

# Kairos Outside New Mexico Newsletter

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***“Relieve the trouble of my heart  
and bring me out of my distress.”  
Psalm 25:17***

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Dear Kairos Sisters and Brothers,

Well, that year went pretty quick. We have had some good things happening and God has been good. As you know Kairos Outside had their weekend in September and their 2024 weekend is set for Sept 13-15. They also have reunions scheduled for April, June and Oct.

Great job you all and I want to thank Donna Chappell for all her hard work and service during her time as Kairos Outside AC Chair and also welcome Joan Grimes to that position in 2024.

Our women's facility in Grants, WNMW, is moving right along. They had their first weekend in four years last August and the 2024 weekend is planned for August 15-18. They also just had a two day retreat a few weeks ago with 40 residents and 12 volunteers. Praise God.

They are continuing to recruit and are having their monthly reunions.

GCCF in Santa Rosa held their 2023 weekend in October. Went very well and they are continuing their monthly reunions. They have also started a dialogue with the prison about coming in twice a month for prayer and share groups. Keep praying. The 2024 weekend should be in October again.

SNMCF in Las Cruces is continuing their monthly reunions. They had their 2023 weekend in January and are planning a 2024 weekend in the fall. They have two volunteers going to AKT this spring so that is positive for the leadership track.

LCCF in Hobbs is still struggling to get going and I am asking for prayers that God will bring leaders and new volunteers to that ministry. They have been a staple in Kairos in NM for years and I am praying that God will open that door soon.

The National Kairos Conference is being held in Louisville KY this year on July 24-27. I am recommending that someone from each AC attend. It is an awesome experience and a great learning opportunity. Talk to your AC chair and get a hold of me if you have any questions.

Thank you all for your service to this very important ministry. We may never see the fruits of our labor but I guarantee we are planting seeds.

Joe Statzula, Chair  
Kairos Prison Ministry  
New Mexico State Chapter Committee

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## ♥ *Kairos Outside Testimony* ♥ *By Monica Kidd*

I joined Kairos Outside in 2022 as a guest on weekend #34. My dad had been in prison since I was one month old. He had many positive interactions with Kairos Inside. When he was released in 2021, he started volunteering for the Kairos Outside ministry. I was able to be a guest for his first outside weekend that he volunteered for. I enjoyed the weekend so much, I decided this was a ministry to be involved in. My heart was in a good place for my weekend, but for most that is not the case. So many women come to the weekend broken and a mess. I understand what that looks like and how it all feels overwhelming. I believe Jesus, if you allow Him, He can and will completely heal anyone.

Kairos Outside Ministry is one way I am involved to show the love of Christ. I worked my first weekend in 2023. It was a hard season for me when I volunteered. I lost my mother to her drug addiction and so many other problems fell at my feet with her death. I knew God had a plan and in this season of grief and pain He would use it to grow His kingdom. God has put a great love in me for those women who are broke and have faced many struggles in life. Kairos has opened the door for me to share the love of Jesus with women that have similar situation that I have experienced. I am looking forward to serve on the Kairos Outside Advisory Council and along with being on the core team for Weekend #36.

Monica Kidd

Outside Weekend, please let me know and we will add it to one of our newsletters.

Thank you,  
Toni Hamilton  
[mamawkk@hotmail.com](mailto:mamawkk@hotmail.com)

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## *Donations*

Kairos Outside #36 is currently accepting green agape for the weekend. Please pray about your participation with a tax deductible gift of \$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00 or more. Your gift will continue to make Kairos Outside possible and will be a blessing to the ladies God has chosen to attend.

Kairos Prison Ministry, Inc. is a registered 501©(3) not-for-profit corporation. All donations are tax deductible. You may go to [kairosnm.org](http://kairosnm.org) to make a click n' Pledge donation visit [iGive.com/NMKO](http://iGive.com/NMKO) to register donating a percentage of on-line shopping.

You may send your check to:  
NM Kairos Outside  
P. O. Box 4226  
Roswell, NM 88202  
If you have any questions please contact Joan Grimes @ [butterfly93.jc@gmail.com](mailto:butterfly93.jc@gmail.com)

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**If** you would like to share your testimony, what you experienced at your Kairos

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Hello Kairos Brothers & Sisters!

