HELP WITH SPEAKING EVENT CONTACTS

Thanks for your interest in helping us arrange speaking events along the route of **<u>Rich's Ride</u>**.

One of the main goals of this project is to share our message that HOPE changes what's possible. We'd like to share this message with as many folks as possible. Your connections will help make that happen.

We'd like to schedule events in **churches**, **schools**, **and community groups**. Most appearances will likely be part of regularly-scheduled occasions such as church services or club meetings, while a few might be specially-organized events.

You can help us most by making a personal connection with someone you know in a community along <u>the route</u>. These kinds of groups receive proposals from a variety of presenters. By personally recommending Rich as a speaker you'll reassure pastors, program chairs, and event organizers that they're getting a high-quality message and an engaging, inspirational presentation.

Here's what we'd like you to do:

- 1. Think of someone you know personally in a community along <u>the route</u> who may be able to help with arranging an appearance.
- Contact that person. Explain <u>Rich's Ride</u> and ask if they would be willing to discuss a possible event.
- 3. If the answer's "Yes" please send me (<u>rich@richdixon.net</u>) contact information. Include as much detail as possible: Name, how you're connected, type of group, and anything else that will help me understand how I can serve. I will make a contact and try to arrange a presentation that meets the group's needs.
- 4. Repeat steps 1-3 as many times as you wish.

Thank you again for your involvement in <u>Rich's Ride</u>. You're demonstrating that we're all *Together On A Journey Of Hope*.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

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POSSIBLE TYPES OF EVENTS

FAITH-BASED AUDIENCES

Church Services

Our goal is to enhance worship. We'll do whatever works for a particular church's culture. A couple of possibilities are:

- A brief (3-5 minute) "spotlight" featuring either a video or verbal presentation
- A longer "dialogue sermon" between pastor and Rich focused on grace and hope

Either could be followed by informal meet/discuss time after service

Other Church Settings

Rich has spoken to adult classes, Bible studies, and discussion groups, as well as Christian school and student groups. He's also been a featured speaker at weekday evening gatherings and special one-time events.

Group Book Study

How about having a group at your church read Rich's inspirational book <u>Relentless Grace</u> prior to his appearance, then spending some time with Rich and Becky discussing the story? They would see that <u>Rich's Ride</u> is really the next step on the journey, a continual unfolding of a God-sized dream.

GENERAL AUDIENCES

Community Service Groups

Rich has spoken at a variety of community gatherings including Rotary, Optimists, Sertoma, and Lions. His personal story and the message of <u>Rich's Ride</u> resonates with these folks and always leaves them encouraged and inspired.

Schools

Rich is a teacher at heart, and he's probably most at home with a group of kids. He'll make them laugh and challenge them to dream big dreams.

Students are fascinated by the hand cycle and they'll be amazed and inspired by the story of **<u>Rich's Ride</u>**.

Special Events

If you're inspired by <u>Rich's Ride</u>, perhaps you'd like to organize a special event when the ride passes through your town.

Be creative! You provide the audience and the venue; we'll provide the encouraging message.