



On Your Mark!

Connecting in prayer at the AVC

"Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us" (Hebrews 12:1)

May 2006

Connect

1st & 3rd *Sundays*, 6:00–7:30pm—
Unveiled (Auditorium) 404-388-0518

1st *Sundays*, 12:30–1:00pm—
Prayer for Orphans (upstairs
classroom) 770-476-2417

2nd *Sundays*, 8:30–10:00am—
Prophetic Roundtable (youth room)
404-388-0518

Every *Sunday*, 9:30–10:15am—Pre-
service prayer (Prayer Room) 404-
388-0518

Every *Monday*, 12:00–1:00pm—
Prayer for the Atlanta Vineyard
(Prayer Room) 404-388-0518

Every *Tuesday*, 7:00–8:00am—
Father's Heart prayer (Café) [men
only] 770-274-1010 ext. 13

1st *Tuesdays*, 6:00–8:00pm— Pray
with clients at Norcross Co-op (2275
Mitchell Rd, Norcross), 770-274-
1010 ext. 23

Every *Wednesday*, 7:00–8:30pm—
Prayer classes (see website for class
titles & teachers) 404-388-0518

Every *Wednesday*, 9:00pm—Pray
with Frank & Sandra (Duluth), 770-
935-8098

Every *Thursday*, 7:00–7:30pm—
Prayer for re:vision (Prayer Room)
404-275-0927

Most days (call for times)—Pray w/
patients at Good Samaritan Health
Center (Duluth) 404-512-4340

Love

"May you be rooted deep in love
and founded securely on
love" (Ephesians 3:17, Amplified
Bible)

Be Grounded

By Patti Benjamin

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Have you ever thought about what it means to be grounded?

At my workplace I work with static sensitive parts. I have to literally be grounded when I handle these parts. I hook myself up to a power outlet via a special cord and then I can safely handle the parts. They come in a special bag and they have to be repackaged in special static free bags. One little spark and the parts are useless.

When I think of being grounded a couple of things come to mind. I think of having my feet firmly planted on solid ground and I also think of being solidly grounded in the truth of God's Word. Another thing I think of is being grounded during a lightening storm.

When I have my feet solid on the ground I'm not chasing after whims or flights of fancy. Yes, I can still dream but I know that I am based in reality and not fantasy. When I am grounded solidly in God's Word no lie or half-truth will cause me to falter from what I know to be the Truth. From the time I was very young the thing I remember about being grounded during a lightening storm is not to touch anything metal, stay out of the water and to get as low as possible.

When I hook myself up to the power outlet at work I always stop and think about being hooked up to THE Power Source, God. We have the opportunity to hook up to Him every day. He wants for us to be so close to His power and might that we are literally hooked up to Him.

When I further stretch out this analogy I think of how we can avoid sparking against each other. Sometimes, conversely to the song, it only takes a spark to get a fire going in the wrong way amongst believers. If we are all grounded and hooked up we will be less likely to spark against each other.

Finally, I have watched in amazement power filled lightening storms where every inch of my being seemed to be electrified. God created electricity and man, to some degree, has learned to harness it. But we must be careful handling it. There is a radio commercial that says, "Dumb electricians don't live long" It's true! We must handle the power that we are allowed to tap into carefully. We must remember Who the power source really is and hook up to Him. He will ground us in Himself.

Prayer Retreat

July 28th - 30th, 2006

Come join about 50 of us as we go away for a weekend to seek the Lord together and grow in intimacy with Him! The retreat includes 3 sessions of worship, prayer, teaching by Michael & Debra Goldstone, and a quiet afternoon to spend alone with God. Our retreat center is only 45 minutes from the Atlanta Vineyard. You can sign up after services on May 7th, 14th, or 21st (registration is \$100).

Contact: Leigh Craven, 770-396-1854,
leighbear22@hotmail.com

The body of Christ needs you!

Regardless of your:

- Gifts
- Talents
- Schedule
- Experience

there is a place for you to serve in the prayer & prophetic ministries of the Atlanta Vineyard. All you need is a heart for God and a heart to serve.

Let me know if you're interested!

Contact: Karen Sculley, 404-388-0518,
karens@atlantavineyard.com

Father's Heart [men]

Every Tuesday, 7:00am, Café Vineyard

The Father's Heart prayer group meets every Tuesday morning to lift up prayer needs of the AVC. Johnny Crist leads prayer for the Atlanta Vineyard and the city of Atlanta, and has a heart to mentor men in prayer. All men are welcome!

Contact: Johnny Crist, 770-274-1010 ext. 13,
johnnyc@atlantavineyard.com

Prayer classes – Wednesday nights, 7:00–8:30pm

Please join us for some great teaching, discussion, and prayer time at our midweek prayer classes.

May 10th – “Close Encounters: Going Deeper in His Presence” (Kathy Carnahan)

May 17th – “Treasure Quest: Praying the Scriptures” (June Leverette)

May 24th – “Love Songs: Praying the Scriptures in Song” (Karen Sculley & Wanda Taft)

May 31st–August 9th – Summer prayer mentoring

A Little Inspiration . . .

“It is not so true that
'prayer changes things'
as that prayer changes me,
and I change things.”

Oswald Chambers

My Utmost for His Highest

