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# Kairos Outside Workshops

**SESSION 1** Introduction to the White Manual – *what's new*

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# The aim of Continuing Ministry is.....??

Is how we achieve the....



MISSION of Kairos Prison Ministry  
and  
VISION of Kairos Prison Ministry

Found on P 1 White Manual

## Questions for you ...

- What is Continuing Ministry
- What do you want to get from this session

# Why is Continuing Ministry Important

It supports /underpins the success of the Kairos programs – which also sets Kairos apart from other ministries.

Continuing support



The Weekend is the starting point; Continuing Ministry is the

AIM  
And  
DESTINATION



MOST IMPORTANT

We want our guests and volunteers to see and experience and be part of the love and support we have been telling them about and experienced during the Weekend .

# A Healthy Continuing Ministry

1. Supports our guests and volunteers
2. Brings women and their families into an accepting Christian community
3. Provides a safe-haven to share
4. Fosters accountability in a loving community
5. Provides support, guidance
6. Provides opportunities for growth and service
7. Opportunity to identify future team members and leaders
8. Attractive to new volunteers
9. Ensures longevity of the ministry
10. Promotes Team work



Continuing Ministry builds a strong community – Phil. 2:5

# TEAM WORK - WHERE DOES IT START ??

Understanding the whole process takes a combination of

TIME

PERSEVERANCE

UNDERSTANDING

PATIENCE

DEDICATION TO THE PROCESS

PRACTICE

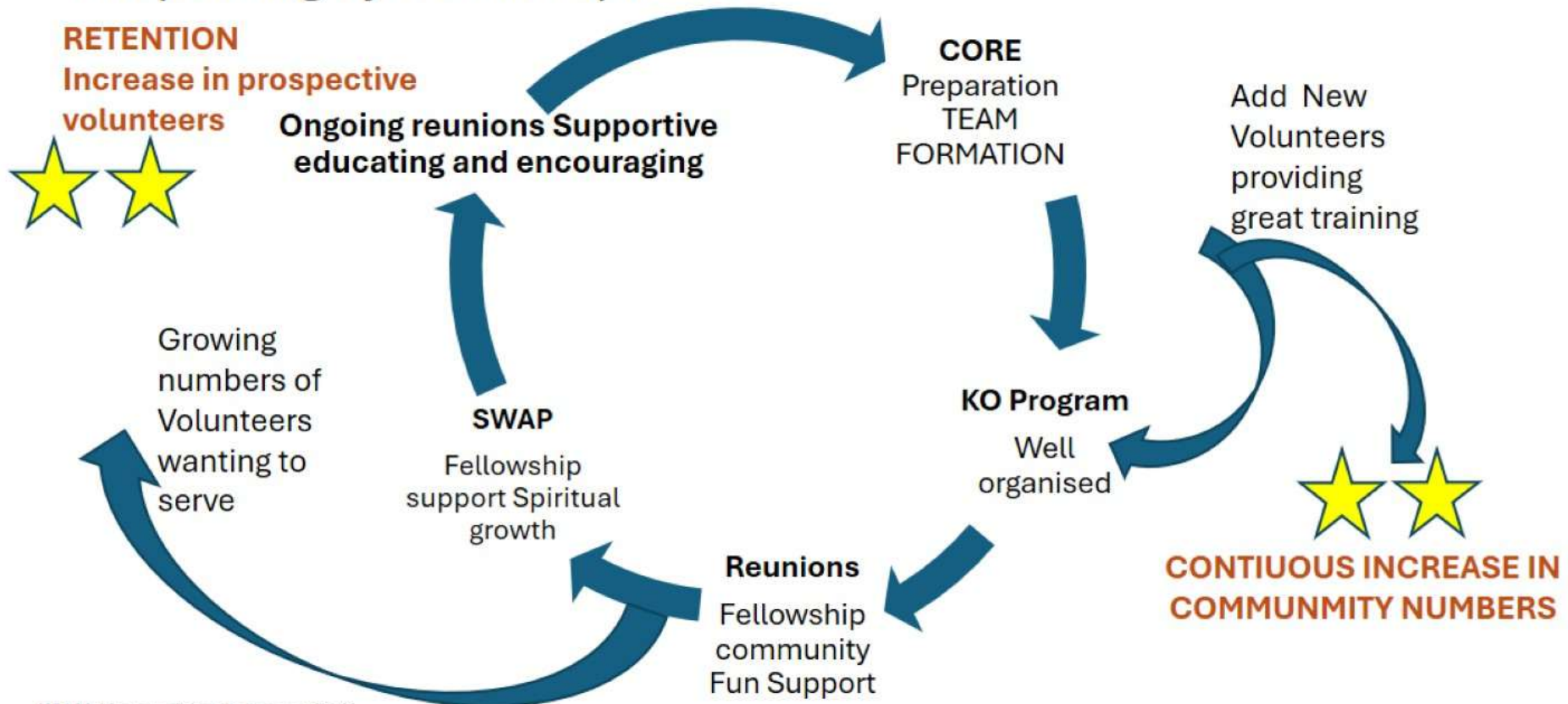
GREAT COMMUNICATION

OBEDIENCE TO THE MANUAL AND PROCESS

Discovering and appreciating gifts and talents  
of all

# How and Where Do We Begin ?????

- A repeating cycle with spin offs



# Recruiting can be hard!

## Keep who you've got!



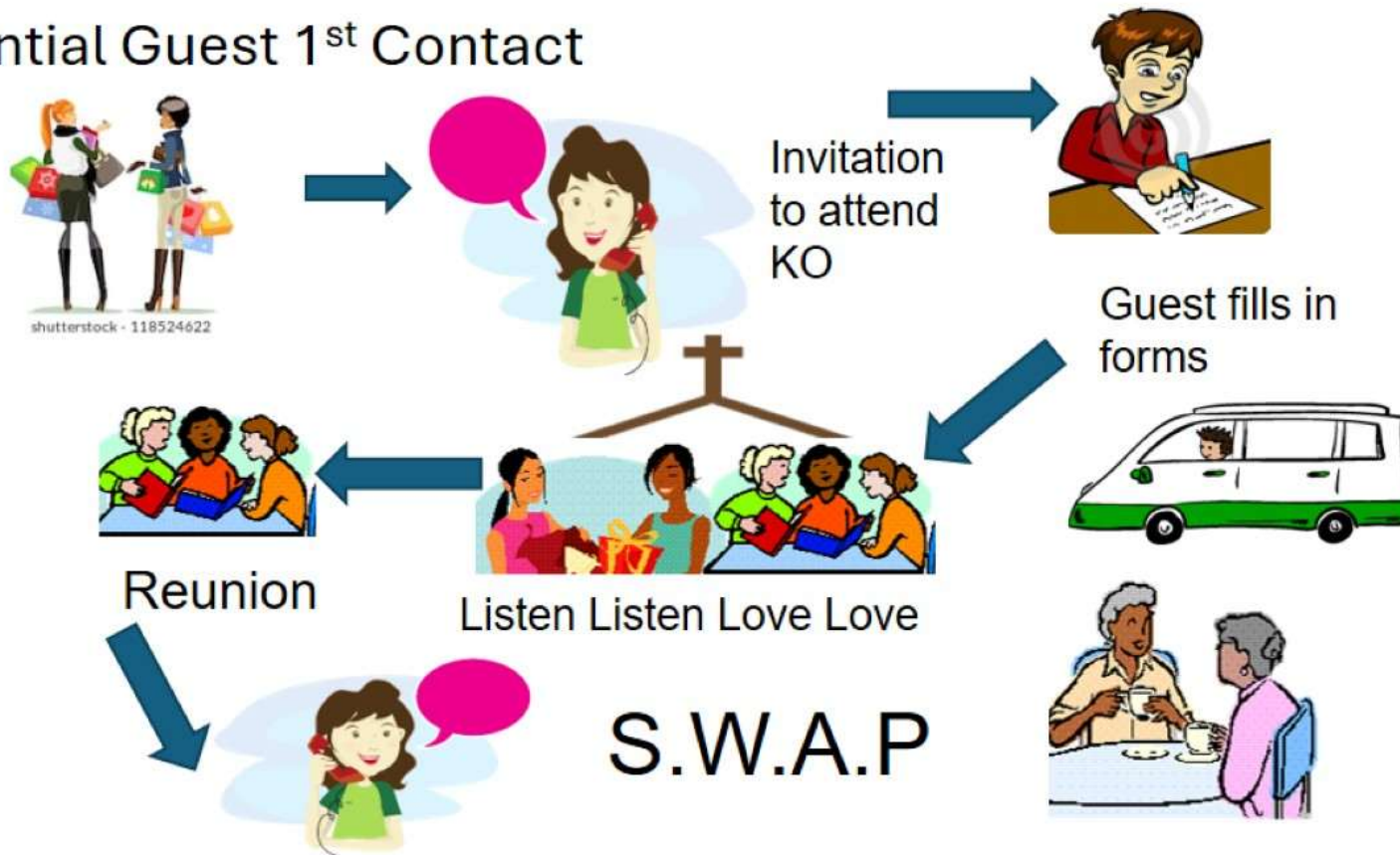
- Work of volunteers has only just begun with the KO Weekend
  - Ministry does not end with the Closing Ceremony
    - The weekend is only the beginning
  - We need to be well prepared and trained – organised
- Continuing Ministry is the **key** to **retention** and **growth** with opportunity to continue the work done during the Weekend.
- Volunteers must know that their contribution is valued and continuing through attendance at rewarding and enjoyable

