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Dear Friends of Kairos: Peace be with you!

The founding fathers of the United States, in remembering the bountiful natural resources given to their country, set aside the November harvest as a time to give thanks. I think you will agree, this is a reminder for God's children, all who had been saved by His grace, to have a heart of thanksgiving, not only towards God, but also to our parents and all who had shown us grace and mercy. The three founding fathers of Kairos: Rev. Dr. Sigurd Aske (Norway), Rev. George Olson (U.S.), and Dr. Knud Jorgensen (Denmark) were missionaries. They were not commissioned by their church or any mission organization to establish the Kairos ministry. They acted because they were concerned with the increasing heretical teachings endangering the church, its believers and society.

Dr. Aske recognized that spreading the Gospel and serving the church are the God-given responsibilities of the local church. However, he also saw that helping Christians to understand God's truth in the Bible would be the best way to counter any false teachings. In Psalms 119:130a the psalmist wrote: "The unfolding of your words gives light." In Psalms 119:18 he asked God to: "Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law." Mass media is the most effective tool to teach the masses. And that was the reason for the birth of the Kairos ministry. Our calling is to be a "provider" of audio-visual Bible study materials teaching God's truth. Dr. Aske and Rev. Olson had both been called home by the Lord, but every Kairos participant who came after them had re-affirmed this role of being a "complimentary tool" for use by the Church.

There is the word "International" in the official name of the Kairos ministry: Kairos Communication Service International. Our Lord Jesus told His disciples to spread the Gospel first from Jerusalem, progressing to all of Judea, Samaria, then to the ends of the world (Acts 1:8). We have spent the last thirty-some years in our "Jerusalem". Now we are about to enter into "all of Judea". We have plans to "expand" our service within our available budget. We would especially like to "give back" to the churches and individuals who over the years had faithfully supported us. In January 2019, Kairos will be offering a "Gospel Film Media Training Workshop" (see item 7 of the prayer letter in the back page). The purpose is to equip and encourage brothers and sisters who are interested in learning to produce audio-visual-film materials in their "spare time" to help their pastors to spread the Gospel. Spaces are limited, so register early! Have a blessed Thanksgiving Day!

The Lord's servant,

David Chao

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## **\*November Thanksgiving and Prayers\***

We proclaim Him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ. (Colossians 1:28)

1. The Kairos website ([www.kairos-usa.org](http://www.kairos-usa.org)) was suspended for three weeks due to interference from hackers but has now been fixed. We thank God for your care and prayers.
2. The Fall short term training team has completed its two weeks of ministry in October and have received good responses. We were able to deliver the Kairos Bibles study materials in time for each training session. Please pray for the follow-up work and the need to print more textbooks.
3. We have recently produced a video teaching guide to help lay pastors learn how to use the Kairos “3 IN 1” audio-visual Bible study materials for the study of the Epistles of Paul. The “3 IN 1” materials includes: video books, audio books and textbooks. We are in the process of making a video teaching guide on the 12 Minor Prophet series. Please pray for this project.
4. The Bible study curriculum on the books of I, II and III John have been upload to the Kairos e-learning website. You are welcome to the studies.
5. We thank God for His grace! More than a decade ago, Kairos partnered with another gospel organization to produce the 12 Minor Prophets DVD series. Many Chinese Christians have found the 13 DVDs in the series useful in their studies. Coworkers at the Kairos Hong Kong office have recently compressed the 13 DVDs into one video disc for a separate Mandarin or Cantonese version. Once again, we would like to thank Rev. Peter Chung, Rev. Peter Lai, Mrs. Valerie Li and Mrs. Joanne Chou who volunteered as the MCs and Bible teachers in this series. We will not forget the hard work and good example of their service.
6. The Cantonese version of “the Gospel on the Go - Walking with Jesus” MP3 series is currently being produced. The SD card will contain a total of 21 Cantonese Audio Bible study books. It also contains 933 Cantonese “Melody of Life” and some hymns. A new enhanced Mandarin version of “Walking with Jesus” is also being produced. It will contain Bible study programs of all the 66 books of the Bible that we have produced over the years. This is the result of your support and intercession for many years. We thank God for your faithful partnership.
7. We thank God for the donation of the Kairos facility from a generous couple so that we can organize activities to care for the needs of the church and the community. We will be offering a 9 session’s workshop on Gospel Media/film production starting January 12, 2019 on consecutive Saturdays from 2-5pm. We thank God for Joseph Zheng, an experienced script writer and film director and a graduate from the USC Film Academy, to lead and give the lectures. We pray for God to raise a new “force” for the Kingdom of God equipped to use the modern media for evangelism. Please participate enthusiastically. For workshop and registration details, please visit the following website: [www.kairos-usa.org/film-workshop](http://www.kairos-usa.org/film-workshop).