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## Newsletter

September 2018

### Barbecue Chicken Dinner Fundraiser

*Friday, Sept. 28 – 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.*

*414 Raleigh Road – Tickets \$7*

It's fall fundraiser time again, and volunteers are preparing to serve up the best barbecue chicken around.

Purchase your tickets at our office or from one of our many volunteers.

### Rebuilding Hope's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Men & Boys Ministry Weekend

This year's ministry weekend is Oct. 19-20. On Friday evening, men and boys will gather at Rebuilding Hope for a meal at 6 p.m. for which there is no cost.

A worship service will follow the meal. The speaker will be Joel Beckham, pastor of New Life Baptist Church, Henderson.

On Saturday morning, the men and boys will gather at Rebuilding Hope to make up teams and receive assignments for hands-on projects in our communities.



**Pastor  
Beckham**

Men are encouraged to bring their sons and grandsons and their friends, as well as their neighbors.

The deadline for reservations is Monday, Oct. 15.

### Kids' Construction Camp A Picture Perfect Look Back



An important feature of Kids' Construction Camp is the midmorning break for snacks. Anne Cannon (right), assisted by Maria McClanahan, served up cookies, crackers, fruit and lemonade for the eighth annual camp Aug. 6-8. For a picture perfect look back at this year's camp, see the last two pages of this newsletter.

### AmazonSmile Purchases Benefit Rebuilding Hope

Your Amazon purchases can now benefit Rebuilding Hope.

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices and shopping features as Amazon.com.

The difference is that when you shop AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com)), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate a half-percent of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice.

Every item available for purchase on amazon.com is also available on AmazonSmile at the same price. Eligible products are marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages.

When you're shopping online at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com), Rebuilding Hope will benefit from a donation from the AmazonSmile Foundation – and you're helping us help our communities.

### **Rebuilding Hope Partnering With the Triangle Literacy Council**

Rebuilding Hope is partnering with the Triangle Literacy Council (TLC) in a first-of-its-kind pilot program to help young men and women in Vance County earn a GED.

The program, Constructing Pathways to Prosperity (P2P), is part of the GED curriculum. Students earn the equivalency diploma while getting hands-on job skills training in the construction industry, according to program manager Jason Williams.

In its role, RHI will provide students with opportunities to build wheelchair ramps and complete other projects, provide tools and materials and supervise the completion of jobs.

"This is a six-month, full-time program with 15 participants at a time," Mr. Williams says. "It runs four days a week with two days dedicated to the education component and two days spent on the construction site."

P2P is designed for "ages 16-24 to help rebuild their communities and their lives," according to program information. "This program will work specifically with youth who have come to the attention of the justice system, are low-income, or have not attained a high school diploma or equivalency and are not currently attending public school."

The P2P instructor for the component, which meets Wednesdays and Fridays, is a licensed contractor.

Upon completion of the program, students earn a construction certificate, Mr. Williams says, and receive assistance in finding a job.

Students meet Tuesdays and Thursdays for the education component. Classes are conducted at the Gang Free building on County Home Road.

Students in the GED program are paid \$50 a week and an additional \$10 an hour when they're on a P2P job, he says.

Mr. Williams says that funding comes from a \$300,000 U.S. Department of Commerce grant won by the Kerr-Tar Regional Council of Governments and runs through June 2019.

### **RHI Volunteer Spotlight**

Jeffrey Strickland is a relative newcomer to the volunteer ranks at Rebuilding Hope. A resident of the Inez community in Warren County, he began lending a helping hand at RHI in May.



**Jeffrey**

Jeffrey, a graduate of Dillard Road Academy, says he learned about the opportunity at RHI through one of his mother's coworkers. The coworker is also a volunteer.

Jeffrey, like most RHI volunteers, helps with the annual Servants on Site and pitches in at the warehouse wherever he's needed.

"Ministry work is a good thing to do," he says of his decision to volunteer. "Helping communities around the area is rewarding."

Jeffrey's hobbies and leisure time activities include woodworking, hunting and fishing, or, he says, "anything outdoors."

A member of Centerville Baptist Church, he serves in the worship services by running the sound board.

Jeffrey is the son of Greg and Donna Smith and David Strickland. He has a sister, Makayla.

### **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](mailto:rwilson@rebuildinghopeinc.org) or call 252-438-5132 for more information or registration.

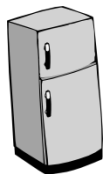
## **RHI – Here to Help**

To request help to build a wheelchair ramp or to make home repairs, visit our office where a volunteer will take your application. RHI does not take applications over the phone or make monetary awards.

Depending on the type of work requested, RHI may require evidence of ownership of property. A landlord's permission for a wheelchair ramp is required.

