We are having a real problem in our Continuing Ministry in almost every Texas prison where Kairos is held - lack of volunteers showing up for Monthly Reunions. The concern is so great that a few of the State Executive Board members put this article together as a reminder of what is expected from volunteers after a weekend.

A few points can be made about Continuing Ministry as a part of the overall Kairos Prison Ministry. First and foremost is that Continuing Ministry is the BACKBONE of our ministry. Almost every other prison ministry that comes into a prison, conducts a revival or a concert, which gets the inmates fully pumped up about the idea of Jesus loving them, and that they should love each other.

The problem is that after the event, the ministry leaves, and over the next few weeks, the excitement and passion deteriorate. A prisoner told me that they call this type of ministry "Bottle Rocket Ministries." Lots of sizzle but the rocket comes back to earth quickly and quietly.

This is where the Continuing Ministry portion of our ministry distinguishes us from other ministries. **We do not leave**. Kairos institutes a Continuing Ministry that encourages inmates to keep up the passions and love they experienced on the Weekend.

Unfortunately, many volunteers in Kairos Inside believe that volunteering for Kairos is accomplished by participating in the 4-day weekends held every 6 months. No doubt the Weekends are vital to our ministry, but keeping the ministry alive after the Weekend is as important as the Weekend.

How about a quick review of the volunteers' commitments, and some Continuing Ministry terms. The scope of Continuing Ministry includes the Instructional Reunion (held shortly after the 4-day Weekend), the weekly Prayer and Share, monthly Reunions and Retreats. Let's focus for this discussion on the last three.



Driskoll Tubbs Chair - Continuing Ministry



#### Weekly Prayer and Share - The Heart of Kairos!

- Conducted every week as Jesus becomes the focus of their lives.
- Inmates sit in their own regular groups.
- The focus of the group's discussion are the questions on the Kairos Grouping Card.
- Volunteers do not sit in the Prayer Circles.
- Only a couple of volunteers are needed to attend, and they stay on the sidelines, not in the Prayer Circles.
- The goal is to have the Prayer and Share fellowship assemble weekly to nurture each inmate in their faith walk with each other and to provide accountability.

#### **Monthly Reunions**

- Conducted once a month.
- Inmates sit in their own groups.
- Volunteers sit in the groups mainly for the purpose of encouraging members in the group.
- The Participants provide the leadership for the monthly reunions.

#### Retreats

- Retreats are conducted approximately 3 months after each Weekend.
- The primary purpose of the Retreat is to give those not grouping some experience in the process of becoming vulnerable to others in a small group environment.
- Retreats are conducted by a Volunteer Team, which means that volunteer participation is critical.

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#### **CARPE DIEM - Scott Baker**



Scott Baker State Chair

#### **CARPE DIEM**

I was thinking about the very motivational personality of the well-known economist and author Dave Ramsey, and his quip to the question, "How are you doing today?" His answer is consistently, "Better than I deserve". Perhaps you have heard it before. The first time I did I was struck by its uplifting nature and have adopted it because I love positive and uplifting quotes, but probably because:

- It is a positive way of thinking.
- It is always well received.
- It sets a tone for a gathering of people that is positive.
- It makes me feel good.
- And it starts an encounter on a positive note with others.

I also find it very welcoming to the men I serve who are incarcerated and to the youth I encounter and serve in a Kairos Torch event. Accordingly, I employ it generously because I am always conscious of the fact that many people do not experience the luxury of a long life, or even a happy life. But I was almost "taken off the count" when I was in a life-threatening accident at 4 years of age. So, I always strive to live a happy life and thank the Lord constantly that I have been given the opportunity to serve others.

"Carpe diem" is Latin for "Seize the day." Isn't that an amazing way to positively live our lives, i.e. by emphasizing the importance of making the most of every moment, including the present moment, regardless of our circumstances? And while "carpe diem" does not appear in the Bible, I believe there are verses that lead us in this direction. For example:

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- In Ephesians 5:15-16, we are told, "Be very careful then how you live not as unwise but as wise making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil."
- In James 4:13-15, we are told, "Now listen, you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money. Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, 'If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that'."
- In Psalm 90:12, we are told, "Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom."