It is that time of the year again.... Kairos Outside #36 is underway so mark your calendars for September 13-15, 2024. The Weekend will be held at Sivells Baptist Camp in Cloudcroft, New Mexico. I will be leading #36 with the guidance of my Savior, Jesus, along with a great group of dedicated volunteers that have already committed to helping me prepare for another weekend. I do not know what God has planned for this year but I do know that I can completely trust in HIM for everything!! What an amazing Spiritual Team God has brought early on in the planning stages and it was shortly after that, I was given a scripture for the weekend. I am so humbled to use the words of Jesus "Come to ME all who are weary and heavy burdened and I will give you rest". Matthew 11:28-How I love the other verses Jesus says to us.....take My yoke, learn from Me, I am gentle, humble and I am the one that can give your soul rest. I pray that all the guests that attend this weekend will place these words in their heart. I am so blessed to have my oldest daughter, Melissa, who will be designing the weekend shield. I am looking forward to sharing that with everyone soon and I am so thankful for my Kairos Outside sisters & brothers that have already agreed to be on the team!! God has placed so many wonderful friends in my life.....what would I do without you all? Each of you are so special to me in so many ways. I remember the first time I was on a Kairos Outside Team, we received a coffee mug that

said "Strength For The Journey". How true this ministry has been for me, each weekend a blessing to see the work of God, to be able to move forward as being a Guest myself. I think about the ones that were impacted by those weekends and the ones that have left us to be with Jesus. Please be in prayer for Kairos Outside #36 and let us celebrate life in 2024!! More information to be announced...See you at the Reunions!! Love & Blessings to All,

Beth Noce,  
Leader Kairos Outside #36  
Email: [Kairosoutsidem@gmail.com](mailto:Kairosoutsidem@gmail.com)

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## Volunteers Needed

Kairos Outside is always looking for volunteers to serve on the Weekend or serve on the Advisory Council. If you are interested or looking for more information, please go to the website and fill out the application, [www.kairosoutsideofnm.org](http://www.kairosoutsideofnm.org)

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## *KO Advisory Council 2024*

**Chair** – Joan Grimes  
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**Treasurer** – Monica Kidd  
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**Spiritual Director**  
**Pray this position is filled.**

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Dear Kairos Outside Family,

As we are entering into 2024 we are seeing changes in our Advisory Council. We have added several new people on the council and have filled a lot of vacancies. We are in the training stages for many of us. I am excited for this new chapter.

Kairos Outside #36 will be held September 13-15, 2024 at Sivells Baptist Camp near Cloudcroft, NM. The Leader of this weekend will be Beth Noce. Beth comes with the experience of running a weekend before so she will do a wonderful job on this weekend. Please let her know if you are interested in working the weekend or if you know of someone that might be interested in attending.

We also have 3 reunion weekends planned for 2024. They are going to be held all over the state to help with the attendance levels and to help with traveling distances. Dates/Places: April 13<sup>th</sup> @Las Cruces, June 29<sup>th</sup> @ Ruidoso, October 5<sup>th</sup> @ Los Lunas. More information on each of these will be sent out and posted on Social Media.

Please let me know if you need any additional information or if I can help in any way.

Your Sister in Christ,

Joan Grimes  
Kairos Outside AC Chair  
Email: butterfly93.jc@gmail.com

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*Do everything in Love. 1 Corinthians 16:14*

## Kairos Outside Reunion

Place: Gospel Rescue Mission  
1050 W. Amador Ave, Las Cruces  
April 13<sup>th</sup> 11:00 - 2:00

Also add these dates to your calender

June 29<sup>th</sup> Ruidoso

October 5 Los Lunas.

More information to be announced later

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♥ In Loving Memory of: ♥

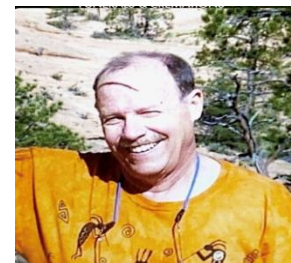
Elsie Williams Born June 12, 1956 passed  
November 28, 2023



Thomas Eugene Miller Born May 23, 1943  
passed September 22, 2023



Terry Nelson Born March 3, 1949 passed  
November 11, 2023



Well done good and faithful servants.

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## *Want to be an Angel?*

You could be a Kairos Outside Angel. Outside Angels are behind the scene volunteers who are not seen by guests. They contribute by helping with guest transportation, working in the kitchen area, assisting with Agape, etc. If you are interested to serve as an Outside Angel, complete the outside Angel application found on

[www.kairosoutsideofnm.org](http://www.kairosoutsideofnm.org)

and mail to:

NM Kairos Outside,  
PO Box 4226  
Roswell, NM 88202

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## *Web Site Info*

[www.kairosprisonministry.org](http://www.kairosprisonministry.org)

International website of Kairos Prison Ministry

[www.mykairos.org](http://www.mykairos.org)

This web site for the volunteers, donors, and guests of Kairos Prison Ministry, Downloads, forms, Kalender, and instructions available on this site.