### • REUNIONS



# Ministering Journey

## Potential Guest 1<sup>st</sup> Contact



# Where does the guest journey begin ?

## Potential Guest 1<sup>st</sup> Contact



Usually a Kairos volunteer

Casual – non intrusive

Simple explanation .

Invitation with brochure

Leads to a phone call to the prospective guest  
from Observing Leader 1



# Invitation to attend KO followed up by the Observing Leader 1

- O L 1 helps answer any questions
- Guest fills in forms
- OL 1 Helps fill in the form if needed
- Initial contact by text
- Phone calls should be at convenience of the guest
- Getting to weekend always explained and sensitive driver communication.



# Building the stepping stones to strong community within the Program .....



## Team Contacts

Careful matching

guest to team member

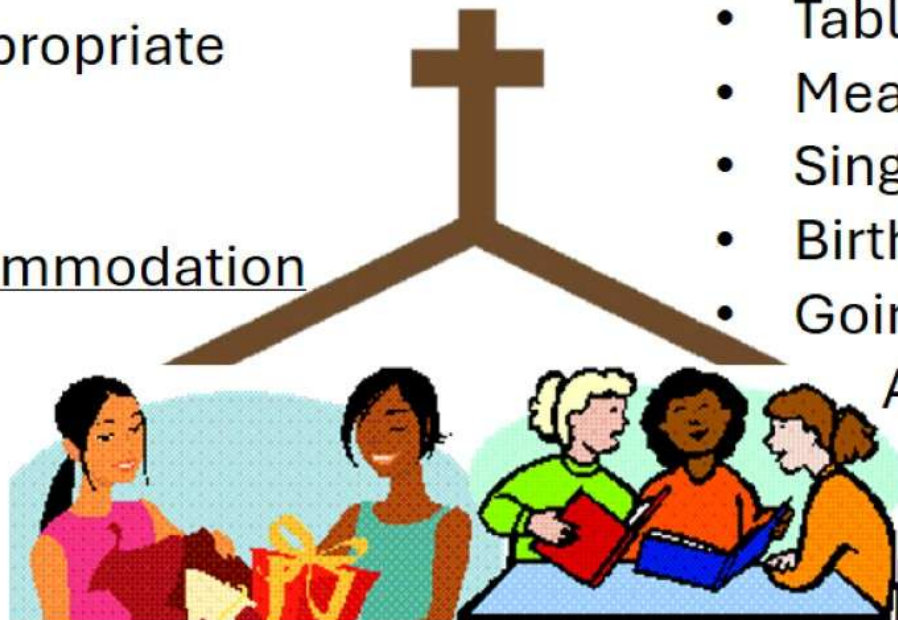
Warm and appropriate  
welcome

## Suitable Accommodation

## Opportunities to develop & experience connection

- Bed time story
- Table discussion
- Meal times
- Singing
- Birthday Party
- Going Forth Book

Attendance Outside  
Community



## Before Weekend responsibilities.....RC ensures

Clear undertakings for prospective team – Commitment to ongoing ministry contribution. Volunteering for service is not about us or only for the weekend .



