



## Go!

*Praying beyond our walls*

“When Your people go out to battle against their enemy, wherever You send them, and when they pray to the LORD . . . then hear in heaven their prayer . . . and maintain their cause” (1 Kings 8:44–45)

March 2004

## Connect

Every Sunday, 9:30am & 5:30pm –  
Pre-service prayer (Wedge Room)

Every Tuesday, 7:00am – Father’s  
Heart men’s prayer (Café)

**Every Thursday, 9:00pm – Frank  
& Sandra’s weekly prayer  
(Duluth)**

**Sunday nights (once a month),  
7:00pm – Mary Hower’s prayer  
for Central Asia with Adam &  
Mary Hoyt (Norcross); call for  
next date–770-265-1597**

Fri, Apr 2nd, 7:30pm – Unveiled  
(Auditorium)

**Wed, Apr 14th, 7:00pm– Patrick  
& Angel’s prayer evangelism  
(Wedge Room)**

Fri, Apr 16th, 7:30pm – “Unite”  
churches joining us at Unveiled  
(Auditorium)

## Give Him Praise!

- Karen Peterson—ESL instructor at Georgia Tech; I have a student from the same country in Central Asia that we are adopting; I’ve never had a student from that country before!
- Andy & Rachel Frecka (YWAM, Perm, Russia)—Our Discipleship Training School students are preparing to go on their first international outreach. It is our desire to see Russians released into missions around the world and we believe that this is just the first wave of many future and larger waves of Russians going to the nations! Seeing the students go beyond Russia is the product of much prayer.
- Luane Thomson (Just Say Hey international student ministry)—We participated in a Culture Fest March 24th at Georgia Perimeter College. Paul Maurer & I took a display board & fun goodies (thanks to Chrissey Bahnsen’s gathering & organizing skills!) to represent the good ole USA alongside about 15 other countries. We were swamped with about 200 students wolfing down hot dogs & apple pie from us & a variety of other international foods. We made some good connections with students. At this point we are still building—establishing our presence and commitment to the students. We had about 5 new students sign up with an interest in events.
- Wanda Taft (YWAM, Atlanta)—I’d like to thank everyone for praying for me during the last couple of weeks (I was in Perm, Russia, teaching at the YWAM DTS). It was a very good time.

## Learning to Know God Better & Better at the Norcross Co-op

**By Mary Hoyt (LOT),  
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Colossians 1:10 says, “Then the way you live will always honor and please the Lord, and you will continually do good, kind things for others. All the while, you will learn to know God better and better.”

Six months ago, a Local Outreach Lead Team formed at AVC, and our primary focus so far has been shepherding a steadily growing group of AVC volunteers at the Norcross Co-operative ministry. It is true joy to work alongside believers from several different denominations in such a well-run ministry devoted to meeting practical and spiritual needs in the community.

Most of the Co-op’s clients provide immediate positive feedback for the volunteers with broad smiles and sincere “Thank You’s” (or “Gracias”). Several individuals have opened up when asked if we could pray with them and received a gentle touch from the Lord, sometimes evidenced with tears or just peaceful silence. It is in these moments that we experience the exhilaration of extending the Lord’s compassion to others.

But God is faithful to also send us those clients who challenge us to “know God better” in his patience, kindness, and limitless generosity of self. It is in struggling through these moments that we are truly maturing into the image of Christ. And though these experiences can be uncomfortable and disappointing, we count them as pure joy as we draw ever nearer to the heart of our Lord.

*[Please pray for those engaged in local outreach—see the website missions calendar for more details.]*

## Turkey Prayer Journey

Sign up now for the Turkey prayer  
journey (June 5th–13th). Contact  
Karen Peterson for more info:  
karecrazy@hotmail.com

