

Kairos Agape Letter Writing Guidelines

Kairos Prison Ministry – Writing letters to someone you don't know, who is in prison.

Kairos is a Greek word meaning “*God's Special Time*”, “when the time was right”, “in the fullness of time”.

The person receiving your letter is a male. They may be as young as 18 years old or as old as a grandfather. Only God knows who will receive your letter.

It is possible that this person receives very little mail from friends or family.

Your letters should be written on regular paper (half or full sheet), lined or plain, **no school logos, stickers etc.** Envelopes are not required.

Your letters are Special letters. Letters unlike any they have received. Since you don't know who will receive them, but God does, your letters are messages of hope, encouragement, grace, and love from God.

Say a prayer before you write you letter, asking God to guide your thoughts and message.

Your letter is not a long letter, but more of a note, 4-6 sentences long.

Even though you don't know the person, address it “*Dear Friend,*”

Be joyful and hopeful and encouraging, not judgmental or condemning.

Express Christian love, God's love, God's redeeming love for everyone.

Feel free to include a scripture verse.

Sign this letter of God's love with “Your Friend (or Brother or Sister) in Christ,” and your first name only

Offer a prayer of Thanksgiving for being God's servant in delivering His message of love to someone in prison.

We will be ministering to 42 men. The Kairos team will divide all the letters into the goodie bags. As you write more than one letter, try to make each as unique as possible.

All letters are needed to the retreat coordinators by a few days before the retreat.