

A heart for service helps renew faith!



Seven years into the sport of autocross the excitement wore off (1998-2005). Earning trophies, [Championships](#), and the [recognition](#) of competitors and [sponsors](#)... not even the adrenaline rush satisfied that itch deep within my soul. The secular fellowship and community service rewards from four to five years promoting the Club/sport, and developing/delivering [high performance driver education programs](#) (“give-back”) helped, but there was still emptiness.



Then, the Summer of 2005, God put me on a collision course with [a precious little 4 year old boy](#) when he began his fight of a horrid disease, [Neuroblastoma](#). He touched my life in a way others had not, softening my hard heart. It was the kind of life event that causes you to stop and ask yourself: “Why am I here?”

I had accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior at the age of 8, but by the time I reached my mid-teens I had completely turned from Him and His teachings; focusing exclusively on my own selfish desires for nearly 40 years.

Completing a campaign with the San Jose Stealth (San Jose Festival of SPEED) in early 2008 to bring

funds and awareness to childhood cancer, the “livery” on the race car changed significantly, but the focus remained the same: “Partner and



Philanthropic Promotions in the context of Community Service and High Performance Driving/Education.” In simple English, we continued what we began in 2005, racing to bring attention, compassion and donations together for those in need.



About the same time, the Lord put several Christian men, with a passion for motorsports, in my path. Then in [2009](#), through a [race](#) teammate, He introduced me to a church with a men’s ministry and an [annual car show](#) outreach program. From a small Team Racers for Christ sticker in late 2008, transitioning our path closer to a walk with Jesus in 2009.

O Lord, may the way I serve tell Your story!
I want to bring You all the glory in my work,
at home, and everywhere I go. Fill me and use
me to bless others and honor You today.
God honors faith because faith honors God.



And by 2010 we were totally immersed, flying “[colors for the Kingdom!](#)” ([more on page 3, 2010 Team RFC Update](#)), followed in 2011 with as much Christian motorsports [messaging](#) as we could pack in.



And we see God's hand as we work to give Him the glory. From unexpected race results (our championship was on second-hand race tires, and sporting an I Am Second bumper sticker ☺), to re-kindled relationships; it all began with a softened heart, brotherly love and a little Team RFC fish.



Above, coming off a [2012 class championship](#), racing for: [RamblerRaffle.com/Rimz & Ribz/Team COOPER Racing/Team RFC/CRA/IAMSecond.com](#) (He is first)/[4d-SPORT.com](#). Below, July 13, 2013, the daily driven autocross car featuring [I Am Second](#) (with over 1,100 Facebook Likes), here: anchoring the annual car show with Big Foot at [Cornerstone Fellowship - Livermore](#), <http://www.rimzandribz.com/>

