



Kairos Prison Ministry  
Toledo Correctional Institution  
Toledo, Ohio

## Prison Vocabulary

<b>Bit</b> .....	Your sentence
<b>Blues</b> .....	State prison uniform
<b>Break</b> .....	Any combination of commissary food items
<b>Buck Rogers time</b> .....	A very long sentence
<b>Cabbage</b> .....	Marijuana
<b>Cellie</b> .....	Roommate
<b>C.O.</b> .....	Prison guard
<b>Debbies</b> .....	“Little Debbie” snack cakes
<b>Dishwater stew</b> .....	Water with vegetable particles
<b>Flop</b> .....	Being turned down for parole
<b>Five-0</b> .....	Police
<b>Foxy</b> .....	A combination of beverages high in caffeine and sugar
<b>Getting paid</b> .....	Being granted parole or judicial release
<b>Gray shirt</b> .....	Prison guard
<b>Hole</b> .....	Jail within prison
<b>Hooch</b> .....	Homemade wine
<b>Joint</b> .....	Prison
<b>Kickin it</b> .....	Hanging out and talking
<b>Kite</b> .....	Inner-institutional communication
<b>Ninjas</b> .....	Special response team for mass shakedown and riot control
<b>O.P.I.</b> .....	Ohio Prison Industries
<b>Pack</b> .....	A pack of cigarettes used as money
<b>P.C.</b> .....	Protective custody
<b>Player</b> .....	Con-artist
<b>Pouch</b> .....	Bag of tobacco
<b>Roll-up</b> .....	Cigarette
<b>Salty</b> .....	Upset
<b>Short</b> .....	Close to outdate
<b>Snitch</b> .....	Informant
<b>Tow-point-four</b> .....	Cell inspection where all personal belongings have to fit in a 2.4 cubic foot box
<b>Two-for-one</b> .....	Pay back two items for every one borrowed