

## **Wally P.**

Wally P. is the author of *Back to Basics The Alcoholics Anonymous Beginners' Meetings* and *How to Listen to God: Overcoming Addiction Through Practice of Two-way Prayer*. He is the originator of the Back to Basics Beginners' Meetings, which have grown to more than 2,200 groups, and produced more than 250,000 recoveries since its reintroduction into the Twelve-Step community in 1997. This "original" 12-Step meeting format was a phenomenal success during the 1940's and 1950's, but had become an all but lost piece of history until Wally rediscovered it.

As Wally describes his work, "It's all about saving lives. *Back to Basics* takes us back to the 'original' program that produced a 50-75% recovery rate. We are seeing similar results today for those who are willing to stay with the *Beginners' Meetings* for 90-180 days. Many, who had given up all hope of ever recovering, have found the answer to their problems in these four one-hour sessions."



**Presented by the  
Sober is Great  
Group of**

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS which  
holds the following meetings  
weekly:**

Tuesday, 7 pm, Salvation Army, 400 Luckie Street  
(Beginners Meeting using Back to Basics format)

Wednesday, 7 pm, Peachtree Presbyterian Seminar  
Room in Kellest Chapel (Solutions Meeting)

Thursday, 8 pm, Peachtree Presbyterian 4th floor  
(Beginners Meeting using Back to Basics format)

Sunday, 5 pm, Peachford Communities (Beginners  
Meeting using Back to Basics format)

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**ALCOHOLICS  
ANONYMOUS**

**SOBERFEST**



**Friday, September 29**

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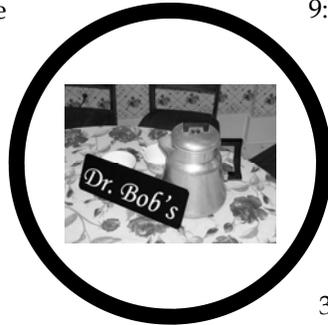
**Sunday, October 1**

**All events will be held at  
Peachtree Presbyterian  
Church  
3434 Roswell Road NW  
Atlanta**

## Saturday, September 30, 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.—Fellowship Hall

Earl T., the founder of AA in Chicago, took the steps in several hours (see *"He Sold Himself Short"* in the Big Book). We ask the question, *"Do you want to be happy, joyous and free now or later?"*

We will work the 12 steps as Dr. Bob worked them with Earl T. and as the first one hundred worked them. This is an opportunity to experience how AA's old timers sponsored newcomers in the early days when AA was a rapidly growing fellowship.



**SPONSORSHIP WORKSHOP**

### SCHEDULE:

- 8:30—9 am—Registration
- 9:00—9:30 am—Welcome/Introductions
- 9:30—10:30 am—Session I
- 10:45—12:00—Session II
- 12:00—2 pm—Lunch (included with registration) and 4th and 5th step with sponsor or sharing partner
- 2:00—3:00 pm—Session III
- 3:15—4:45 pm—Session IV
- 4:45—5:00 pm—Twelfth Step Challenge & Distribution of Sobriety Cards
- Close

### **A HISTORY OF AA, including a Tribute to Anne Smith, the Mother of Alcoholics Anonymous Friday, September 29, 7:00 p.m.**

Learn about AA's miraculous journey — compiled after many years of research, hundreds of interviews with 12-Step pioneers and old-timers, and numerous archival presentations throughout the world. Wally P. will discuss:

- AA's Ancestors
- AA's Four Founding Moments
- How the Big Book was written
- Unsung Heroes, with a special tribute to **Anne Smith, wife of Dr. Bob Smith and the Mother of Alcoholics Anonymous**

### **11th STEP GUIDANCE MEETING Sunday, October 1, 2:00 p.m.**

*Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.*

The Oxford Group was the genesis for AA and much of our literature is based directly on Oxford Group teachings. Members sought God's direct guidance for concerns and shared openly with one another for confession and for witness.

Join us as Wally P., the author of *How to Listen to God*, shows us how to develop, enrich and enhance our practice of two-way prayer — just as the early AA pioneers did. See how we put the happy, joyous & free into our sober lives.

## REGISTRATION FORM

Sign up for:	Day & Time	Price
<input type="checkbox"/> A History of AA & Tribute to Anne Smith	Friday, 7 pm	No charge
<input type="checkbox"/> SPONSORSHIP WORKSHOP (lunch & Workshop materials included)	Saturday, 8:30 am—5 pm	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Eleventh Step Guidance Meeting	Sunday, 2 pm	No charge
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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Group & Sobriety Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete this form.** If you are attending the Saturday Sponsorship Workshop, include a check or money order for \$20 per person. Checks should be made payable to Sober is Great and mailed to Sober is Great, %Peachtree Presbyterian Church, 3434 Roswell Road NW, Atlanta, GA 30305. You can also register online at [www.soberisgreat.com](http://www.soberisgreat.com) and pay using a credit card.

**Scholarships are available for Saturday's Sponsorship Workshop.** Please contact Gary H. @ 404-379-3245 or Judi H. @ 404-379-3427 for information on how to apply.

**Directions to Soberfest 2006:**  
The Peachtree Presbyterian Church is located in Buckhead at 3434 Roswell Rd NW, about 5 miles south of I-285. The church is ¼ mile south of the Piedmont Road - Roswell Road intersection, and ½ mile north of the West Paces Ferry Road - Peachtree Road intersection. MARTA bus No. 38 stops at the church.