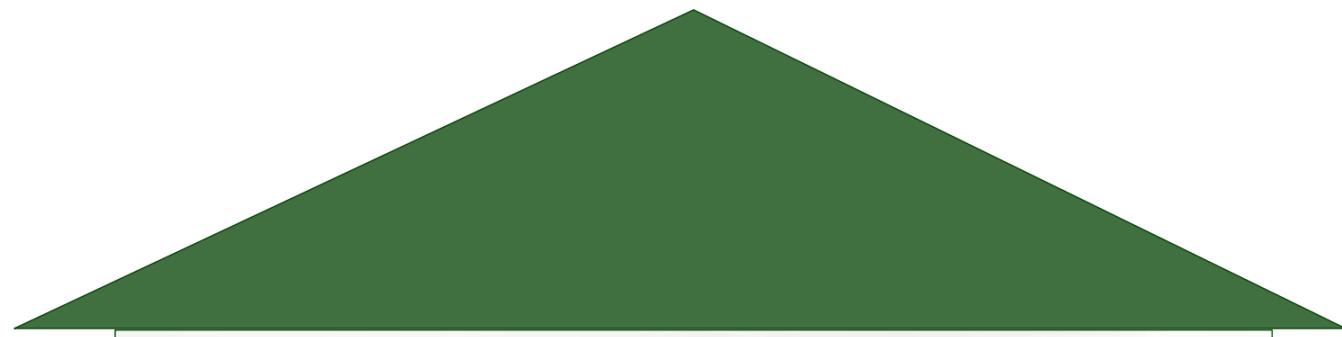




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Wait!
Is that me?

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There are multiple aspects of my life that have been changing over the past 5 years. If I were to break it down into categories there would be one for job, home, family, hobbies, and education.

I will start off with my job that ended a couple years ago. I was in a job with a select few descent people. All the rest could care less about actually doing their job or actually being nice to other employees. The managers were corrupt. They were bad at doing their jobs, showed favoritism when promoting, didn't give any recognition where recognition was due, and basically just talked about their weekends over half of the time instead of actually doing work. I was probably one of the top 5 as far as my performance, how many tasks I did, the amount of knowledge I had of all the processes of the company, the level of respect shown to other employees, and the importance of my tasks rating higher than what other employees did. Most likely if you wanted to know something, I would be the person to ask. Yet, I was just a normal employee not higher than any of the newest and there were tons higher which made no sense. I make a macro that saved the company millions of dollars yet I got no recognition for it at all. I ended up being laid off when the company closed down its branch cause everything was outsourced due



to poor management. Basically a manager lied about an outsource group making a low % of errors on their work to make herself look good as a manager. The outsource group had a high % of errors. I know this cause I had to deal with it every day. Due to the fact that this manager lied to the highest up in the company to make herself look good, they closed down the office cause they felt all the work could be outsourced with no errors. I have basically been out of a job since that happened a couple years ago. Also when they told me I was laid off it was at the exact time of my birthday. Yes they did know it was my birthday they told me they knew that it was.

Me being laid off from that job leads to everything else that is going on in my life for the past 5 years. A little before I was laid off I bought a house with my brother. I had money saved up and we decided it was time to buy a house instead of wasting money on rent every month. We moved into the house after I was laid off. With all my free time I have been cleaning up the house every day and organizing it. I made a garden in the back. I mow the lawn and get rid of weeds whenever it is needed. We then started having family gatherings at the new house. This is very important since almost everyone in my family had a rough childhood. One of my sisters wants

nothing to do with the family and one of my brothers is starting to show the same signs. The sister that does come had a girl a couple years ago, so I have also been trying to be a good uncle and brother to her. The other sister basically ignores this sister and she is in an abusive relationship. So this is very important to have family gatherings to strengthen relationships within the family as well as to help others out. My brother or I tend to cook or bake. Usually I do it since I have more time. I am also a very good cook and baker and all the free time as allowed me to fine-tune recipes as wells as to create my own. We talk about what is going on in our lives. Then we might watch some movie or play some board game together. Another thing I have been doing with my free time is playing some games and working out. The main games I play right now are the newest transformer game, league of legends, and Diablo 3. I play the transformers game with my youngest brother online. We are the best at the game and I am officially ranked #1 in the world at that game. The other main thing I do is workout. I try to keep myself in good shape by having the discipline to do what is needed. I go to the gym solo and I usually go at night. I push myself to the limit and always



reach new records for myself. While I am working out I re-rack all the weights in the gym. This is easy since downtime is needed between sets. This last April I have started going back to school. I have a ridiculous amount of free time and it is hard to get a job. This led me to the decision that I should go back to school to get an associate degree in web development. I have been staying up late reading each chapter for each class at a minimum of 3 times each. I go through notes all the time to make sure I fully understand everything. This is very important to me. Ever since 2nd grade I have been into computers and have been programming. I have had a talent in art and made Christmas cards since the same time. Web development has both of those aspects together. There was also a time when I was really into making web pages that were really cool to interact with. It has been a while since I did that though. I keep trying to find the files for the sites but it is hard since the servers closed down or the files are on old computers that I have to find. I could go on for a while about all of the above, but I hope that gives you an idea of my life over the past 5 years.