These Bible passages remind us that life on earth is short and unpredictable. Secondly, I take away the message that we should employ every opportunity to make a difference in the world, and in the lives of others, while we can. Among many other Bible verses, these convey the importance of living purposefully, or as Rick Warren told us to do in his book, "The Purpose Driven Life," make the most of our time on earth to glorify God, and to serve God, and to serve others, while we can.

Kairos presents to all of us a most powerful opportunity to practice Carpe diem and to live a blessed life. And the Kairos teachings give us a mindset that inspires us into a most fulfilling life of service driven by a sense of compassion, and one that motivates us to act and contribute to the wellbeing of others in meaningful ways.

Anybody can be negative about the conditions in which we find ourselves in our communities. But, the thought of helping to better the lives of incarcerated men, women, children, and their families, makes me feel I have seized the day in a meaningful way as I know it does for all of you in your service to Kairos.

Kairos has taught me many life lessons in addition to having more compassion. Some of those include striving to "Listen, Listen, Love, Love" more, to have more patience, and to want to Serve more as opposed to Work more on a Kairos Weekend. And finally, I believe that Kairos makes me, "Better than I deserve!"



#### THE CALLING - Walter Palmer

My call to ministry in February was a Damascus Road experience; a breathtaking and dramatic spiritual call to work with troubled youth in youth detention centers. Why me? All I'd asked for was something to do in my retirement. Immediately, I was overflowing with the Spirit, and it gave me strength, commitment, a mission, and a goal.

But where to start? Many prayers later, the Lord answered me: Gainesville State School. After several inquiries in early March, I ended up on the phone with the Kairos leader at the Giddings Unit, Ray Sims, who told me to call David Ross and Dickson de le Haye. Problem solved! They were Kairos Torch experts and guided me through all the intricacies of a New Start.

With their gracious assistance, by April 21<sup>st</sup>, we not only had Gainesville's approval for a Kairos Torch program, we also had a small group of twelve people committed to it. By May 11th, we had formed our Ad Hoc Advisory Council and gotten the State Executive Committee's blessing to have a Kairos Torch at Gainesville. We even had a draft MOU in Gainesville's hands for their review and approval.

Both the kids and the state need Kairos Torch. If we're not in an institution, we need to be. C. F. Hazelwood, TDCJ Deputy Director of Religious Services, puts it best when he says, "We need Kairos in every prison." Steve Whatley's State New Start Committee has developed the right strategy for doing this: our Faith should not be "passive" but "active" and when we are "called," we must "respond quickly" and just "go!"

Things are so bad within TJJD that Director Carter of the State Advisory Committee of Juvenile Justice (ACJJ) stated at a meeting on November 27, 2023 that contract care for committed youth had "completely dissolved." The Mart unit is the most challenged unit in the state because they have been operating at a 60% staff capacity of JCO's and have only 38% of the needed clinical staff. The TJJD system has finally reached an inflection point in which referrals have returned to pre-pandemic levels with many of the youth entering the system being placed in the highest risk category; which means they can't be placed in alternative or diversion type programs. Because

#### Walter Palmer Kairos Torch



of this, and the more aggressive nature of the juveniles being processed, determinate sentences are increasing and the need for two or more co-occurring treatments at intake now stands at 96% of TJJD's prison population.

Kairos Torch needs you. Gainesville is actively seeking volunteers to get a full team in place. Another Torch is being formed by Kyan Kirby and Dorothy Clay at the Ron Jackson Unit in Brownwood. These two units are just a start. Kairos Torch needs to be in both the Mart and Evins units too; after which Torch will be in all State TJJD facilities. This says nothing of the numerous county juvenile facilities in which youth are languishing away on waitlists and needing a program like Kairos Torch. So, if you feel "The Calling" for youth ministry and mentoring, please feel free to "just go" and contact the State Torch Chairperson, Dickson de le Haye, or the State New Start Committee Chair, Steve Whatley, for more information. God Bless You



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Louisville Kentucky July 24-27, 2024

Registration is Now Open at www.mykairos.org/conferenence.html





### In Loving Memory

During the Kairos Prison Ministry Summer Conference July 24-27, 2024 at Louisville, Ky. there will be a Memorial service for all those Kairos volunteers who have gone to be with God in the past year. We are now gathering those names so they can be remembered. If you know of anyone please send the info to <a href="mailto:bettye.keefer@yahoo.com">bettye.keefer@yahoo.com</a> along with their next-of-kin so that I can send them a card.

