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Dear Friends of Kairos,

35 years ago, a group of church leaders from around the world gathered in Hong Kong to explore ways to help lay pastors in the mission field to gain a deeper understanding of the Bible so they can effectively lead their congregation to grow in faith. Knowing the truth in the Bible is the best way to prevent the widespread of heresy in the churches. The Kairos ministry was entrusted the mission to produce and provide audio-visual Bible study materials. I, as a servant of God and Dr. Kund Jorgensen, one of the funders of Kairos were called to take up a mission to establish Kairos Communication Service International in Los Angeles. Since then, the organization has gone through many changes with its Board of directors and General Secretaries. We have experienced the changing of 4 different General Secretaries and each time I was called back to fill the void (each time as a volunteer).

I have reached the age of 89 in April this year. The Kairos Board was very considerate of my aging condition and finally allowed me to enjoy my "remaining" years. Last year, instead of asking me to fill the vacant position of the General Secretary again, they appointed sister Angelia Chang (Kairos Board member) to become the Acting General Secretary until we find an appropriate candidate to fill the position. Since then, Angelia has shown her Christian love and care towards me by assigning other coworkers to write the monthly newsletters so I can get more rest time. However, several days ago she called me and persuaded me to write this month's newsletter. She explained that many friends of Kairos like to read my writings and it is especially appropriate when the Annual Thanksgiving Banquet is to be held this month on October 5. Her "sweet talk" convinced me to put my head on the "guillotine". But to be honest, I do miss you all. Therefore, I accepted the challenge.

Dear brothers and sisters, how have you been? Please allow me to first thank you for your all the prayers, participation, love and support you have given to Kairos. My thankfulness comes genuinely from the bottom of my heart. Honestly speaking, nowadays many churches are already engaging in similar mission work of gospel organizations. Kairos recognizes the rapidly changing trends of our world. May God guides and leads us in our future direction. We insist not to use "dreams" to replace our vision. We will not ask for support just to continue "existing". My dear friends, do you agree? Will you please lift up Kairos in your prayers?

By the way, please do not pray for me to extend my years on earth. I have already lived long enough. Instead please remember Kairos. Ask God to grant us strength and diligence to continue serving His ministry at Kairos. There is another plea. In the past, I have never asked for your feedbacks. Let me try something new this time. Please send me your comments and suggestions. I loved to hear from you. My email is davidwchao@kairos-usa.org.

God's Servant Rev. David Chao

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(P.S. I really want to greet all of you at the October 5 Thanksgiving Banquet. If you do come, please be sure to come up to me and say hello. Thank you!)

October Thanksgiving and Prayer

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.

(Psalm: 19:1-2)

- 1. Kairos' 2019 Thanksgiving & Fundraising dinner event will be held on Oct 5th (Saturday). This year's theme is "Apostle Paul of Today". Special thanks to Dr. Rev. Peter Lim, Acting Dean of Fuller School of Intercultural Studies to come and be the keynote speaker. We want to thank all the friends of Kairos participating in this event to count the Lord's blessings together and to pray and give support to the Kairos ministries. We also thank those who cannot join us in person but continue to support us with prayers and financial donations. May the Lord personally bless each and every one.
- 2. Thank God for guiding us to test launch a new platform on YouTube in last month. The tentative name channel name is "Kairos New Media" (Kai Video Channel in Chinese). We thank God for the unexpected positive responses so far. I sincerely thank all the brothers, sisters and friends who have watched and listened to, and further subscribed to the channel. Your support has deeply inspired the co-workers and volunteers involved in the production. Please continue to pray for us! Pray that God will give us wisdom, manpower, and financial resources to develop a "long-term plan" to produce quality programs that will help brothers and sister in their journey of faith and also to reach the lost with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. During the test run period of broadcast, we will present different types of programming for you to view and listen. We hope to hear from our audience and get their valuable feedbacks so we can make good decisions on what kinds of programs that we should focus on producing in the long run. Please send us your comments and suggestions via email or directly on YouTube and Face book. Thank you!
- 3. Thank you for your prayers, the newly developed Kairos App for the iPhone has been created. Currently we are in a testing phase of the first version. If you own an iPhone, please download and install the App. Search for **靈糧倉房** from the Apple Store. You can easily access many of the spiritual and Bible study programs produced by Kairos. Pray for God's provision so we can continue to develop an App for Android phone use in the near future.
- 4. The enhanced version of the "Walking with Jesus" mp3 series has been completed. It now includes Bible study programs for all the 66 books in the Bible as well as hours of listening of devotional programs and hymns. The Cantonese version of "Walking with Jesus" currently has 21 volumes of Cantonese-language audio Bible study programs as well as Cantonese Melody of Life devotional programs and hymns. It is easy to take along anywhere to listen. It can also be wonderful gift to family and friends as God's Word can accompany them each day wherever they go.
- 5. We have created an electronic version of the "Three-in-One" Bible Study curriculum of the Epistles of Paul. The curriculum with audio files, video file and printable text book pdf files are all loaded onto one USB drive to be viewed or listen on the computer. We also thank God to enable us to print extra copies of the textbooks of the much needed the Twelve Minor Prophets and Epistles of Paul for use in the mission field. Thank you for your prayers! May the Lord continue to use these Bible study materials to help believers in areas where these materials are needed.
- 6. The Board has accepted the resignation of Rev. Tyson Chang tendered at the end of September. Please pray for the needs of the Development and Promotion department.