How to Pray for Kairos

Thank you for praying for Kairos at Lane Murray Unit in Gatesville. Following are some suggestions on how to pray for the weekend. Prayer is the foundation for a Kairos weekend long before the team is formed, starting with leadership up to a year and a half in advance in most cases.

Issues in the prison environment are many:

- 1. Peace in the facility. The most common reason for a Kairos or other Christian event *not* to take place in the prison is the lack of peace in the prison. Please pray for peace.
- 2. Health of the team. We need every member of the team to be in good health and full of energy in order to be God's messengers to the people in the unit.
- 3. Cooperation of the facility staff. During Kairos weekends, daily routines of the staff are disrupted. Please pray for grace and understanding from the staff. Pray that the Lord will minister to prison staff as they see changes in the residents who participate in Kairos.
- 4. Pray for the families of the team. Pray for safety and health. Pray that family members encourage and support the team members during the team preparation and during the weekend. Kairos involves a huge time commitment from team members to be effective.
- 5. Pray for the residents who participate in the weekend. Pray that they will be encouraged to walk with our Lord, that their questions about Christ will be answered. Pray that as they return to their units each evening, they will be encouraged by their friends, especially those who have already attended Kairos.
- 6. Pray for peace in the units each evening when the residents return. Pray for broken relationships in the units and for the healing of those relationships.
- 7. Pray for the families of the residents, that the good news of Christ that the residents receive will also be good news to the families.
- 8. Pray for the Chaplain's department and the Department of Volunteers in the facility as well as the Warden.
- 9. Pray for open hearts and minds throughout the weekend so that all may be able to accept the love and grace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
- 10. Pray that the residents seek others in the facility to build a community to help them stand firm in their walk in the days ahead.
- 11. Pray for provision from donations for store-bought cookies. We can no longer take homemade cookies into the prison. We need approximately 1800 DOZEN cookies for our 3-1/2 day Kairos weekend event.