[www.kairosnm.org](http://www.kairosnm.org)

This web site for the state of New Mexico Kairos Prison Ministry. Donation instructions are available on this site.

[www.kairosoutsideofnm.org](http://www.kairosoutsideofnm.org)

This is a web site for Kairos Outside for the State of New Mexico Ministry.

Also on Facebook there is a New Mexico Kairos Outside group.

Kairos is now on Instagram:

[www.instragram.com/kairosprisonministry](http://www.instragram.com/kairosprisonministry)

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Hello Kairos Friends,

After holding the position of International Council Representative for New Mexico, I had to step down since we are only allowed to be in that position for six years. It was a position that I enjoyed immensely, as I was able to go to the Annual Conference each year in places I had never been. The first year was Dulles, Virginia, then Orlando, Florida, and Louisville, Kentucky, Indianapolis, Indiana, as well as Dallas, Texas, and a Zoom Conference during the dreadful year of Covid. It was a position that was very exciting and uplifting, learning more about Kairos Prison Ministry and meeting people from all over the world with the same agenda! I also served on Committees including the Excellence Initiative Committee and Kairos Outside Subcommittee and even did a presentation last year on Kairos Outside.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Annual Conference whether you're just starting or a seasoned veteran! I am now going back to serve on the Advisory Council for Kairos Outside and the person taking my place as the International Council Representative is Rick Wilminko. If you ever want to learn more about Kairos Prison Ministry, join an Advisory Council, then move to the State Advisory Council from there.

Thanks to Everyone in this wonderful ministry!

Connie Baker

Former International Council Representative

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**Remember the prisoners, as though you were in prison with them, and the mistreated, as though you yourselves were suffering bodily.**

**Hebrews 13:3**

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## *Message of Encouragement*

*By Nicole Mirabal*

Pay Attention to who shows up for you!

We all have times in our lives where we have ups and downs. When we are on the mountain top and in the Valley low.

Who shows up for all the important details of your life? For the milestones to celebrate life's big moments when you need uplifting, when you need to cry, when you lose loved ones, when you are dealing with downfalls, or during joyous times.

Who shows up for you?

JESUS had many following HIM, there were some in HIS life when HE was in human form that were there, but did they show up for HIM?

In Verses Matthew 4:18-22, and Matthew 9:9 we read about some of the disciples dropping everything to follow JESUS. As this is what we all should do, correct? But even when they dropped everything to follow JESUS, were they faithful to him? Where they there when HE needed them?

Matthew 26:14-25, 47-51 Talks about Judas Iscariot and how JESUS called him out during the last supper letting Judas know that HE knows HE is about to be betrayed and who is going to do it.

In Matthew 26:31-35, 69-75 JESUS told Peter that he was going to deny knowing HIM. Even though Peter stated he would never deny knowing who JESUS was, only be reminded of the conversation with JESUS

when Peter hears the third crow of the rooster.

Peter, James, and John couldn't even stay up and pray for JESUS as he had asked them to do in HIS time of need for HIS brothers to lift HIM in prayer as Matthew 26:36-46.

Thomas Doubted (John 20:19-20)

Even knowing all of this was going to happen, JESUS still fellowshiped with these individuals. JESUS still choose them. How many times have we had people in our lives fellowship with us and build a relationship only to be betrayer, doubted us and our abilities, denied us by disowning or washing their hands of us, and even have brothers and sister that do not pray for us in our time of need.

JESUS had people show up for HIM! In Luke 10:38-39, Martha and Mary showed HIM hospitality. Martha opened her home to JESUS and Mary stayed at HIS feet as HE taught. In John 20:1-2, 11-16 Mary Magdelene showed concern and sadness for JESUS when HIS body was not in the tomb. The disciples were glad to see JESUS when HE appeared to them in John 20:19-20.

Are we these types of individuals in others' lives. Do we show up for them as much as they show up or us? Do we sharpen (proverbs 27:17) or encourage (1 Thessalonians 5:11) as we should?

Who shows up for you? JESUS shows up for you and what a friend we have in JESUS.

