**Kairos Prison Ministry Description at Toledo Correctional Institution (ToCI)**

The purpose of **Kairos** is to establish strong Christian communities among the populations of correctional institutions here in the U. S. (36 states) and in 9 foreign countries around the world.

The objective is to impact the correctional environment through the action of the resident (inmate) leaders as apostles of Jesus Christ, in ALL areas of human activity in the prison. Kairos has been called the best example of the early church in existence today.

It begins with a 3-day short course in Christianity (called a **Kairos Weekend**), but continues on for years ahead. A Kairos Weekend is similar to outside weekends (Emmaus Walk, for example), but is different in several ways. There is a great emphasis on the team members listening and loving, and on the residents to forgive themselves and others. Kairos is basically for unbelievers, whereas outside weekends are for believers.

Many outside volunteers that go “behind the walls” (up to 45) are needed for each Weekend at ToCI. Many more participate “outside the walls” behind the scenes (pray for 30 minutes, bake cookies, give money, make placemats, prepare agape posters, attend the Closing Ceremony, on Sunday evening, etc.). The institution selects (God chooses) the 36 new residents to be ministered to during the 3 ½ days of the Weekend.

**Two Weekends** are held each year. In addition, the **Continuing Ministry** includes two 2-Day Retreats, Monthly Reunions (usually 3rd Sunday of each month), and weekly Prayer and Share on Thursday afternoons.

New volunteers are recruited primarily from men who have completed an outside Weekend like Emmaus, Via de Christo, etc. However, each Weekend Leader has the flexibility of selecting some who have NOT been through a 3-day Weekend (up to 20% of the total team members).

**Qualifications for Kairos Volunteers**

As set forward by Kairos Prison Ministries International (KPMI), there are 6 qualifications for any man wishing to serve inside of Toledo Correctional as a Kairos volunteer:

1. Believe in the Trinity of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit
2. Be worshipping regularly in his/her Christian church
3. Be recommended by his minister/pastor/priest
4. Be committed and able to participate in the entire Kairos weekend
5. Have participated in a 3-day short course (“street weekend”). However, the Weekend Leader can have up to 20% of his team composed of men who have not personally experienced such a “street weekend”
6. Participation in a Prayer and Share group

If these qualifications are not met, written permission of the KPMI Executive Director is required in order to serve on a Kairos team.

**Volunteer Responsibilities at Toledo Correctional**

There are 6 major responsibilities that Kairos volunteers have as a Weekend team member. If for any reason the volunteer *CANNO*T commit to ALL 6 of the items listed below, they should wait and be a team member on the another Weekend. These 6 responsibilities are:

1. Attend ALL Weekend team formation meetings on Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
2. Attend the 3 ½ day Weekend that begins at 2:30 PM on a Thursday and runs to 3:30 PM on a Sunday.
3. Prepare 36 hand-written letters (1 for each resident), with words of encouragement, etc.
4. Get family and church members (and friends) to bake and pray over 150 dozen cookies.
5. Get family / church members (and friends) to contribute $150 to help pay for Weekend costs.
6. Attend Monthly Reunions for 1 year (usually held on 2nd. Sunday from 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM).

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**Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Full Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**(as it appears on your driver’s license)**

**Nickname (or common name) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Home Address:** (**street/route/box**) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**City:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Gender:** M \_\_\_ F\_\_\_

**Race:** Caucasian\_\_\_ Black\_\_\_ Hispanic\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**What YEAR were you born in ?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Protestant:\_\_\_ Catholic:\_\_\_\_**

**Church where I regularly worship:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Are you “Clergy?”** Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

 **If Yes, church / denomination where you are ordained? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Are you a Musician?** Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

 **If yes, what Instrument(s)? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Have you attended a qualifying Christian renewal weekend?** Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

**If yes, circle name of Movement:**

*Christ Renews His Parish Episcopal Cursillo (or Happening youth weekend)*

*Catholic Cursillo Walk to Emmaus (or Chrysalis youth weekend)*

*Lutheran Via De Christo Cum Christo*

*Tres Dias Koinonia*

*Great Banquet Awakening youth weekend*

*High School Catholic Kairos*

**Community \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Weekend Number\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_\_ City / State \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Are you willing to serve inside Toledo Correctional Institution?** Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

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MINISTER / PASTOR / PRIEST

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**Today’s date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Name of the Potential Kairos Volunteer (“PKV”) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**E-mail:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Are you a Kairos Volunteer? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_**

**What is the best way for us to contact you if we have questions about this “PKV” ?**

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**What is your relationship to the “PKV” ? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Does the PKV worship regularly at his home church ? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_**

**Why are you recommending that this “PKV” participate in Kairos Prison Ministry?**

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**How long have you known “PKV” ? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Do you believe that this “PKV” is in a good emotional and spiritual state, fully capable of participating in a Kairos weekend inside a men’s prison ? *Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_***