

Kairos of the Albemarle Newsletter

Kairos PCI

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Advisory Council Elects Officers

The Advisory Council in a November 18, 2011, meeting elected officers for 2012 as follows:

Chairperson	Randy Haberstumpf
Financial Secretary	Doug Spaeth
Secretary	Helen Ellenwood
Treasurer	Judy Atwell
Institutional Liaison	Gary DeCastillia
State Chapter Rep	Judy Atwell
Agape Coordinator	Pat Ruckle
Food Control Coordinator	Lesia Berry
Fundraising Coordinator	Jack Vincent
Outreach Coordinators	Charles Stallings & Sheri Dennis
Mentoring Coordinator	Dave Berry & Randall Hall

There were also others elected to supportive roles which are not mandatory but will provide needed support to the PCI Kairos chapter.

Kairos PCI # 25 Needs You

Recruiting has begun for Spring's 2012 PCI #25. The weekend is being led by Lonnie Rasmussen.

Please prayerfully consider your role in PCI #25. Will you serve on the Inside and Outside Support Teams. Volunteering for the Inside Team means a true commitment to all the training sessions and the four-day weekend. This is a TEAM effort and rapport and spirit are built through the training process. The Inside Team goes into the prison as a cohesive, bonded group.

God bless all those who give so diligently to Kairos.

**Quarterly Team Meeting:
January 21, 2012, 6-8 pm @ EMC**

Chairman's Corner

The PCI Kairos advisory council has established some short term goals as follows:

- The council to meet more frequently; the third Friday of each month
- Increase the visibility of PCI Kairos in the community. We now have business cards that will be available at the January Team meeting.
- Establish more training for leadership roles for weekends and conduct training at quarterly team reunion meetings
- Increase the advisory councils involvement and effectiveness in the PCI Kairos community to provide more support to weekend leaders

Chairman Randy Haberstumpf wishes everyone *a Jesus-filled Christmas and Happy New Year.*

PCI Kairos Prayer and Share

Each Monday night PCI residents from four units meet with Kairos team members for a time of sharing and prayer. Presently, the number of residents attending exceeds 70. The 3rd Monday night of each month is called "Reunion." This is a full-hour program led by the PCI residents. These reunion meetings continue to deepen spiritually exhibiting and reflecting spiritual maturity and

are building a fund from their personal resources to purchase personal items for residents who do not have the current resources to acquire these items. This is another example of the Christian growth at PCI.

Resident Testimonies bring us to Tears and Laughter

There are over 40 testimonials posted on our Kairos website: kairospcinc.org

leadership among the current Kairos population within PCI. A number of residents have come forward to take a leadership role in the "Reunion" program.

During this Christmas season, PCI Kairos residents



Please visit the website and read them all. They will touch your heart. In the words of C.S.:

**"Kairos is my Everything.
My Strength and love!"**

Resident's Have a Giving Heart

PCI residents are taking up donations from their fellow residents to be donated to a local charity in NE North Carolina. Kairos was asked to assist by selecting the charity and assisting in facilitating this effort. The prison has approved Kairos partnering in this request.

We have contacted Albemarle Hopeline which is a private, non-profit organization dedicated to serving victims of family violence, sexual assault, and teen dating violence. Hopeline serves six Counties: Pasquotank,

Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Perquimans, and Gates.

Kairos will match the resident's donation in a spirit of brotherhood. Kairos has received several hundred dollars in donations. Our cooperation demonstrates that we want to support the residents' charitable work.

State Chapter Rep Attends Meeting in Raleigh

Most North Carolina chapters were represented. The group had a wonderful opportunity to discuss issues common to all of us and those specific to an individual program.

Two issues that all will work on: communication and recruitment. The Email list will be updated and disseminating information will be improved. Many Kairos programs suffer from lack of new members. The Kairos guidelines state after three weekends, team members should take a break. But in most programs there are not enough people to fill in for those on R & R.



In the Western region particularly, there are facilities asking for Kairos to come to them, but team members are already spread so thinly they can't accommodate all requests. As Mike Whatley said, *"this is not a contest – this is God's work and we do what we can with those we have."*

Other notes:

On the national front there is an initiative for pairing with the YMCA to be able to use their facilities.

A representative from the Bob Barker Foundation was there as a visitor explaining his company's program to assist in reducing the recidivism rate. This may be an

opportunity to explore for Barnabas House.

Mike Whatley is associated with the Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries of North Carolina. He said the organization has money set aside for grants to NEW ministries. This again is an opportunity for Barnabas House.

Contact Council State Rep Judy Atwell for more details.

If you have any questions, email us at:

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