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Newsletter

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Happy February

We are off and running again in 2025 in the name of Jesus, to serve our communities. Even in the cold and snow our crews of volunteers continue to show the love of



Christ in a tangible way, while intentionally pointing them to Jesus. There are many "facets" to the ministry, and it has been encouraging to watch how these all come together to form the jewel that is RHI.

The end users – In physical need of help to improve their daily lives. Being able to get in and out easily and safely.

The individual churches – With the help and backing of RHI they are able to serve and minister to their members in a real way. Your extended RHI family, ready to help your church family, brings community together.

Businesses in the community – Sending volunteers and other support to affect and encourage the broad spectrum of society in a positive and meaningful way.

The youth, both near and far – Coming together in small weekend projects and for SOS week in the summer. They grow, serve and share in the community – forming lifelong friendships and habits that include understanding how to positively affect their communities.

The children – At Kids' Camp learning about Jesus, while also learning maintenance skills that will serve them in the future, vocationally perhaps, at their future homes, and encouraging their communities.

Special events volunteers – Helping for a day or a weekend or a week. Leading, teaching and encouraging those around them.

Regular volunteers – These ladies and men show up several times a month or week, for an appointed time to complete the tasks at hand. They are the backbone of RHI, out in the community Mondays, Thursdays and other days. Working in the harvest, while changing lives. The office "staff," each day touching those in need, encouraging the volunteers.

It is truly a great team – Join us! Consider working with us to bring a better life to our communities. Help us take the good news to our Jerusalem!

In Christ Alone,

Tom Wille

(Tom is Rebuilding Hope co-director.)



RHI Partners with Macon Baptist

Macon Baptist Church members Jacob Campbell, Matthew Brogden, Ken Smith, Roger Lynch, Rick Lynch, Greg Henry and Jeremy Munn built this ramp in January for a resident of their community. RHI volunteer Cliff McClanahan led the team.



RHI Volunteers at Work in Drewry

Rebuilding Hope volunteers James Bean, Charlie Flowe and Scott MacLean in January built steps and landing in the Drewry community for Lara Alston.

See ramp project photo, page 4

Decks/Porches, Other Projects Bring Total Jobs to 237 in 2024

Rebuilding Hope volunteers completed 237 jobs in 2024. The year-end report included ramps, roofs, decks/porches, other exterior jobs and one interior job. Volunteers worked in nine counties.

The breakdown:

Wilson — 12 ramps.

Warren — 18 ramps, 3 roofs, 1 deck/porch, 1 exterior, 1 interior job.

Vance — 72 ramps, 8 roofs, 3 deck/porch, 8 exterior job.

Person — 3 ramps.

Nash — 55 ramps, 2 roofs

Halifax — 4 ramps.

Granville — 11 ramps, 2 roofs, 2 exterior jobs.

Franklin — 16 ramps, 1 roof.

Edgecombe — 14 ramps.



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.

RHI's 2024 Calendar

Dates and events are subject to change.

February

No Events Scheduled

March

No Events Scheduled

April

13 — Palm Sunday

18 — Good Friday — RHI Closed

20 — Easter

25 — Spring Fundraiser, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

May

1 - SOS Registration Deadline

Registration, with \$50 deposit, Jan. 16-May 1, is \$200 per participant.

11 — Mother's Day

26 — Memorial Day - RHI Closed

June

15 — Father's Day

23-27 — **SOS25**

July

4 — RHI Closed for Independence Day

August

4-6 — Kids' Construction Camp, 9 a.m.-Noon. KCC gives 3rd-6th graders hands-on experiences with basic construction skills as they rotate through stations, such as Hammer & Nails, Electrical & Plumbing and Roofing. There is no cost. A snack is provided midmorning. Please register at rebuildinghopeinc.org/ministries/kids-construction-camp. Call or email for more information.

September

1 — Labor Day — RHI Closed.

26 — Fall Fundraiser, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

October

No Events Scheduled

November

11 — Veteran's Day — RHI Closed

26-28 — RHI Closed for Thanksgiving

27 — Thanksgiving

December

9 — Volunteer Christmas Party

24-Jan.2 — 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)

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.



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.

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.

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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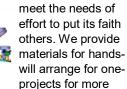
Clayton Homes Team Partners for Ramp in City

Clayton Homes employees continued a partnership with Rebuilding Hope in January. The team, along with RHI volunteers, built this ramp in the Hargrove Street area of Henderson. Employees began partnering with RHI in 2021 as Clayton Homes initiated a "Volunteer Time Off" program. The program offers employees eight hours of paid time when they volunteer to help with meaningful causes in the communities where they live and work.

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



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.

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.

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.