, 4 Kairos Outside and 4 Kairos Inside** while we are still maintaining the existing ones!*



Everyone counts!
Kairos' annual elections are underway. Make sure your voice is heard!

***Send your Weekend info** to Jackie Cuneo on our handy input form, found on the KairosofCalifornia website. **JACKIE** will post on the calendars of KPMI as well as KairosofCalifornia*

News you can use from KPMI!
- *Elections* are happening NOW! It's to replicate yourself – 3-on/1-off is not just a serving suggestion
- Expand your reach video for recruiting
Don't forget to read God's Special Time

Special Events in CA

"Oh oh I heard it through the Grapevine"
Post your events on the KairosofCalifornia calendar and check it out for upcoming events:

Kairos Weekends
10/08-11 – FCI Victorville #19 ***we're back!***
10/16-18 – KO Desert #33
10/25-28 – USP Lompoc #38

Other Dates to Remember
10/01 – Kairos Prayer call
10/15 – Kairos Torch Prayer call ***watch the KairosofCalifornia.org calendar for call-in details***

NEW!
For the 50th
October – Kairos History Month – Share a brief history of your accomplishments with Kairos and send that to Angie

If you had a Weekend in September
Excellence Initiative report must be sent ***within 3 weeks after a Kairos Weekend***

PLEASE NOTE: ALL WEEKEND *CHANGES* NEED TO BE REPORTED TO *Jackie Cuneo*

Prayer Corner

Freely you have received, freely give.
Matthew 10:8

Forgiveness is a Choice!

We all sin and say things we should not say or do then wish we had not! We make too many mistakes and hurt others with our tongues inadvertently – and sometimes on purpose – in the process of our daily lives. Seeking forgiveness is the only way to bring genuine healing to a harmed relationship in order that both individuals can move forward together in the relationship with courage, freedom and strength.

When you say, "I am not the one at fault. Are you telling me I should still ask for forgiveness?"

Yes. Because when it comes to restoration and reconciliation of a relationship, it does not matter who asks for forgiveness first, but rather, that forgiveness is given and received by each other! You see when forgiveness has been received freely on our part (a choice we make), we must be quick to offer it freely to others and receive it from others! Therefore, choose to forgive and let go of the anger and resentment! Then be reconciled one to and other in Christ! Amen & Amen! +Larry