

Justin Skeesuck and Patrick Gray

I'll Push You – 500 Miles, Two Best Friends, and One Wheelchair

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Topics

- Adventure
- Courage / Heroism
- Faith / Spirituality
- Goal Setting
- Inspiration / Achievement
- Overcoming Adversity

About Justin Skeesuck and Patrick Gray

Unlike Anything You've Seen Or Heard!

Justin Skeesuck and Patrick Gray are life-long friends with a hunger for adventure. Despite a debilitating disease taking away most of Justin's ability to move, the two live without reservation.

Their incredible wheelchair journey, known as *I'll Push You*, is a testament to this.

They tackled the impossible – a **500-mile pilgrimage on the Camino de Santiago through Spain** – Patrick pushing Justin in a wheelchair. While Patrick, and others, physically pushed Justin the distance, Justin pushed Patrick, mentally and emotionally, beyond fear and insecurity, into a whole new world of joy and freedom. And now, they work with businesses and organizations around the globe, equipping them with the tools to do the same.

Using powerful and often hilarious storytelling, the two use their unique insights to help individuals and teams discover their full potential.

Justin and Patrick customize content for each client, but common themes include:

- **Leadership**
- **Teamwork**
- **Overcoming Challenges**
- **Service**
- **Inclusion Mindset**

This incredible duo helps each organization they work with realize it's full potential. And, Justin and Patrick's ability to do both live and virtual events means they offer:

- **Live Keynotes**
- **Live Workshops**
- **Virtual Keynotes**
- **Virtual Workshops**
- **Virtual Team Coaching Sessions**

While Justin and Patrick's story has been described as "inspirational" or "motivational," they believe inspiration and motivation aren't enough. Overcoming life's challenges requires acknowledging our weaknesses, inviting others into our story, and embracing the fact that we cannot do it all on our own.

Through their speaking, writing, and training, Justin and Patrick help others overcome limitations in work, relationships, and life by embracing vulnerability and turning to the power within a community of friends, family, and co-workers.

Regardless of the topic, audiences and conference attendees continually leave inspired and challenged to do more as individuals and teams. It's impossible to see Justin and Patrick speak and not be motivated to do more with what you have been given.

Select Keynotes



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- **Imprints: The Evidence Our Lives Leave Behind**

Following their bestselling memoir, *I'll Push You*, Justin and Patrick wrote *Imprints: The Evidence Our Lives Leave Behind* – a collection of narrative essays illustrating the power each person has to change someone else's life.

Powerful change is often influenced by the little things we do each day. Each story in *Imprints* shows how our choices can profoundly impact the future of others.

Using these stories as a foundation, Justin and Patrick open audience members' eyes to the potential we all possess. Their storytelling invites conference attendees into a conversation about purpose and challenges everyone to evaluate their roles and responsibilities as team members, leaders, parents, partners, and friends.

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- ◊ Servant Leadership
- ◊ Compassion
- ◊ Living with Purpose

- **Offerings**

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- ◊ Live and Virtual Keynotes
- ◊ Live and Virtual Workshops
- ◊ Live and Virtual Team Coaching Sessions
- ◊ Live and Virtual Q&As
- ◊ Film Screenings and Live or Virtual Q&As

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Select Book Titles

- **2019:** Imprints: The Evidence Our Lives Leave Behind
- **2018:** The Push: A Story of Friendship (Children's book)
- **2017:** I'll Push You: A Journey of 500 Miles, Two Best Friends, and One Wheelchair

Select Testimonials

"If you're looking for an inspirational message about friendship, commitment, overcoming challenges, or the power of community, then I urge you to hire Justin and Patrick for your next speaking event! They will deliver, your attendees will be inspired, and you will look like a genius for deciding to share with your company, members, or conference attendees a life-changing adventure."

– *Ben Quintana, SPHR Director, Organizational Effectiveness at St. Luke's Health System, Idaho*

We had Justin and Patrick share their I'll Push You story at our Global Sales Meeting in January of 2018. Justin and Patrick's story is one of compassion, humility and patience. Our team was completely captivated during their talk. In a room of nearly 900 people, you could hear a pin drop. Their relationship is one I admire and think back on often. One of the key takeaways that my colleagues and I still reference that Justin relayed was that ah ha moment when he realized that "When you deny someone the opportunity to help you, you deny them the joy in life!"

– *Jane, Sr. Event Manager, Illumina*

Working with Justin and Patrick is an experience of a lifetime – one never to be missed! Their inspirational story of friendship and teamwork transformed the lives of everyone in the room. From the moment I met them during our pre-conference interview, to their book signing at the conclusion of our event, they were the embodiment of what it means to be a gift to others. Their insight into the power of the human spirit and their true love of each other is infectious. On top of everything, they are two extremely kind, goodhearted, inquisitive and very humorous men – absolutely unforgettable! I don't know how anyone who has the opportunity to experience their presence, doesn't leave them wanting to be a better human in the world.

– *Janice Ginley Vice President, Claims & Patient Safety Medical Insurance Exchange of California*

We loved Justin and Patrick as speakers for Nazarene Youth Conference 2019. The guys were incredible to work with leading up to, during, and after the event -- authentic, funny, and passionate. Their story and presence (both live and digital) captivated our conference attendees, challenging students and leaders with the message "to love God is to love others" in a profound way, and culminated in a standing ovation response from the audience of 9000. I highly recommend Justin and Patrick as a unique and heartfelt speaker duo whose lives match their message.

– *Justin Pickard, Regional Youth Coordinator Nazarene Youth International*