## After the Weekend responsibilities.....lead to strong community

### Strong and consistent communication and commitment



1. The Leader – contact with Team and Guests -RC
2. Agape Team – Going Forth Book-presented to all Guests and Team

## Continuing Ministry Position- Coordinator

Talks about Continuing Ministry at team meetings

Plans for at least 4 reunions per year

- Arrange for the site, setup and clean up
- Find someone who will coordinate music
- Arrange for food and drinks
- Prepare an invitation with a map
- Prepare a regular time and place - yearly schedule
- Plan time to SWAP during the reunion
- Keep visitation schedules in mind if necessary
- Invite Chair of RC / SC to say a few words of welcome

Keep track of SWAP groups and facilitate their creation

Report attendance to Continuing Ministry Coordinator – forms part of RC/AC report to State Council





YOU HAVE  
THE POWER TO  
CHANGE SOMEONE'S  
LIFE THROUGH AN  
*Invitation.*



## How to Schedule a Successful Reunion

- Plan ahead
- Annual Schedule
- Personal invites
- Get buy in-added interest
- Involve others
- Vary the content

# REUNIONS 1<sup>st</sup> after the weekends



- Possibility

The team that has just worked the weekend is committed to attend the 1<sup>st</sup> Reunion so well placed to provide

1. Music component
2. Set up of venue
3. Kitchen – service of food
4. Agape – decoration ( could be set or new each time )
5. Leader and Advising Leader MC
6. OL1 and OL2 Welcome and record keeping
7. Contribute to share food ( New Guests bring nothing)
8. Intro and Facilitate SWAP time
9. Introduction to wider community of Kairos Outside



# Share your ideas – memories of great Reunions



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# How to Get People to the Reunions

- Mandatory for team that has just served !
- Consistency helps forward planning to attend
- Team contacts can call to invite their guest  
Offer transport or to arrange
- RC/Advisory Council should attend
- Previous Team and Guests are invited
- Phone calls work best
- Email invites

Reunion Hosting Responsibilities P 191  
Sample Reunion Agenda P 191  
Best practice P 192



# CONTINUING SUPPORT GROUPS --SWAP

- Bridge the gap between the weekend and Reunions
- Provide continuing support through small groups 3-5
- Provide support to the individual
- Help break the sense of isolation
- Are safe spaces and strictly CONFIDENTIAL
- Members don't necessarily need to know each other to begin
- An existing small group may invite a new member
- Going Forth Book should contain contact details of Points of Contact
- Locations of small groups
- Team Contacts are well placed to support initiating a SWAP group
- Point of contact person conveys activity of the group to the Continuing Ministry Coordinator





**Share**  
*what you have learned during the past week that helps you to have a better understanding of Christ's love and what Christ is calling you to do. Share the choices you want to make in the future and the direction you want*

**Witness**  
*to those times when you especially felt Christ's love during the past week, when you tried to help someone recognize His love and when it was hard to*

**Account**  
*for your progress (or lack of progress) in doing what you told the group you were going to do to grow, to better show God's love to others.*

**Pray**  
*for each other; ask prayers for yourself, both in thanksgiving and for support.*

## S.W.A.P.

- For Guests who have completed a Weekend and Kairos Outside volunteers only.
- Meet regularly (preferably weekly) this is easier when groups are small and located within easy reach .
- Mood should be welcoming and conducive to sharing and move to spiritual sharing .
- Words should encourage and never be judgmental.
- Remember your table family experience

Called to Serve

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## Break into groups of 2 and SWAP

- Share 1 minute each
- Pray short prayer for each other
- Bell will indicate 1 minute to go





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# HEALTH CHECK

