

Spiritual Enrichment

- Daily Devotions – *Encounter with God* and *A Guide To Prayer for All Who Seek God*
-this turned out to be the most meaningful spiritual pursuit – unhurried time to read, reflect, and pray
- Renovare* Conference on Spiritual Formation in San Antonio, TX
-Dallas Willard, Eugene Peterson, Richard Foster, John Ortberg, Todd Hunter
- Retreat Days at Great Brook Park in Carlisle
-just me and my Bible, journal, and hymnal

Books Read

- The Multi-Site Church: Guidance for the Movement’s Next Generation, Steve McConnell
-practical guide and survey of effective multi-site churches
- How The Mighty Fall, Jim Collins
-warning and wisdom for successful organizations
- Christianity Beyond Belief: Following Jesus for the Sake of Others, Todd Hunter
-a fresh look at how to live and share the gospel in a post-Christian world
- Washington’s Crossing, David Hackett Fischer
-a history and analysis of the winter campaign of 1776/77; great leadership insights
- The Hole in Our Gospel, Richard Stearns
-honest and compelling testimony and challenge from the President of World Vision
- Making Things Stick: Why Some Ideas Survive, and Others Die, Dan and Chip Heath
-research and guidance for communicating big ideas; 2009 Summit speakers
- The Outward-Focused Life: Becoming a Servant in a Serve-Me World, Dave Workman
-how one church has learned to make a difference, simply by doing good

Also interviewed several local community leaders and thinkers on matters of faith, church, evangelicals, and the challenges of life and ministry in greater Boston.

Churches Visited

- HighRock Church, Arlington
-compelling vision for serving their local community; multi-cultural
- Free Christian Church, Andover
-launching a new campus in Sept
- GracePoint Community Church, Andover
-our own church launch – doing great!
- Grace Fellowship Church, Albany, NY
-successfully launched a new campus recently
- Union Baptist Church, Durham, NC
-African-American church my sister and family attends
- Manchester Christian Church, NH
-welcoming church; wonderful use of space and creative environments

First Congregational Church, Hopkinton

-large, growing evangelical mainline church

Genesis, Winchester

-next generation start-up church being launched by Hope Church

Fun Stuff

Bike Trip from Boston to Provincetown with a couple of friends

Hiked Mt. Ascutney, VT with Karen

1st Annual *BryanMan* Triathlon – 1 mile swim at Walden Pond, 17 mile bike through
Concord/Carlisle, 4 mile off-road run in Bedford (1st place!)

Tanglewood Mozart Festival

Long 4th of July weekend with our kids and two fiancées; Isom(Kelly) and Ellen(Brendan)

A whole week in Vermont with Karen

Nostalgia Tour to Long Island to visit with staff and friends from our former church

Wilkerson extended-family gathering in North Carolina