Thanks, Bettye

#### **Choose Your God**

Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve... But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD. (JOSHUA 24:15)

I recently saw a commercial for an online game based on Greek mythology. It spoke about armies, mythological gods, heroes, and quests. What got my attention was the description of how to get the game started. You go online to register, choose your god, then build your empire.

Wow! "Choose your god." Those words, though presented casually in the ad, struck me as being characteristic of one of the most dangerous things about our world. In a game, it may be insignificant what "god" you choose; but in the real world that choice has eternal consequences.

To a generation of Israelites surrounded by the gods of their day, Joshua declared that they must choose their god---but it must not be done in a cavalier way. He set the example as he said, "Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD" (Joshua 24:15).

Today, as in the days of Joshua, there are many options. But there is only one wise choice--the true God. Joshua made the right choice. "We will serve the Lord."

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#### **Bob Crane - State Treasurer**

There have been multiple questions about options for individuals to make donations to Kairos. Here are the current options and limitations:

#### 1. Cash or checks:

- Individuals can write a check payable to the local Unit or donate cash.
- Checks and cash must be recorded on a Receipt Log which the Financial Secretary uses to record the donor information in KairosDonor.
- If collecting cash by 'passing the hat' and individual names are not known, the total amount collected is recorded as "Anonymous" or "Friends of Kairos."
- If a donor gives cash and they want a tax letter at year-end, complete donor information must be recorded on the Receipt Log with the individual donation amount.
- A single Receipt Log may include checks, donor-specific cash, and combined cash.

#### 2. Online Donations:

- Online donations may be made through the Kairos of Texas website (<a href="https://kairostexas.org/how-to-help.html">https://kairostexas.org/how-to-help.html</a>) using a credit/debit card or their PayPal account; NOTE: PayPal is the payment processor, but any credit / debit card can be used.
- This QR code may be used to scan and directly access the donation page on a mobile device
  this sample can be modified to add your unit name and made available whenever fundraising takes place.

Concerns have been voiced about the challenge of designating a specific Advisory Council for their donation using the online option.

Because PayPal limits the designation options in the dropdown menu to only 10 items, it is not possible to list all of the 60+ Texas Advisory Councils. Obviously, It would be unfair to list only 10 Units, so the options available are "Where most Needed" or "Specific Unit – Add unit name in next step

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- The next screen contains a field that says "+ Click here to add unit or add'l info" All the donor has to do is click on this text and then type the unit name or any other pertinent information for example... in memory of, in honor of, etc.
- IMPORTANT: If "Specific Unit" is selected and a unit is not named, I always send an email to the donor asking if they want to designate a specific unit; once a unit is designated by a donor, I use that information until / unless it is changed by the donor.
- I transfer (Wells Fargo accounts) or issue a check (non-Wells Fargo accounts) for all PayPal donation to the Advisory Councils once a month generally on the 1st of each month for the previous month; I also provide the donor information for each donation.
- There have been concerns about the fee charged for online donations... Yes, PayPal does charge a processing fee for each transaction (Charities are charged 1.99% + \$0.49 for each transaction); While none us like to pay fees, all online donation platforms charge a similarly structured fee (percentage plus flat fee); PayPal has one of the lower fee structures for charities.
- We are evaluating other online donation platforms that will provide more flexibility

   but we also need to balance features
   versus cost. If we find a better option, I am hoping we can update our online giving platform later this year.
- NOTE: Individual Advisory Councils are not allowed to establish an online donation platform linked to their Kairos bank account.

