



Kairos of the Albemarle Newsletter

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PCI-26 Weekend

By: Fred Ellinwood

The weekend was lead by Fred Ellinwood.

Fred shared the following, "Teaming for PCI-26 began with some concern for the numbers of team members. After schedule changes to allow others teaming on EA-97 and BC-10 to attend the required number of meetings, our first meeting was an encouraging one."

"The enthusiasm and spirit of bonding continued throughout the Saturday meetings. Our six first-time team members quickly became part of our kairos family. We had the support of five wonderful ladies, who fed us at every team meeting, participated in the teaming process, performed all the duties of the support team, and provided the finest display of Agape that I can remember."

"By November 1, there were 26 team members willing to go the extra mile to keep from turning away any resident participants. Chaplains Hackett and Crumpler provided seven excellent resident table servants, who brought an even greater sense of family to the weekend."

"While the number of participants arriving on November 1st was not the number we had hoped for, we had 22 men who were hungry for the truth of God, and for 3 ½ days they experienced God's unconditional love. The best I can say is, "Praise God and thank you Jesus."

NC Correctional for Women

By: Pat Ruckle

"What a privilege to team on Kairos 37 at NC Correctional Institute in Raleigh in October," said Pat Ruckle. Pat was joined by Martha Haberstumpf. Pat and Martha's teaming experience was a one of learning, sharing God's love, and friendship.

The team was small in numbers accommodating three tables with 18 participants. Pat served at the table of Elizabeth with six residents at the table ranging in ages from 19 yrs to 45 yrs. Once the ladies gained confidence with their team and table mates, they opened up and shared their life stories. It did not take Pat and Martha long to grow to love these ladies.

Pat shared one story. "She was a tall woman with an incomplete education. As a young child, pre-school age, her father had sexually abused her. This continued into her adult life and, sad to say, there were six other males of her family that did the same throughout her growing years. It was no surprise that she had relationship issues and three children by three different men, none of the men remained in a long term relationship. Not only had the father violated his daughter but she told of times when he would lock her outside after dark and taunt her with 'they are coming to get you.' Other

times he would put duct tape on her mouth, wrists and ankles and enclose her in a dark closet.”

Pat said, “My heart broke for her. This resulted in her having forgiveness issues for this man, now dead five years.”

Pat shared, “The good news is that Jesus set her free on the night she choose to take a step of obedience and write down the name of her father on the paper she would see dissolve in water. Wow! I visually saw a change come over her face! When she stood at open mic during the closing service, she spoke of having come into the weekend as that bound-up little girl in a closet, but now the horrible fear and weight of anger was gone. Only Jesus can truly set the prisoner in all of us free like that!”

Pat would love for the opportunity to return. Though it is a schedule and distance challenge, she would team in a heartbeat. Pat has asked the Kairos community to pray about teaming on a women’s facility weekend.

The next weekend leader is Jana Jenkins. She has been in ICU in the past weeks and needs our prayers. So, let’s pray for her and that God would thwart the enemy’s efforts to disrupt this teaming and hinder God’s people.

On another note, Pat wants the Kairos community to know of an opportunity to team on “Kairos Outside.” It will be held April 12 – 14, 2013 with teaming beginning on February 9th. Please contact Laurie Baldrige at 252 236-2102. Pray for the Kairos ministry as a whole which continues to have a decrease in team volunteers.



A Word from Our Chairman

As the year comes to a close, Randy wishes to highlight some accomplishments. The counsel has started some new programs. There are now folders to reuse from weekend to weekend to cut down on cost of copies and relieve the weekend leader from this task. The council also started the resident council in the prison, which is functioning quite well

and exhibiting the maturity of the residents in PCI. We also have a website: <http://kairospcinc.org>. We are currently working on some fund raisers and focusing on recruiting new team members.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

We have not received any nominations for 2013 Advisory Council.

The date for the elections has been extended to allow you to make nominations.

The closing of nominations is 12/10/12 and the election by ballot will be on 12/17/12.

Please send nominations to: rjh_nc@yahoo.com or call 252 473-3964.

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If there are questions in the Kairos community, please direct them to any of the council members. Randy would like to wish everyone a safe and blessed Christmas and New Year.

**State Rep Report:
Judy Atwell, State rep.**

The State Rep meeting on Saturday, Dec 1, was one of the largest to date. Along with the State Reps from all but three programs, many of the Financial Secretaries were there and officers from the Ad Councils.

- We approved the election of a new national director.
- New state officers were elected: Bob Clinkscales was re-elected as Chair; Mike Whatley – Vice chair East; Mary Ketter – Vice chair Central; Carl Paugh – Vice Chair West; Charlie Walls – Financial Secretary; Rex Wicker – Treasurer; Chris Callahan – Secretary.
- Charlie Walls urged the importance of accurate reporting of all income and expenses. He reported that according to the current audit, 60% of programs nationally are out of compliance in one way or another and if this is not corrected it could put our non-profit status in jeopardy. He reviewed new reporting forms and urged all state programs to comply with the guidelines. PCI pays a portion of the \$4000 fee for our state audit. If we had clean records the cost of that audit would be reduced, saving PCI money.
- Gerri Batchelor, along with input from Jack Atwell, talked about the steps necessary to recruit residents when food is no longer the draw. They stressed the positive benefits and urged all programs to walk in trust. Jack emphasized the importance of using the resident angels as a recruiters
- Rick Hanks was approved as leader for PCI 28.

KPM, INTERNATIONAL RED BOOK STATEMENT OF FAITH

THE PEOPLE OF KAIROS ARE CALLED BY GOD TO SHARE THE LOVE OF CHRIST WITH THOSE IMPACTED BY INCARCERATION. KAIROS ENCOURAGES BELIEVERS FROM A VARIETY OF CHRISTIAN TRADITIONS TO BE VOLUNTEERS IN THIS CHRIST-FILLED MINISTRY.

WE BELIEVE:

- THE BIBLE IS GOD’S AUTHORITATIVE, INSPIRED WORD
- THE TRINITY OF THE FATHER, SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT
- IN THE DEITY, DEATH, AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST
- FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD IS A FREE GIFT
- CHRIST’S LOVE MOTIVATES HIS FOLLOWERS TO PROVIDE FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY, DRINK TO THE THIRSTY, WELCOME TO THE STRANGER, AND CLOTHES FOR THE NAKED, AND VISIT THE SICK AND THOSE IN PRISON.
- IN SHARING THE LOVE AND FORGIVENESS OF CHRIST WITH ALL INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS, THEIR FAMILIES AND TO THOSE WHO WORK WITH THEM INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION.