GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

LIVING THE REAL PRESENCE OF CHRIST IN PRISON – Kairos #50 – December 29 to January 2

Kairos Prison Ministry International (KPMI) is an ecumenical Christian ministry. The Ferguson Unit is a maximum security Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) prison in Midway, near Madisonville, 25 miles north of Huntsville, TX. KPMI demonstrates the love of Christ twice a year at Ferguson through this intensive four-day "course in Christianity", and through weekly follow-up meetings or groupings. Forty-two of the nearly 2500 Ferguson inmates are invited to participate in each special four-day weekend. Over and over the power of God's love breaks down the most hardened criminals and they experience the real presence of Christ. ***Be a part of that miracle***.

The 50th Kairos weekend at Ferguson is 29 December 2010 through 02 January 2011 and GSLC is again sending missionaries. *(CJ Salzman will be our overall team leader for that weekend and will need our support)*.There is also a possibility of folks attending the closing service on 02 January for those desiring to experience this event (18 or older). A simple form must be filled out in advance if you desire to attend. *Please mark your calendars as well in advance for Kairos #51 to be held in early July2011.*

Your part in this mission is to support those who are going as missionaries, or be a missionary yourself (inside and outside of the prison). How else? ECC and other children can color placemats for meals. Some may be moved to provide sponsorship money placing it in the offering anytime between now and Sunday, 26 December. It takes $125 to sponsor each of the 42 inmates attending this weekend but all sizes of support are most welcome. ***Please make your checks out to GSLC*** and put *Kairos Prison Ministry* in the note section of your check. Especially needed as well are your prayers and your baked cookies.

PRAYER: The weekend will be saturated by people praying (24hrs/day) starting from 3:00 pm Thursday 30 December 2010 until 6:00 pm on Sunday 2 January 2010. Your prayer commitment and participation will make a difference - God promises it. Be a prayer warrior and sign up below or at the at the Kairos table for our prayer chain. The power of prayer is real and an essential component of this mission.

COOKIES: Kairos needs up to 4000 dozen cookies, home baked with prayer for this mission trip. They will be a visible and tasty evidence of God's boundless love. Have a cookie baking party, make it a small group service project, involve your children, or just bake them yourself. (12 cookies per quart-sized plastic bag with nothing written on it – a change from the past.) Please do not use zip lock bags with hard plastic pulls. More cookie information guidelines are available at the Kairos table (when up), any one of the folks listed below, or the GSLC website. The warden does impose some restrictions on our cookies.

(Retain this part)

I commit to Pray for Kairos: 30 Dec (Thu) from _____ to _____ am/pm (circle one)
31 Dec (Fri) from _____ to _____ am/pm (circle one)
01 Jan (Sat) from _____ to _____ am/pm (circle one)
02 Jan (Sun) from _____ to _____ am/pm (circle one)

I commit to bake _____dozen cookies. I will deliver them to the GSLC office no later than 12 noon Wednesday 29 Dec or call one of the following Kairos missionaries for pickup. The earliest drop offs of your offering of lovingly made cookies can begin in mid December.

Chuck Ockrassa @249-8906/Cliff Kuxhaus @336-5126/CJ Salzman @638-1004/Jim Janke @259-9362/Lowell and Kay Goecker@401-4944

(Please tear off this part and place in the offering basket or hand it to one of the missionaries)

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I commit to bake _____dozen cookies. I will bring them to Church services by 26 December or deliver them to the GSLC office no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 29 December 2010.

NAME_____ Tel._____