While RHI provides services at no cost, donations from applicants are appreciated.

## **Appliances Accepted**



RHI accepts some used appliances that are in good working order. The appliances include washers and dryers, refrigerators and electric stoves. Appliances that require repairs cannot be accepted.

RHI does not have used furniture and cannot accept household goods or clothing.



## **Building Wheelchair Ramps: Answers to Your Questions**

Churches, do you have groups – like the one pictured above -- who can lend a hand and help us build wheelchair ramps? Your participation would help reduce a backlog of more than 30 requests – and help us all reach our communities for Christ.

Here are answers to some questions you might have.

***What preparations are made before work begins?*** Before work begins, an RHI volunteer will visit the job site and assess the owner's physical and spiritual needs. The volunteer will take measurements and draw a plan. Job sites are different and custom plans are necessary.

***What about materials and tools?*** RHI will gather the materials and deliver them to the job site and provide tools, as needed.

***Are building permits required?*** RHI will obtain the required permits.

***Who will supervise and be responsible for the work?*** An experienced RHI crew leader.

***How long does building a ramp take?*** Depending on the ramp (e.g., straight ramp or ramp with a landing) and the number of crew members, it's a day to a day-and-a-half job.

***Where are job sites located?*** In all the communities we serve, but every effort will be made to assign work in the vicinity of your church.

***Can work be scheduled on Saturdays?***  
Yes.

***For more information?*** Call the RHI office at 252-438-5132.

If you can help, we'll put you in touch with Bill Overby of Enterprise Baptist Church, our team leader in Warren County. Or Steve Timberlake of Oxford Baptist Church, our team leader in Granville County. Or, in Vance County, Steve Lyles of Raleigh Road Baptist Church, Vann Wester of New Sandy Creek Baptist Church, or Cliff McClanahan of Central Baptist Church.

## **Areas Where You Can Serve at RHI**

AC/Heating   Accounting  
Carpentry/Framing & Finishing  
Carpet/Vinyl Installation  
Cleaning   Computer   Cooking  
Doors   Drafting   Drywall  
Electrical   Evangelism   Internet  
Office   Organization  
Painting   Plumbing   Ramps  
Reception   Roofing   Siding  
Secretarial   Telephone   Windows  
Welding/Sheet Metal   Writing



### **VBS Donation Benefits Rebuilding Hope**

The Vacation Bible School at Central Baptist Church has donated \$502.34 to Rebuilding Hope. The donation was collected during the July 23-27 school. Pictured are RHI coordinator Randolph Wilson, VBS director Laura Morgan and students Payton and Paige Hillyer.

### **Equipment Available for Check-out**

RHI has equipment – like the game trailer pictured below -- that churches and groups may check out for use in their projects. Call the office at 252-438-5132 or Randolph's cell at 252-425-5593. The following equipment is available:

Game trailer – Outfitted with all kinds of



games to use for outreach.

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

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

### **Tentative 2018 Calendar**

#### **September**

3 - Labor Day – RHI Closed

28 - Fall Fundraiser – 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

#### **October**

19-20 - 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Men & Boys 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 Rebuilding Hope. 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

22 - Thanksgiving – RHI Closed

23 - RHI Closed

#### **December**

24-28 – RHI Closed

31 – New Year's Eve – RHI Closed

### **Weekly Men's Prayer Group**

*As iron sharpens iron,  
so one man sharpens another.*

*Proverbs 27:17 (NIV)*

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.

### **4,000 Pencils to Give Away**

If you need pencils for your classes or projects, give us a call.

The pencils, which are not sharpened, were donated to RHI. Printed on them are the names of various businesses and organizations that ordered too many.



## Kids' Construction Camp 2018: Our Ministry to Our Kids

Teams of youngsters and adult volunteers enjoyed the three days of our Kids' Construction Camp. The 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders worked at the six stations pictured below. At the end of the Aug. 6-8 camp, team leaders presented campers with certificates of completion. That ceremony is pictured on the next page.



Steve Cannon led campers at the Bible study station, asking, "What type of reputation are you building?"



Bob "Plumbob" Demarco explains how to unclog the kitchen drain.



Cliff McClanahan instructs campers in electrical repairs.



Vann Wester shows campers how to repair a roof.



J.H. Hamm, Dave Burns and Woody Woodland teach campers nail gun safety.



Ed Blue and Richard Rogers help a camper build a stool, this year's take-home project.



**Donnie Wade presents certificates to his crew.**



**Dave Burns congratulates his crew.**



**Mike Jackson's team members receive certificates.**



**Richard Rogers and his crew with certificates.**



**Bill Paine congratulates his crew.**



**Billy Ayscue presents certificates to his crew.**