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Newsletter

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Coordinator's Report

We began the year by moving into our new location, 414 Raleigh Road, the old Coca-Cola building.

All the volunteers have worked hard this year to restore and improve the facility for the work that we do. This will be an ongoing project for a long time. Still, we have been able to build wheelchair ramps and handle all the other activities.

We finished projects that several church youth groups started April 1 during D-Now weekend.

Approximately 145 youth and leaders participated June 17-24 in the SOS week. Teams from local churches, as well as Alabama and South Carolina, built 12 wheelchair ramps and put new roofs on nine houses. These young folks shared the gospel with many people that week.

Both spring and fall fundraisers were again successful. These events are always well supported by the community and are a good time for fellowship.



Our men and boys weekend Oct. 21-22 included a worship service on Friday night and projects on Saturday.

Outreach by churches and local groups will get an assist when we complete work on a trailer with lots of games. A small kitchen trailer with a stove, griddle, and snow cone, popcorn and cotton candy machines is already available. Churches can call and reserve the kitchen now, and we hope to have the game trailer ready for reservations by the spring.



Please stop by and see what is happening here and how God has blessed us.

*In His Service,
Randolph*

Alabama Team

Three wheelchair ramps were built Oct. 22-27 when a team of six from Jasper First Baptist Church in Jasper, Ala., visited RHI. We were able to sleep them upstairs at our new location in the old Coca-Cola building. We have two showers in the basement.

We provided lunch and supper. Ann Cannon prepared and delivered the lunches and delivered them to work sites each day. While they worked, the team shared the gospel with homeowners and neighbors.

We appreciate their coming to minister in our community and look forward to having them again, as well as other teams.

How to Bring a Group to RHI

RHI has a number of volunteer opportunities throughout the year and will work with you or your group (youth or adult) to not only meet the needs of homeowners, but also to meet the needs of your group in its effort to put its faith into action serving others.

We provide job locations and materials for hands-on experience and will arrange for one-day projects or projects for more than one day. Overnight accommodations can be arranged. E-mail us at rwilson@rebuildinghopeinc.org or call 252-438-5132 for more information or registration.

Servants on Site

Youth Summer Mission Opportunity

The week of June 23-30, 2018, RHI will coordinate and host its sixth annual week-long youth mission project, Servants on Site (SOS).

SOS – a week of work, worship and witness in Vance County and surrounding areas – is a mission opportunity for youth who have completed sixth grade and for adults of all ages. Participants are housed at Crossroads Christian School and will work on homes in the area during the day, meet for worship in the evening and have devotion time with their own church groups. We have 200 openings at a cost of \$150 each. For every five youths, we require one adult of the same sex.

Needs for SOS

Volunteers – Adult/college-age volunteers are needed to serve as staff during the week. Staff assists with setting up the rooms, posting signs and schedules and for chores such as cleaning bath and restroom facilities.

Financial Support for SOS Projects

A roofing project costs approximately \$2,000, but any amount is appreciated. A church sponsoring a project will “adopt” the crew for the week and serve lunch each day. Your crew will attend your church for worship and lunch on Sunday and meet your congregation. Afterwards, the crew will visit the homeowner. Churches may also partner to sponsor a project.

SOS Participants

Encourage your youth to participate in this mission endeavor. If you know of any churches or youth you feel would be interested, call our office with contact information.

Visit Our Website

Visit www.rebuildinghopeinc.org for more information on how to register, or call 252-438-5132 or e-mail rwilson@rebuildinghopeinc.org.

Equipment Available for Check-out

RHI has equipment that churches and groups may check out for use in their projects.

Mobile kitchen – Stove, griddle, snow cone, cotton candy and popcorn machines.

2 tool trailers – Equipped with all tools needed to build a wheelchair ramp.

Coming next spring – Game trailer with all kinds of games to use for outreach.

Volunteer Spotlight

Construction leader Vann Wester began his association with Rebuilding Hope about five years ago.

“Originally, I helped with a DNow Weekend,” he said. “But I discovered there were more ministry opportunities than just meeting physical and material needs.”

Vann had been a crew leader on several projects. When the previous construction leader left to attend seminary, Vann stepped into the leadership role.

Throughout the year, he said he meets with homeowners to discuss how RHI can meet their needs, but “most of all taking the opportunity to share the gospel and pray with them.”

Vann, a retired building inspector, identifies the jobs, arranges for building materials and organizes teams to do the work.

A member of New Sandy Creek Baptist Church, where he is chairman of deacons and a Sunday school teacher, Vann is also a member of the Christian Motorcyclist Association.

He and his wife Jill have been married for 43 years. They have a son and daughter and three granddaughters.



Tentative 2018 Calendar

January

1 - New Year's Day – Closed

February

1 - SOS Early Bird Special Deadline

SOS is our summer event. Local and out-of-town groups of youth who have completed sixth grade, along with their adult group leaders, are housed at Crossroads Christian School. Crews are formed and go out Monday-Friday to do hands-on ministry for a local homeowner. Breakfast, supper and worship are at Central Baptist Church. With registration and a \$50 deposit by Feb. 1, the cost per participant is \$125. After Feb. 1, the cost is \$150.

March

DNow Weekend Workday – TBA
25 - Palm Sunday
30 - Good Friday – RHI Closed

April

1 - Easter
27 - Spring Fundraiser, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

May

1 - SOS Registration Deadline
Registration with deposit Feb. 1-May 1 is \$150 per participant.
13 - Mother's Day
28 - Memorial Day – RHI Closed

June

17- Father's Day
23-30 - SOS

July

4 - RHI Closed for Independence Day

August

6-8 - Kids' Construction Camp – 9 a.m.-noon
KCC gives second-sixth graders hands-on experiences with basic construction skills as they rotate through stations such as Hammer & Nails, Electrical & Plumbing, Block Laying and Building a Birdhouse.

September

3 - Labor Day – RHI Closed
28 - Fall Fundraiser – 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

October

19-20 - 8th Annual Men's Ministry Weekend
On Friday evening of our Men's Ministry Weekend, men and boys will gather for a meal, at no cost, and a worship service at a local church. On Saturday morning they will gather at Rebuilding Hope to make up teams and receive assignments for hands-on projects in our communities.

November

21 - RHI Closed at noon
22 - Thanksgiving – RHI Closed

23 - RHI Closed

December

24 - Christmas Eve – RHI Closed
25 - Christmas Day – RHI Closed
26 - RHI Closed

Weekly Men's Prayer Group

You're invited to our weekly men's prayer group on Thursday mornings at 7 o'clock. A light breakfast is served. A full breakfast is served on the first Thursday. Join us for a time of prayer and Christian fellowship.

Our Ongoing Needs

Prayer, Volunteers, Building Materials, Donations, Monthly Financial Support

Appreciation

Thanks to all the churches, businesses and individuals who have supported and continue to support the Rebuilding Hope ministry. Without your support, meeting the needs of our communities would be impossible. Continue to pray for us as we endeavor to reach our communities with the gospel.