



KOSA Newsletter

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Weekend #13

- Dates: April 13-15, 2007
- Theme: Ps. 91: 1-2

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

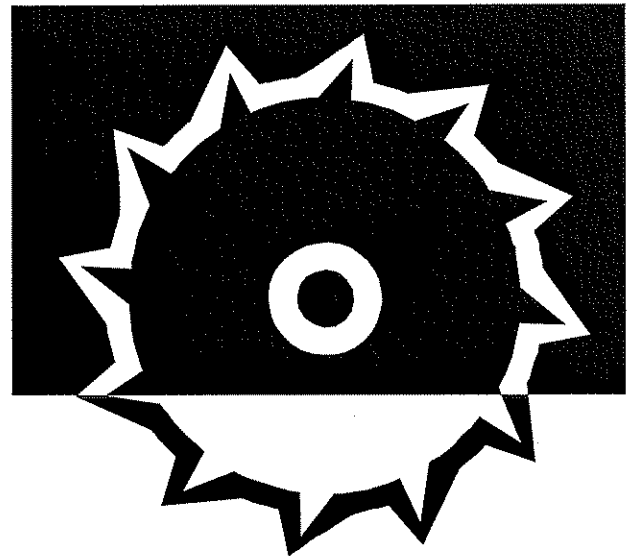
I will say of the Lord, "He is my Refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

- Team Leader:
Jean Blackstone
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First Edition of Newsletter

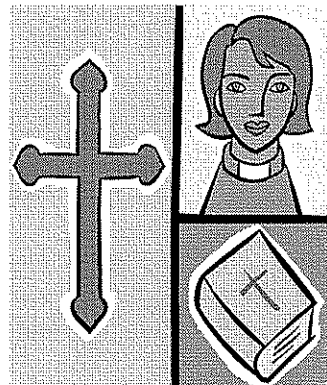
We are very excited about this first issue of our quarterly newsletter. With all the events we have going, it is important for us to have a format that allows us to share with team members, past, present and future guests and others who wish to become volunteers or donors.

Our goal is to reach as many people as we can through the information highway. But for those individuals who are not on-line or for those times when we want to leave a new contact with food for thought, printed copies of this newsletter provides the perfect way to share our message and events.



We are busy getting in gear for this ministry.

Speaking of our message: "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." Our goals as Kairos Outside are to provide a safe place where unconditional love and acceptance is given toward encouraging the sharing of one's life journey. We hope to create opportunities for fostering a relationship with God, spiritual growth, as well as, promote participation in support groups. We are dedicated to women impacted in any way by incarceration.



WANTED: Female Clergy

Do you know a wonderful woman of God?

We are always in need of female clergy to act as Spiritual Directors for our weekend retreats. We need both ordained and highly quali-

fied women representative of various denominations.

If your thinking of someone, please direct her to us or contact us to sing her praises at 210/204-4424 or kosan-antonio@hotmail.com.



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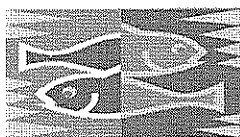


So in Christ we who
are many form one
body, and each
member belongs to all
the other.

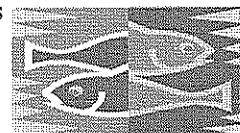
Romans 12:5

Review of Weekend #12: Mary Ramirez

Jesus told his disciples that
the greatest commandments
were to love
God with all
of our heart
and to love
one another as
we would love ourselves.
Kairos Outside has been a
way for me to do both. As



leader of weekend #12, I had
the privilege to be right in
the middle of God's
work and I learned
many lessons
through this
experience
— namely that He
is always in control.
There is no greater blessing



in this world than to be a
blessing to others. God put
together a wonderful team,
each one with a very special
gift to add to that
weekend and I
thank God for
giving me the
opportunity to
serve right along with them.

Calendar of Events

Jan 21: Advisory Council
Meeting, 2:30 p.m. @ St.
Mark's United Methodist
Church, 1902 Vance Jack-
son.

Jan 27: Garage & Bake Sale,
8:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. @ All
American Trophy Shop,
2311 Culebra.

Feb 10 & 24: Weekend #13
Team Meetings, 8:30 a.m.-
3:00 p.m. @ St. Mark's.

Feb 10: Valentine's Fund-
raising Dinner, 7:00-9:30
p.m. @ St. Mark's.

Feb 18: Advisory Council
Meeting, 2:30 @ St. Mark's.

Mar 17 & 31: Weekend
#13, 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. @
St. Mark's.

Apr 13-15: Weekend 13,
Beginning 4:00 p.m. Friday
@ Camp Capers.

Apr 15: Closing Ceremo-
nies, 2:30 p.m. @ Camp
Capers.

