

DEBBIE GREIG – KSA APPLICATION FOR OUTSIDE ADVANCED KAIROS TRAINER

1. Please share a brief overview of yourself:

First and foremost, in my life is that I serve a mighty God. Christ is the centre of my life and all else flows from there. I have been married to Gary for the past 38 years and we have a daughter of 30.

Our daughter is happily married to our son-in-law Luke and they have a daughter named Zoey. As all grannies I think that Zoey is the best granddaughter in the world!

One of my favourite places to holiday is the Cedarberg. Every year we camp and usually spend almost two wonderful weeks surrounded by mountains, wildlife and a river. There is no cell phone reception and I absolutely love it. It is one of the places where I feel closest to God and where I can marvel at His creation.

I have a heart of compassion for the homeless, destitute and incarcerated. I truly believe that no one is so bad or lost that they cannot find forgiveness and wholeness in Christ. I am His hands and feet, so in this to speak, as are you.

2. Do you understand and agree that “KSA portfolio positions shall be required to acknowledge their commitment to the Statement of Faith of Kairos and must be dedicated to the Lord and successful in their respective areas of Christian leadership. They must wholeheartedly support the core documents of the Mission and Core Values and be able to give their time and resources capacity.”
Yes, I do.

3. Please explain why you are interested in becoming a part of the KSA portfolio.

I believe that I can bring my years of supporting and serving on Kairos Prison Ministry to this portfolio as I have an in depth understanding of what is required to run a functional Advisory Council and the various portfolios within it. I also have an understanding of the challenges faced. Women’s Outside performs a vital role in the ministry and I would love to be a part of providing the necessary training.

4. How do you think you could benefit and strengthen this ministry?

Having served on an Advisory Committee in various roles including Chair, I have had the opportunity to study the ACOP and understand the role each member plays and how every portfolio is there to work together in order to have a healthy and functional AC. I have seen why it is vital to remain within the riverbanks, to study the Manual and get a working understanding of the Program. I am passionate about the ministry and wish to bring that to the training in a fun and supportive way. I have a lot of patience and enjoy training and supporting others. I do not mind being asked questions and trying to help the person learn.

5. What issues, opportunities and/or challenges do you see as crucial in helping this ministry continue to make an impact?

I can only speak as from my experience within the Western Cape. I would imagine that some of the challenges which has been faced here would be similar in some ways across the country. It is important that members only serve in one of the ministries and do not serve on multiple ministries. We can only give your best to one ministry and the other will suffer. Members need to understand what their portfolio entails and to be open and honest if they feel that they are not equipped or coping in order for them to receive the necessary training and support. It’s important to understand the fundamental requirements of the Ministry in order to build on that and to function as a healthy and growing AC.

6. What experiences, if any, have you had in serving in the non-profit sector?
I have only served in Kairos.
7. Provide an overview of your Kairos experience.
I first supported Kairos Men's Inside by attending many of the closing ceremonies. I later got involved with Torch and served as an assistant table leader, later I became a table leader. I start by as Fundraising co-ordinator as well as Financial Secretary/Donor Co-ordinator within the AC. From there I became Vice-Chair and finally Chair. In total I served for a period of six years within Torch. I have also attended a number of AKT sessions over the years. I have only attended Women's Outside closing as my commitment was with Torch.
8. Does your schedule allow your attendance at all KSA activities? If so, do you understand and support the following KSA expectations: Attend "at least five (5) meetings per year" and "standing monthly meetings as needed. The annual meeting shall count as one of these meetings. At least two meetings of the KSA portfolio shall be in person and may be held at such time and place as determined by the KSA Chair."
Yes, I understand and agree to the requirements. I am able to attend meetings in person or via ZOOM.
9. Are you willing "to financially support the Mission within individual means?"
Yes, I am.
10. Do you believe you would have full support/understanding from your family of the time and commitment needed to serve this portfolio?
Definitely, my husband serves as the trainer for Torch.
11. Do you understand that if elected (or appointed) to the KSA portfolio, you may not, while serving KSA, serve as a member or officer of the International Council or serve as an officer on your respective KDC or Advisory Council?
Yes, I do.

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