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#### Testimony from an Ex-Offender

Kairos, I believe has saved my life but more than anything else it has revealed Gods purpose for my life in allowing me to carry that purpose out. I grew up in a Christian home. My grandfather, dad, and two brothers are all pastors. I accepted Jesus and was saved at a young age. None of my struggles later on in life had anything to do with my parents or my upbringing. I had a great childhood.

I can't tell you what happened, but one day I just decided I wasn't enough and started making decisions that wrecked not only my life but everyone who was a part of my life. When I went to prison the first time, my daughter was 4 years old, and I was incarcerated for 2 years flat for theft and forgery. During my incarceration my now husband supported me and helped me in every way imaginable. Upon release and after I had been out a while, we were married, and my daughter and I moved to live with him in Andrews where he is a teacher.

I wish I could say that I learned my lesson while I was incarcerated the first time, but it was a mere playground for me. I was young, selfish, and arrogant. The world owed me everything and I owed the world zip. Michael and I had been married 4 years when we had another child, a little boy. I had started up on some of the same issues that landed me in prison the first time (he had no idea).

Life continued and I was able to conceal it for a while until I was 5 months pregnant with our 3rd, and our world fell apart. My husband was blindsided by my arrest, and we knew things were going to be bad. Long story short, I ended up in prison again where I gave birth to our third child while I was in prison. That was my rock bottom. In a hospital room, with a guard and nobody else.

Thankfully God was in that room that night and that prison guard prayed over me and my daughter the entire time and spoke life into me. The next year of my life (without my newborn) was one of pain, growth, but most importantly restoration and redemption. I was released and I had changed. ...for good.

Unfortunately, I was going back to a town that is not friendly to a sinner. I never left my house. I had zero friends, and I was ok with that. This went on for 6 years. Then one day out of the blue my husband came home from the grocery store and said I ran into Barbara, and gave her your information. She is involved with Kairos. Before I

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knew it, I was meeting her for coffee and then I was signed up for the next weekend at Camp Butman.

During the few months that were between our meeting and the weekend, my older brother took his own life. I shut the world out. I didn't know what to do. The only thing that got me to my Kairos weekend was an obligation to Barbara, but I am so glad I went. That weekend was the first day of the rest of my life. It has given me a community of women who I can be my weird, honest self with and are my 24/7 accountability sisters.

I just went back to prison in November but not as an offender, as a volunteer for a Kairos Inside. My purpose is to minister to the women in white and to the mothers and daughters whose loved ones are incarcerated. Kairos has changed my life. When I got home from attending my weekend, I got out of my car and the first thing my 6-year-old daughter said to me was,' Momma, the sunshine is back in your eyes." That's Kairos....that's the love of Jesus.

#### **Driskoll - Cont from page 1**

#### **Recording Continuing Ministry data in Messenger**

Officially, three members of the Ad Councils have both access and the capability to update the Continuing Ministry information in Messenger. The Ad Council Secretary, the Continuing Ministry Coordinator, and the Data Entry Coordinator all have authority. For those who will be entering data, they must get their Passwords from the Ad Council Secretary. You go to

www.kairosmessenger.org to enter the Messenger data. Continuing Ministry Training

The Continuing Ministry Committee is working on creating a training package to be used by Ad Councils and Weekend Leaders. Its purpose will be to emphasize the importance for volunteers to be involved in Continuing Ministry monthly instead of once every 6 months.

One of the first steps every Continuing Ministry Coordinator should take is to sign up for the online Continuing Ministry Training provided by KPMI. There are classes scheduled for June, August and November.

REMEMBER - Continuing Ministry is the BACKBONE of Kairos!



#### Lauro Ochoa - Torres Unit

I would like to express how much my Kairos walk affected me, due to the amazing love poured out by all the volunteers and supporters of the Kairos walk. I used to be a man that did not talk to or reach out to others. I was a very ugly person, I did not even love myself, that talk is for another time in the future.