## Website

Visit us on the web at  
www.atlantavineyard.com/prayer

## International prayer requests

- Holli Oakley—pray for the expanded visions for JavaJaw and for CCX (Fellowship of Christian Students); pray that my relationships with students will continue to grow; pray that the conference in May will go off without a hitch and that many students will gain a desire to reach out to their peers (conference is for Christian students in Perm to learn how to become contagious Christians); pray for my apartment situation; pray for increased ministry support . . . as ministries grow here, so do the financial and material needs; pray for a partner in ministry for me—I'm tired of feeling like I'm on my own—even Jesus sent his disciples out two-by-two (I'm not necessarily talking about a husband here, but if you feel so inclined, pray that way!)
- Central Asia Partnership—there are 8 churches worldwide joining together to plant Vineyards in our Central Asian country; pray that God would raise up a prayer coordinator; Luane will be meeting with others in the partnership in England 4/23-4/29
- Andy & Rachel Frecka (YWAM, Perm, Russia)—Our Discipleship Training School is preparing to send students on their 1st international outreach—they'll be in Siberia, Kazakhstan, & China—please pray for them; Rachel and I (and Hannah and Charles) are going to Budapest April-June so that Rachel can study at a YWAM school of Principles of Children and Youth Ministry; Rachel desires to see this school multiplied throughout Russia; this is the first step to see that become a reality; please pray for our family as we adjust to new living conditions for a few months; pray for me as I'll be traveling in & out of Russia, & for the mission here in Perm in our absence; pray for finances to complete the renovations at our training center—God has miraculously provided for the purchase of this facility which will be used as a launch pad of missionaries to the nations (need \$50,000 to finish)
- Kim Hand (YWAM, West Sussex, England)—I have a few teaching opportunities coming up on the DTS (Discipleship training school) so please pray for that as well as relationships with the students in the school; I do one-on-one type discipleship meetings with them; please pray for finances as I have some extra expenses coming up.
- Kent & Debbie Chandler (YWAM, Edinburgh, Scotland)—Protection from the schemes of the enemy as Kent goes into the pubs to be a light in the darkness with music; pray as relationships are built that the Holy Spirit will give him the opportunity to share the hope of Jesus; pray specifically for William to be open to the saving grace of Jesus Christ, & that he will agree to experience “The Passion” movie with Kent; pray for Kent as he continues to build relationships in his cooking class; pray that he'll continue to have more opportunities to share the love of Jesus with Brian; pray that Debbie will have an opportunity to volunteer with a group that works with Muslim women in Edinburgh; pray that the relationship with Peggy will grow, and that she'll be able to share the hope & love of Jesus in a practical way with her; please pray that God will provide all of our transportation and logistics while in Atlanta, as well as travel to Arkansas, Texas, and Colorado (April 18th - July 18th); pray that God continues to show us his heart for Morocco, & His timing & provision for us to GO serve Him there; please continue to pray for Kent & Debbie's health, as this continues to be an area of attack by the enemy.

## Domestic prayer requests

- Central Asia adoption of refugee family—pray that God would raise up a team leader & team coordinators for the areas of hospitality, housing & finances, health, education, employment & public assistance, orientation, prayer; also pray for the right housing
- Mission Bridge Central Asia—please pray for the team in preparation: Phil & Luane Thomson (leaders), Rachel Brown, Leif Coburn, Kim Fleek, Adam & Mary Hoyt, Karen Peterson, Jennifer Poteet, Beverly Richardson, and from Perm, Russia—Ralph Hale and Ed & Alyona Artemyeva
- Prayer Journey to Turkey—please pray for our leaders, Tom & Robin Seagraves, and the team that is in formation as they prepare to go
- Steve & Liz Iliff (YWAM, Weyerhaeuser, Wisconsin)—we are in Ufa, Russia from March 25th - April 2nd, then in Perm, Russia from April 3rd - 11th. While we are in Ufa, please pray for English classes we are teaching; fruitful prayer-walking; hearts ready to receive the Good News; for the Vineyard church plant and the Clemence family, who will be hosting us; lots of divine appointments. While we are in Perm, please pray for the hearts of Tajik migrant workers; for the best strategy for reaching Tajik men with the Gospel; for the crisis pregnancy center that the Perm Vineyard runs; for the Perm Vineyard and the Hale family; for relationship and possibly partnership to develop between our base & the Perm Vineyard; that the Lord would speak to us about how all these things tie together; for safety in travel & continued good health; that our boys would like the food and that the food would like us!
- Wanda Taft (YWAM, Atlanta)—In this “sabbatical” time, I just want the grace to keep learning to rest, to play, to keep yielding to all that the Father is doing within my soul, to know I am loved deeply, and to not be in a hurry through it all.

## Missions-focused prayer groups

**Mary, Adam, & Mary's prayer for Central Asia:** Come pray with Mary Hower at Adam & Mary Hoyt's home on one Sunday a month (7:00pm) (call for next date)! We focus on praying for our adopted country in Central Asia, and pray for other missions-related things as well. 6657 September Eve, Norcross 30092. 770-265-1597, howermary@cs.com

**Patrick & Angel's prayer evangelism:** Come pray with Patrick & Angel D'Auria at the AVC in the Wedge Room on the 2nd Wednesday of every month (7:00pm)! They have a heart for the lost, not only family members, but all people groups. 678-366-9481, 404-694-0547 (cell), angel.dauria@hp.com

**Frank & Sandra's weekly prayer:** Come pray with Frank & Sandra Teixeira in Duluth every Thursday night (9:00pm)! We pray for many things, focusing on Brazil and general prayer requests for the AVC, starting at 9:00pm in our home. 2006 Howell Walk, Duluth 30096. 678-957-1519, 678-887-8759 (cell), grettex2000@bellsouth.net