*"He will lift you
up on Eagle's
wings and hold you
in the palm of his
hand."*

Ps 91

Weekend #13: Jean Blackstone April 13th-15th

Ps 91:2 "He is my Refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

With this Scripture as my daily prayer, Team Formation is underway and I see God's hand in the blend of prior team members and guests, ready to serve Him on the upcoming Weekend. Each one comes with a gift that only that person can give. As those gifts are revealed, and we grow in love, in forgiveness of ourselves and others, my prayer is that

we will be a bonded community of love seeing others as Jesus sees them. Out guests will know we are Christians by our love for them and each other,

We ask for your prayers for the guests, team and for me as the Leader of KOSA #13. Leadership is a humbling experience!

You are most welcome to join us as an Angel providing guest transportation,



helping with the unseen details that make a weekend happen, financial assistance, and especially your attendance at our Closing Ceremony on the 15th.

May we always see others as Jesus sees them...

Garage Sale & Bake Sale January 27th

With Winter forcing us indoors, it's time to clean out the closets and get creative in the kitchen.

Lucy Arellano is hosting this fundraiser at her All American Trophy Shop located at 2311 Culebra. It is around the corner from Bandera where you'll find the HEB

on 24th Street.

If you'd like to help with the sale, come anytime between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

If you can't come to the sale but would like to drop off donations of "good finds" or tasty treats, you can drop things off during store hours

— 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mon-Fri.

We ask that you bag your goodies for easy selling with 2 to 4 items per bag. Lucy's brewing coffee. MMmmm! How can you pass that up?

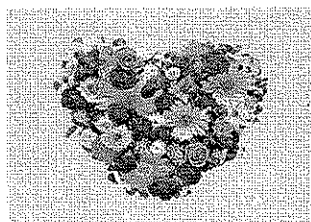
If you have questions, call Lucy @ 736-6353.

Valentine's Fundraising Dinner February 10th

We are all God's Valentine! To celebrate this sentiment, we ask you to join us on our first annual Valentine's Fundraising Dinner.

The dinner is from 7:00-9:30 p.m. at St. Mark's United Methodist Church located on 1902 Vance Jackson. And open for all ages.

For a \$10 donation per person you will enjoy a three course meal, live music, dancing and the chance to



win door prizes. More importantly, your donation will greatly support our ministry by helping fund our upcoming weekend.

Don't delay. Make plans today.

Please RSVP to 210-204-4424.

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Kairos Outside is a Ministry that is ecumenical, that is designed for supporting families of persons incarcerated among the 158,000+ in the prisons of our state of Texas.

Often through no fault of their own, women are placed in situations of being sole bread winner and caretaker of their family.

This journey is difficult and one that may not be understood by the general public, by their own families, or even their own church community.

Kairos Outside is a Christian Ministry for the women of these families offering them support and encouragement.



How Can You Help?

Sponsorship

Your financial support is a tax deductible contribution used for the food and housing costs of a Kairos Outside Weekend.

Your donation of \$125.00 will pay the basic expenses of a guest on the upcoming weekend. Guests are never charged for the weekend.

Please complete the "Sponsorship Form" on the next page and mail with donation to the address noted above.

If you have non-monetary donations or are associated with a business able to assist with discounts please call or email.

Volunteering

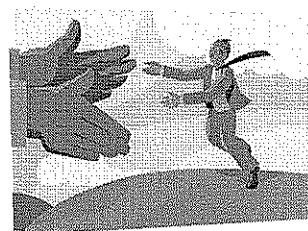
There are many ways to support this ministry:

- Serve as a Team Member on a weekend;
- Share information with potential guests;
- Provide transportation for guests;
- Volunteer as a Day Angel for a few hours to help where needed; or
- Provide Agape (from snacks to craft items).

To find out how to become a volunteer, contact us by phone or email. We look forward to working with you!

Participants

If you know of a woman who might benefit from a Kairos Outside Weekend. Whether she is related to someone incarcerated or has been so herself, she can benefit greatly from the love and support of KOSA. Please have her contact us by phone or email. You may contact us and help to make a connection if you feel she needs encouragement.



We can always use your helping hands.



Sponsorship Form

() \$125.00 Full Sponsorship

() _____ Donation

Make checks payable to Kairos Outside San Antonio

Mail to: KOSA, 1902 Vance Jackson, San Antonio, TX 78213

Your Name or Company:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone # _____

***Kairos Outside is a nonprofit organization funded by donations
and operated by Lay Volunteers.***

If you would like more information, please contact Kairos Outside — Texas

www.kairossoftexas.org or www.kairosprisonministry.org

Weekends currently provided in the following areas:

Amarillo, Corpus Christi, Houston, Midland, North Texas, San Antonio and
Wichita Falls



Kairos Outside of San Antonio
Fundraiser

February 10, 2007

7 – 9:30 p.m.

St. Mark's United Methodist Church
1902 Vance Jackson

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Enjoy dinner, music and door
prizes

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