Kairos came to my unit. I was asked to sign up to attend. Well, GOD does have a reason for us to come to Kairos. I'm here in prison because someone lost their life because of me! I was not into church or the Bible back then, but I do remember hearing this at church "Thou shall not kill!" In my mind I was doomed! At Kairos a pastor asked me one question I'll never forget! "Are you bigger than GOD?" Well of course not. He then went on to tell me something that shook me to my core! That if GOD could forgive me, but I couldn't forgive myself or believe that GOD forgave me then I was putting myself above GOD, and that I was bigger than Him!

GOD used those small words to flip my world as I knew it upside down and I've never been the same thanks to JESUS. I cried like never before, accepted Jesus as my Lord and Savior and thanks to GOD I've never looked back. My journey with the Lord has not been easy I've been tested more than I would want, but in all I've gone through, it has only strengthened my faith in the Lord knowing that I'm not alone in whatever comes my way!

I've been in this place (Prison) 22 years. I have been set off 3 times and I've been asked by the major and other officers alike, why do I continue to serve GOD if He keeps not letting me go home. My response, "I serve GOD because He loves me and what He has done for me, not so He can let me go home! I serve Him because His love showed me what true love really is."

Most people say they know what love is, but do they? This is what true love is, this is what my Abba showed me: love is to put others first, love sincerely, give freely. He did it for us when He sent my Savior to pay my penalty on the Cross! All 3 were demonstrated, He put me first, He loved me sincerely and He did it freely knowing I could never repay that debt! That is why I believe in Kairos, it's when I came to see true love in strangers who did not even know me or what I was in here for and they could care less, they were there for one reason and one reason alone and that was to show a man like me that love is real!

They gave love freely and asked nothing in return! How could a man turn that down?? I thank GOD for the Kairos community, it's where I now get to serve and give back to other men on the unit who know the old Ochoa, when I was bitter and ugly. Now thanks to Jesus I'm loving, kind and giving. Only GOD could transform a man like me. Thank You Jesus!

Be blessed and much love to you all. In His light and by His grace,

Lauro Ochoa, 1st Corinthians 15:10

God used Noah knowing he would get drunk.
God used Jacob knowing he would lie.
God used use Moses knowing he would murder.
God used Jacob knowing he would lie.
God used Rahab knowing she was a prostitute.
God used Jonah knowing he would run away.
God used David knowing he would commit adultery.

God used Saul knowing he would persecute Christians.

SO, what makes you think God can't use you??



Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the Heart.

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#### 1. Bank Bill Pay Service:

- Many banking institutions offer a bill pay service at no charge.
- The local Kairos Advisory Council name and PO Box mailing address can be used, but the bank will need to issue a check - direct ACH transfers are not permitted at this time.
- Individuals should contact their own bank to set this up generally they can be one-time payments or a recurring payment.
- I know this is a viable option because Kairos of Texas receives at least two bill pay checks each month as a recurring donation.

## 2. Direct Donations using a cash App (Zelle, Venmo, etc.):

- The short answer is no the current Kairos financial policy does not allow these methods of depositing funds into Kairos accounts for the following reasons:
  - 1. The Wells Fargo accounts are commercial (or business) accounts and Wells Fargo does not support cash apps for commercial accounts.
  - 2. Requires direct access to Kairos bank accounts and once established often allows both deposits and payments.
  - 3. Because these are instant transfers, the lack of 2-person control that Kairos requires.
  - 4. Often these cash apps do not provide the donor information required by Kairos in order to issue an acknowledgement or year-end IRS letter.
  - 5. A receipt log cannot be created before the deposit is made required for FS to record the donation in Kairos Donor.

## 3. Direct transfers from Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA) held by a Financial Institutions:

 US Tax policy allows individuals to make charitable donations with their Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) directly from their IRA account to the charity.

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- However, at the present time, Kairos policies do not support this donation option for individual Advisory Councils.
- KPMI is currently evaluating the ability to support this in the future.

