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Dear Friends of Kairos:

Greetings to you! Since you share the vision of Kairos and have partnered with us in our mission by supporting our needs; may I borrow the words of Naomi in Ruth 2:19 when she said, "Blessed be the man who took notice of you (Kairos)!" May God's rich blessings be with you always!

The Kairos ministry started with Gospel broadcasting. As the mission field was severely interfered by the widespread of false teachings, we realized the best tool to eliminate heresy was to become knowledgeable in the Bible. For this reason, Kairos began to develop and produce various Bible study materials to help Christians at different levels of spiritual needs understand God's Truth. 1. The Audio Scripture Programs (a verse-by-verse, chapter-by-chapter reading with brief explanations). 2. The Bible Study Audio Books. 3. The Bible Study Video Books - providing historical and archeological background materials for Bible school/seminary students, lay-preachers and for church Sunday school use. 4. Written curriculums based on our Bible Study Audio Books. These audio and visual materials are very helpful to those eager in studying God's Word.

Another vision of Kairos is to provide a platform for God's servant leaders to come together to discuss and find effective ways to further God's kingdom using the modern media in this era of rapid technological advancement. The person who can carry this mission at Kairos should be experienced in the field of mass media and also a pastor. We thank our merciful God that after many years of prayers, He has sent Rev. Tyson Chang to join Kairos this month taking on the role of Director of Development and Promotion, as well as the coordinator of the planning committee for the development of the Kairos Institute.

Rev. Chang had been a reporter and editor for both Chinese and English newspaper agencies in Taiwan. He had been assigned as a special reporter stationed in Europe by newspaper agencies and television stations. Rev. Tyson Chang also worked as a news anchor for Chinese Television Service in Taiwan and served as News Director for Asia Television Limited in Hong Kong. After his move to Los Angeles, Rev. Chang worked at various Chinese broadcasting agencies: the LA Chinese Radio, ETTV America, Skylink TV USA, and US Chinese Radio. Of the 5 books that Rev. Chang had written, I was glad to have read the one concerning the ideal news reporter. After I read it, I thought that it would be equally suitable if the word "reporter" was switched to "pastor", what he wrote about the ideal "reporter" can still be applicable and suitable as the ideal "pastor". Rev. Chang was baptized at age 10. He took time from his busy schedule to enroll and study at the North American Chinese Theological Seminary and has been serving the church after graduation. May the Lord anoint him and give him wisdom to accomplish the mission that was given to him.

May the Lord bless you!

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His servant

David Chao 1 March, 2019

March Thanksgiving and Prayer Letter

"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

(Isaiah 41:10 NIV)

- 1. We welcome The Greater Los Angeles Chinese Ministerial Association (GLACMA) to hold their March meeting at Kairos on March 11 (Monday). We have invited Dr. Rev. Ruomin Liu to share during this meeting. The key topic is on "Using media to share the Gospel in a rapidly changing era". Rev Liu was an ordained pastor in China. He had taught at the Nanjing Union Theological Seminary and is currently doing post doctorate research work at the University of Hamburg, Germany. Dr. Liu is not only a rigorous scholar but also has a big heart for evangelism.
- 2. We will be hosting the first "Fellowship Gathering of Friends of Kairos" on 23 March (Saturday) from 10am 12pm at Kairos. Activities include praise and worship singing and exercise, sharing, and snack and fellowship time with prize drawing. If you can come, please complete and return the response card, or call us at (626-282-8470). Thank you!
- 3. Thank you for your prayers and participation at our "Caring for you" ministry. After our seminars on "Dementia", Dr. Hsiao-Fen Chen will host a new series starting April on "Psychological and Mental Health". Doctor Chen has invited Rev. Benjamin Chen to come and speak on this topic with us. Rev. Chen is a professional clinical psychiatrist with the Los Angeles Mental Health Department. He was a graduate from Fuller Theological Seminary, and currently the Senior Pastor of Agape Mission Fellowship. The first seminar of the series will be on April 6 (Saturday) from 2 pm 4 pm. The topic will be on "Depression" symptoms, cure, handling of crisis and availability of family and social services. We welcome you and your friends to come. To register, please call us at 626-282-8470 or by email event@kairos-usa.org.
- 4. Kairos Institute has a new website: www.kairos-elearn.org. Currently we have 18 Old Testament books and 25 New Testament books (Mandarin versions) uploaded online. 7 of the books also have the Cantonese audio files uploaded for listening. We will continue to add in more study books and also Cantonese audio files. Please continue to pray for us!
- 5. Thank you LORD! Since the debut in February of the "2 Minutes Chat" (both Mandarin & Cantonese versions) on the new website: www.getrefresh.life, we have received many good feedbacks. We also thank the audience who faithfully listen to it every day and gave us their precious opinions to help us continue to improve.
- 6. "Gospel Media/Film Workshop" we thank God for the 10 brothers and sisters who had completed 2 months of training. They have now entered the final stage of making a short video by each group. Friends and family are invited to view and celebrate the students' completed videos on March 16 (Saturday). May the LORD bless all those who participated.