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Newsletter

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Fall Barbecue Chicken Fundraiser Set for Sept. 29

The RHI Fall Barbecue Chicken Dinner Fundraiser returns. The event is on the calendar for Friday, Sept. 29. The \$10-a-plate dinners will be cooked and served from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. at 414 Raleigh Road, the location of RHI's offices and warehouse. The familiar menu will include green beans, potatoes and dessert. Volunteers will deliver orders for five or more plates. Call and place your order. Dinners may be picked up in the drive-through area or enjoyed in the RHI dining room.



Volunteers are needed both the day before and the day of the fundraiser. The day before, bread and desserts are bagged; cups are filled with barbecue sauce. On fundraiser day, helping hands are needed to fill plates and keep the serving line supplied.

RHI, Clayton Homes Help After Hurricane in Battleboro



A hurricane in mid-July paid a visit to Edgecombe and Nash counties. To help with the recovery, Clayton Homes of Nashville teamed with Rebuilding Hope to repair the roof at the Phillips family home in Battleboro. Clayton Homes employees participated as part of the company's paid Volunteer Time Off program.



Youths attending Rebuilding Hope's 2023 Kids' Construction Camp work together as they learn to repair a roof.



Benchmarkers display the birdhouses crew members built for the campers' take-home project. Crew leader is Robbie Parham (rear, left), with instructors Paula and Steve Lyles.

Kids' Construction Camp Teaches Basic Skills, Safety

Rebuilding Hope's Kids' Construction Camp brought a capacity number of youngsters together Aug. 7-9. Thirty-two campers in six crews learned basics in electrical, plumbing and roof repairs and masonry, as well as which tools, nails and screws to use and how to safely operate power drivers.

Campers built a bird house for a take-home project. A Bible study each day added to their Tools for Life. A midmorning snack each day provided a time for fellowship and getting to know one another.

Thanks to all the volunteers who made the 2023 Kids' Construction Camp possible.

Crew leaders were Larry Yates, Plumb Liners; Robbie Parham, Benchmarkers; Tim and Diane Jenks, Levelers; Richard Rogers, Power Drivers; Dave Burns, Circuit Breakers; and Skip Lewis, Chalk Liners.

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Volunteers Needed for Small Repair Projects



While teams of Rebuilding Hope volunteers build wheelchair ramps and replace roofs, requests for smaller and simpler repairs can't be immediately answered. The solution is teams that can spend a few hours repairing a ramp, a stoop, stairs or a door.

The projects are perfect for a men's group or a youth group. Groups can provide a much needed service. A group need not be church-affiliated to help.

The goal is to provide two projects each month to groups in the four counties served by Rebuilding Hope, Vance, Granville, Franklin and Warren.

Rebuilding Hope will provide the tools and materials for each job.

Call 252-438-5132 or 252-425-5593 and let us answer your questions and get you started.

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 your group in its into action serving job locations and on experience and day projects or meet the needs of others. We provide materials for hands-will arrange for one-day 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.



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. Available equipment:

Game trailer – Outfitted with all kinds of games to



use in outreach.

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



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 20 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 252-438-5132.

If you can help, we'll put you in touch with Bill Overby of West End Baptist Church, our team leader for Warren County. Or Steve Timberlake of Oxford Baptist Church, our team leader in Granville County. Or, in Vance County, team leaders Steve Lyles of Raleigh Road Baptist Church, Vann Wester of New Bethel Baptist Church, or Cliff McClanahan of Central Baptist Church. Or Perry Faulkner of Louisburg Baptist Church, our team leader in Franklin County.



RHI's 2023 Calendar

Dates and events are subject to change.

September

4 — Labor Day—RHI closed.

29 — FALL FUNDRAISER, 11 A.M.-7 P.M.

October

No Events Scheduled

November

11 — Veteran's Day

22-24 — RHI closed for Thanksgiving

23 — Thanksgiving

December

12 — Volunteer Christmas Party

24 — Christmas Eve

25 — Christmas Day

25-Jan. 1 — RHI Closed

Weekly Men's Prayer Group

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



As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.
Proverbs 27:17 (NIV)

RHI Speakers Bureau

The Rebuilding Hope Speakers Bureau is off go a good start in 2023.

RHI volunteers in January spoke to four churches and a group of pastors in Franklin, Warren and Vance counties.

If your church or organization would like to hear more about RHI and our mission in our communities, we can provide a speaker.

Call our office. We can coordinate a date and time for one of our volunteers to talk to you about our work and how you can participate.



Our Monthly Newsletter

If you know someone who would enjoy our newsletter, let us know at info@rebuildinghopeinc.org.

We're online at Rebuildinghopeinc.org.

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Areas Where You Can Serve at RHI and Meet Needs in Our Communities



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

Our Ongoing Needs

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

Rebuilding Hope – 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.

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 used furniture, household goods and clothing cannot be accepted.



Kids' Construction Camp

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Instructors included Leo Suitte, masonry; Cliff McClanahan, electricity and plumbing; Tom Wille, nails, screws and power drivers; Billy Layton, roof repair; Steve and Paula Lyles, take-home project; and Jack Powell, Bible study.



Each camper receives a certificate of completion at the end of the camp.

Rebuilding Hope offers Kids' Construction Camp each August. The camp is free of charge. Youths in the 2nd-6th grades are invited to attend. Watch the Calendar of Events for the 2024 camp.



Leo Suitte explains to campers how to lay cinderblocks and bricks.



Jack Powell leads the daily Bible study. Bibles used by the campers were gifts for them at the end of the camp.



Cliff McClanahan instructs campers in simple electricity and plumbing repairs.



Skip Lewis (left) and Tom Wille (right) teach the safe use of nail guns.

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 reach our communities with the gospel of Jesus Christ.