#### **Dr. Charles Stanley**

Walking God's Way

(READ: GALATIANS 5:22-23)

Who doesn't enjoy accomplishments? Most of us like being recognized for our achievements, whether it's landing a big client at work, winning the chili cook-off, or training a baby to sleep all night. These are all good things, but God's purpose for us is so much deeper. Galatians 5:22-23 tells us that our character is important to God. That's why He instructs us to walk by the Spirit, so that the deeds of the flesh are replaced with God's attributes:

**Love** is the foundation for all other virtues. We cultivate it by embracing God's unconditional love for us.

**Joy** is contentment regardless of our circumstances. **Peace** comes from trusting God and surrendering to Him.

**Patience** is developed by trusting His perfect timing.

**Kindness** is God's compassion reflected to others. **Goodness** occurs as we mirror His righteousness and justice.

**Faithfulness** means we are steadfast and trustworthy.

**Gentleness** come when we approach others with humility.

**Self-control** requires us to exercise restraint and rely on the Holy Spirit's strength.

Growing in these virtues makes us more Christlike and testifies to God's transformative work in our life. And that's an accomplishment worth celebrating.



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#### **Our Daily Bread**

One of the most dreaded sentences a patient can hear is, "You have cancer." These words bring a chill to the heart. Although great progress is being made in treating this disease, recovery can be long painful, and many people do not survive. An enthusiastic believer in Christ, Dan Richardson, lost his battle with cancer. But his life demonstrated that even though the physical body may be destroyed by disease, the spirit can remain triumphant. This poem was distributed at his memorial service:

Cancer is so limited...

It cannot cripple love,

It cannot shatter hope,

It cannot corrode faith,

It cannot eat away peace,

It cannot destroy confidence,

It cannot kill friendship,

It cannot shut out memories,

It cannot silence courage,

It cannot invade the soul.

It cannot reduce eternal life,

It cannot quench the Spirit,

It cannot lessen the power of the resurrection.

If an incurable disease has invaded your life, refuse to let it touch your spirit. Your body can be severely afflicted, and you may have a great struggle. But if you keep trusting God's love, your spirit will remain strong.

Our greatest enemy is not disease, but despair.



Praise the Lord





Be sure to visit our website at <a href="www.kairostexas.org">www.kairostexas.org</a>. Our webmaster is Cheryl Glasgow. The schedule and location for State Board meetings for 2024 are included here. We have a calendar showing when all the weekends will be held. Check your weekend - we depend on you to keep your calendar updated.

On that same website you will find the current state officers, state meetings and minutes, map of state meetings, committees, and the weekends dates. You will also find this current and past newsletters there. If your unit does a newsletter, we would love to add it. There are links to KPMI and TDCJ.

There is information about Kairos Outside, including structure, forms and information, newsletters, and mission field. The minutes for KO meetings can also be found there.

Please take a look and see if we need to change, remove or add anything.

KO STATE Reps. Meetings 2024 Dates: Feb. 10, May 11. Aug. 10, Nov.9

Time: 8:00 am - 2:30 pm

**Location: Hill Country Bible Church** 

12124 RR 620 North Cedar Park, TX

**Meeting Minutes Archived** 

KO Executive Committee Meetings 2024 Date: Feb. 9, May 10, Aug. 9, Nov. 8 Time: 5:00 pm Kairos of Texas Board Time: 7:00 pm Kairos Outside Board Location: Hill Country Bible Church

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Some people are kind, polite, and sweet-spirited - until you try to sit in their pews.

Many folks want to serve God, but only as advisers.

#### 7 Nuggets to Live By - Ann Kissman

- 1. Success will come and go, but integrity is forever.
- 2. We must believe in ourselves, after our Lord and Savior.
- 3. Live in the present, yesterday is past.
- 4. Let go of what holds you back, embrace the future.
- 5. Be grateful for where you are, you're still alive.
- 6. Give thanks and praise in advance, it's the right thing to do.
- 7. Control what you can daily, because God holds tomorrow.

#### CHOICES IN EVERY DAY LIFE

Choose to feel blessed.

Choose to feel grateful.

Choose to be excited.

Choose to be thankful.

Choose to be happy.

Choose to smile.

Choose to THANK GOD for this beautiful blessing called LIFE!

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