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Newsletter

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Weekly Men's Prayer Group Invites You to Join

*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 this time of prayer and Christian fellowship.

Men, like those pictured above at a recent breakfast, pray aloud or silently. Men are invited to request prayer for family, friends and themselves; and to pray for their communities, their country and its leaders, their churches and their leaders.

SOS Theme "I.D. Identity Defined"; May 1 Is Registration Deadline

While the deadline for registering for this summer's SOS is May 1, over half of the 200 openings for participants have been filled.

RHI coordinator Randolph Wilson reports that 109 Early Bird registrations have been received for the June 22-29 event and that a theme for the Servants on Site week has been chosen.

This year's theme is "I.D. Identify Defined."

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

The cost is \$150 per participant. Youths must have completed sixth grade.

Keep in mind that for every five youths, we require one adult of the same sex.

Financial Support for SOS Projects

Churches provide financial support to purchase materials that a crew will need for the work project at their work site, and they provide lunches to the crew and homeowner during the week. Churches serve the crew and the homeowner, but they will tell you that they are also blessed by both.

Crew partners could number as many as 15 participants from as many as eight of our different registered groups. The crew, and often the homeowner, worship with their

REMINDER: Mark your calendars for our Spring Barbecue Chicken Fundraiser on Friday, April 26, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. at our office and warehouse at 414 Raleigh Road.

sponsoring church on Sunday morning and have lunch with them afterwards. This is the first time the crew members meet together as a crew. It is a great time for all the partners to begin knowing each other. Crews serve the homeowner and the church, and they will tell you they are blessed by both.

The homeowners are also both blessed and a blessing.

We expect the partnership of a sponsoring church, an SOS crew, and a homeowner to provide a rewarding experience for everyone. We have seen that the relationships that are built last beyond the week of SOS.

SOS will have worship services at Central Baptist Church at 7:30p.m. Sunday through Friday, June 23 – June 28, with the exception of Wednesday. We hope many will join us as often as possible.

RHI Volunteer Spotlight

The variety of backgrounds among RHI volunteers includes a retired teacher, David “Doc” Ayscue.

After 31 years of teaching high school health and physical education in Vance and Granville counties, Doc was invited by friend, fellow church member and RHI volunteer Steve Cannon to visit the ministry.



Doc

Doc, a Henderson native, says he was attracted to the ministry because it helps others, and the volunteers are “good Christian men to work with.”

Encouraging others to volunteer, Doc says, “There is no other way to get the feeling you get by helping someone.”

Doc, who also coached middle and high school baseball, basketball and football in Vance, recalls one special experience.

“We were fixing up a mobile home for someone, and I painted every room a different color,” he says. “I called it the Joseph house.”

At RHI, Doc, now a self-employed painter, runs the paint room, helps build ramps and replace roofs, does a bit of carpentry and is a runner during SOS.

“I try to work at least one day a week at RHI,” he says. “Seeing the expressions on homeowners’ faces and knowing I’ve been able to help someone” is rewarding.

Doc’s voice is familiar, too. He’s a WIZS sports commentator on Monday afternoons and broadcasts Friday night football games.

A member of New Sandy Creek Baptist Church, Doc is a deacon, a member of the choir and the building and grounds and counting committees.

Doc and Brenda have been married for 40 years. They have three children and a grandchild.

DNow Projects in Focus for RHI; Crew Chiefs Needed

RHI construction leader Vann Wester is busy identifying projects for youths who will take part in the DNow weekend March 29-30.

For the ninth consecutive year RHI will partner with local churches for the event. DNow (Disciple Now) brings together about 200 youths from area churches for worship and work, the latter provided by RHI.

“We’ll have eight to 10 projects” identified for the March 30 workday, Vann says.

Projects, he says, will include repairing wheelchair ramps, hand rails and steps and yard cleanup – projects that can be completed in a day. RHI provides materials and tools.

Crew chiefs are needed for the projects, beginning at 8 a.m. To volunteer,

call Vann at 919-495-3099.

Youths attend worship services Friday and Saturday nights at New Sandy Creek Baptist Church. Overnight accommodations are provided by host homes.

“Salt and Light” is the theme for this year’s weekend.

Guest speaker will be Daniel Ritchie, an author and speaker at churches and conferences. A graduate of the College at Southeastern and a former student pastor, he was born without arms. He resides in Huntersville with his wife and two children.

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 services are provided at no cost, donations from applicants are appreciated.

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.



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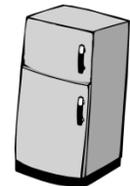
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Appliances Accepted

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

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 252-425-5132 or Randolph's cell at 252-425-5593. Available equipment:

Game trailer – Outfitted with all kinds of games to use in outreach.

Mobile kitchen – Snow cone, cotton candy and popcorn machines.

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

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If you know someone who would enjoy our newsletter, send the email address to us at info@rebuildinghopeinc.org.

Tentative 2019 Calendar

March

30 – **DNow**, RHI Workday

April

14 – Palm Sunday

19 – Good Friday – RHI Closed

21 – Easter Sunday

26 – **Spring Fundraiser**, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

May

1 – **SOS Registration Deadline**

Registration with deposit Feb. 1-May1 is \$150 per participant.

12 – Mother's Day

27 – Memorial Day – RHI Closed

June

16 – Father's Day

22-29 – **SOS 2019**

July

4 – RHI closed for Independence Day

August

5-7 – **Kids' Construction Camp**, 9 a.m.-Noon
KCC gives 2nd-6th 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

2 – Labor Day – RHI Closed

27 – **Fall Fundraiser**, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

October

11-12 – 9th Annual **Men's Ministry Weekend**

On Friday evening, men and boys will gather for a meal, at no cost, and 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

11 – Veterans Day

27 – RHI Closed

28 – Thanksgiving Day – RHI Closed

29 – RHI Closed

December

24 – Christmas Eve

25 – Christmas Day

23 -27 – RHI Closed

31 – New Year's Eve – RHI Closed

