

April 27, 2017 Update from Chris & Marti

Celebrating Finished Projects

Will you celebrate with me? I've been working alongside the Pioneers Communications Team for months on content for the Explore Ring, a [series of 17 panels](#) that will grace the lobby of our new building and help tell the Pioneers story. Text and graphics will be enhanced by artifacts and some cool, interactive media about world missions. The design work, though? Done!

And that's not all:

- Pioneers is wrapping up a media campaign about reaching the world next door. I wrote six of the articles. <https://www.pioneers.org/nextdoor>
- Spring Perspectives courses are coming to a close; I taught for six classes in North Carolina and Michigan.
- Church Partnerships Facilitators are using a new workshop to help local churches think deeply about global outreach; I helped develop the materials.
- Monday it's off to Orlando to help facilitate a Church Partner Forum, after which those are done until fall, too.

Next, I need to buckle down and finish copyedits on *When Everything Is Missions*, a provocative book two of my colleagues

have written about the unintended consequences of fuzzy thinking about the global mission of the church. We hope to go to print in June. Will you pray for this project? It's right up my alley in some ways but stretching me, too (in other words, my favorite kind of project).

Prayer Points

- Thank God for the completion of recent projects; may they bear fruit in months to come.
- Lift up the May 2-4 Church Partner Forum and the Partnerships Facilitators as they continue to come alongside local churches.
- Pray for Marti as she edits *When Everything Is Missions*.
- Intercede for Chris, who continues to serve with the State Fire Academy (though his position is still unfunded!) We really need breakthrough on this. Lord, make a way.

**Grateful for your
friendship and support,
Marti Wade**

Looking for a good read? A friend gave me *A Great Work: A Conversation with Nehemiah for People (Who Want to Be) Doing Great Works* by Jon Swanson. Best thing I've read this year. Here's a taste of it:

<https://300wordsaday.com/2015/11/20/you-are-doing-a-great-work/>