**John 15:12-15**



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<sup>12</sup>This is what I command you: Love each other as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>The greatest love people can show is to die for their friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I tell you to do. <sup>15</sup>I no longer call you servants, because servants don't know what their master is doing. But now I call you friends, because I have told you everything that my Father told me.

JESUS is not only our Father or friend, but HE is so many other things in our lives. HE is:

- ✓ Healer: Psalm 41:3, Psalm 147:3
- ✓ Counselor: Psalm 32:8, Isaiah 9:6
- ✓ Teacher: John 13:13, Psalm 32:8
- ✓ Savior: Luke 2:11, John 3:16, 1 John 4:10
- ✓ Forgiver: Luke 6:37, Colossians 2:13
- ✓ Servant: Mark 10:45, John 13:14
- ✓ Comforter: 2 Corinthians 1:3-4, Psalm 23:4, John 14:16

We are to imitate JESUS and HIS ways. We are to show up for those in need. We are to pray for them, encourage them, serve them, comfort them, and forgive them.

The next time someone needs you to show up for them and when you need someone to pay attention who shows up for you!

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

<sup>9</sup>Two are better than one,  
because they have a good return for their labor:

<sup>10</sup>If either of them falls down,  
one can help the other up.

But pity anyone who falls  
and has no one to help them up.

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## Happy 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Kairos Outside

*Sharing History and Memories*  
*By Paula Wallace*

Darlene Reeves invited me to become a part of New Mexico Kairos Outside Prison Ministry 22 years ago on the weekend she was leader. In September 2024, our next New Mexico Kairos Outside Weekend will be #36 and we will be celebrating our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Of the 35 Kairos Outside Weekends NM has held, I have had the privilege of being involved in 23 of them. God has blessed me with a ministry that has been the passion of my life. I can't imagine my life without Kairos Outside and after 22 years my desire to be God's servant to reach women impacted by incarceration has grown even stronger. Today, I am very protective of what hundreds of New Mexico Kairos Outside volunteers have worked so hard to build and maintain. This ministry has impacted close to a thousand women and the families they belong to. Our guests have been from NM, TX, CO, AZ, and CA. New Mexico Kairos Outside has also had women from Mexico join us on the weekends. In the late 1990s, Georgia Culberson was leader on New Mexico Kairos Outside #1.

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She was a pioneer helping to ignite a deep commitment in me and so many others to love women and their families and to carry on a decades old NM ministry that is all about love. Over the years I have formed deep bonds of friendship and love for the women and men I have worked with and served. My best K/O dudes besides my husband, Terry and brothers Jim and Dan Ryan, and the late Bruce White and Anthony Brewer. The New Mexico Kairos Outside kitchen teams have been epic over the years becoming rock-n-rollers, cowboys, Mouseketeers, and elegant waiters. One of my favorite memories is waking up with an 88-year-old Birgit Lamont practicing yoga in the nude and later that day portraying God in a skit (talk about a dichotomy). The biggest privilege I have had is that my family has joined me in service. My sisters-in-laws, Shelly and Lisa Ryan have poured their hearts and souls into loving on and serving our beautiful, cherished guests and each have made life-long friends through it while strengthening our sisterly bonds. I mentioned my husband and brothers, but I also need to mention my aunt, Jean Tupper. For years, this determined Outside Angel has unselfishly done whatever is needed. For me, New Mexico Kairos Outside is a family affair and if you aren't family when we start working together, you become so after. Joan Grimes, Ellen Cady, Beth Noce, Erma (The Worms) Nichols, Linda Boyd, Nona Bentley, Janet Todd, Elsie Williams, Donna Chappell, Toni Hamilton, Lynette Wood, Carol Morgan, Vonnie Roth, Lucy

Rickman, and Yolanda Owsley (I could go on and on) are all so precious to me and have helped shape New Mexico Kairos Outside into the family it is on its Silver Anniversary. Happy 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to all who have been a part of New Mexico Kairos Outside. Let's Celebrate!!!

I love New Mexico Kairos Outside!!!

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Coming soon!!!

## Kairos Outside Reunion

Where? - Gospel Rescue Mission  
1050 W Amador Ave, Las Cruces

When? - April 13<sup>th</sup> 11:00 - 2:00

More information coming soon  
Watch for flyer in your email



Philippians 4:6-7 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by **prayer** and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to **God**. And the peace of **God**, which transcends all understanding, will guard your **hearts** and your **minds** in

Christ Jesus

