# Merry Christmas

### For Unto Us A Child Is Born, Unto Us A Son Is Given (Isaiah 9:6)



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### Newsletter

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### **Merry Christmas**

All of us at Rebuilding Hope wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas. May this Christ-

mas season be filled with joy and excitement as we celebrate the birthday of our Lord and Savior.

Ministry activity reports for this year — job numbers and types, volunteer hours, etc. —

are still being gathered. However, we want to share with you some of this year's activities:

 Thanks to your donations during our Operation Roll On fund drive we were able to repave our driveway and parking lot.



We deployed our two shower trailers to western
North Carolina to aid in disaster recovery following
Hurricane Helene. The ministry became a delivery and distribution point for supplies to victims of the storm.

- New signage was added to the front of the building.
- A revamping of a portion of the rear utility building created space for lawn mowers and other equipment.
- We surpassed our number of ramps built in the past. This has given us a greater opportunity to present the Gospel.

Thanks so much for your support.

Randolph

Our offices will be closed Dec. 23-Jan. 1 for Christmas and New Year's



A repaved driveway and parking areas greet visitors to Rebuilding Hope. More photos, pages 4 and 5.

### Driveway, Parking Areas' Repaving Completed at Rebuilding Hope

Visitors to Rebuilding Hope are noticing a big change at the ministry. The driveway and parking areas have been repayed.

Wear and tear over the years had left the 35,190-square-foot area with potholes and bare of asphalt. The resurfacing was needed to prevent damage to vehicles and allow proper drainage away from the building.

A little over a year ago, a fund-raising campaign, Operation Roll On, began, and donations from individuals, churches, businesses and charitable foundations helped pay for the much-needed improvement.

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## Kerr-Tar Regional COG Partners With Rebuilding Hope



Members of the staff at Kerr-Tar Regional Council of Governments partnered Nov. 15 with Rebuilding Hope to build a ramp in the Pinkston Street area of Henderson. The COG staff volunteered on its quarterly training day. Rebuilding Hope team leaders are Tom Wille (far left) and Morris Adcock (far right). See story on page 2.



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

Churches, businesses and others, do you have groups like the one pictured above who can lend a hand and help us build wheelchair ramps? Your participation would 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 dayand-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.



Kerr-Tar Regional Council of Governments staff members partner with Rebuilding Hope to build a wheelchair ramp at a home in Henderson.

### Kerr-Tar Regional COG Partners With Rebuilding Hope

A quarterly training/team building day Nov. 15 brought Kerr-Tar Regional Council of Governments (KTCOG) staff members to Rebuilding Hope. Staff members partnered with the ministry to build a wheelchair ramp in the Pinkston Street area of Henderson.

COG staff included Kim Hawkins, Sharon Thomas, Cindy Pernell, Greta Brackett, Lou Grillo, Amanda Lewis, Crystal Allen, Victoria Glasscock, Desiree Brooks, Diane Cox, Katie Conner, Alan Winstead, Charlie Robinette and Nicole Manalis. Rebuilding Hope volunteers Tom Wille and Morris Adcock were crew leaders.

KTCOG is an association of local governments. KTCOG's mission is to promote regionalism that provides opportunities for local governments to enhance and improve quality of life for their citizens through the effective delivery of services and programs.

KTCOG serves its members and the citizens of the region by administering programs related to aging, economic and community development, planning, transportation, housing and workforce development.

The KTCOG is strongly service oriented and its programs are driven by membership needs. KTCOG serves Franklin, Granville, Person, Vance and Warren counties and the municipalities in those counties.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### **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.

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

#### **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.



### Donate Online to Rebuilding Hope

Rebuilding Hope has added a web site feature for supporters who prefer making tax-deductible donations online. Rebuilding Hope is a non-profit corporation and is 501c(3) approved.

Visit us at www.rebuildinghopeinc.org.
Online donations may be made to:
General Ministry for daily operations.
SOS (Students on Site) to pay registration
fees or to contribute to the summer mission camp.
Memorial for a remembrance or a sympathy
gift.

### 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

#### **RHI Speakers Bureau**

If your church or organization would like to hear more about Rebuilding Hope and our mission in our communities, we can provide a speaker through our speakers bureau.

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 <a href="mailto:info@rebuildinghopeinc.org">info@rebuildinghopeinc.org</a>.

We're online at <a href="mailto:Rebuildinghopeinc.org">Rebuildinghopeinc.org</a>.

Follow us on <a href="mailto:Facebook">Facebook</a>.







Photos in this column show the condition of the driveway and parking areas before the repaving.

### Repaving

#### From page 1

When the area was first paved is unclear, although the building was constructed in the 1930s for The Coca-Cola Bottling Co. of Henderson, with additions in 1949 and the 1980s. The site has been the home of Rebuilding Hope since 2016 when the ministry purchased it from the Durham Coca-Cola Bottling Company.

Removing the old pavement and preparing for the asphalt involved closing the ministry's application office from Oct. 30-Nov. 15. Trucks and tool trailers were parked off-site, and work at job sites continued.

Calvin Ray Paving Contractor Inc. of Wake Forest was the contractor.







Photos in this column show the repaved areas at the front and rear of the building. More photos, next page.

#### Driveway, Parking Areas: Between the Before and After









### **SUNROCK**

(Note: SUNROCK, a supplier of construction materials with headquarters in Raleigh, posted this message to its Facebook page while the parking lot and driveway at Rebuilding Hope were being repaved. Rebuilding Hope appreciates the comments.)

On the ground in Henderson, N.C., last week at Rebuilding Hope for a job with Calvin Ray Paving Contractor!

Rebuilding Hope is a volunteer ministry that acts to serve people in situations that call for physical and spiritual help in a practical way.

Visit the web site at rebuildinghopeinc.org to donate and learn more about the great work that they are doing for our communities.



Between the Before and After: Tons of old pavement are removed before paving can begin.

#### **Keeping Watch**



While the driveway and parking areas were being repaved, the Rebuilding Hope application office was closed. Other activities continued, and R.J., volunteer Robbie Parham's faithful companion, kept watch for his master's return to the office. R.J. is a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel.

#### RHI's 2024 Calendar

Dates and events are subject to change.

#### **DECEMBER**

10 — Volunteer Christmas Party

23-Jan.1 — RHI Closed for Christmas & New Year's

24 — Christmas Eve

25 — Christmas Day

31 - New Year's Eve

#### **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)

#### How to Bring a Group to Rebuilding Hope

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 homeown-

ers, but also to your group in its into action serving job locations and on experience and day projects or meet the needs of effort to put its faith others. We provide materials for handswill arrange for oneprojects for more

than one day. Overnight accommodations can be arranged. E-mail us at <a href="mailto:rwilson@rebuildinghopeinc.org">rwilson@rebuildinghopeinc.org</a> or call 252-438-5132 for more information or registration.



#### 1 of 161

Rebuilding Hope volunteers Marshal Humphries, Scott MacLean, James Deans, Philip Reams and James Bean built this ramp at a home in the Gun Club Road area of Vance County. The ramp is one of 161 ramps built by volunteers so far this year.

#### **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.

"Rebuilding Homes, Lives and Hearts" is the mission to which God has called us. With humble hearts, we strive daily to be faithful to that calling.