

Happy New Year!



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Newsletter

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SOS 2025 Planning Under Way; Early Bird Registration Deadline Feb. 1

Planning for SOS 2025 is under way.

Scheduled for June 23-27, the Early Bird registration deadline is Jan. 15. With a \$50 deposit, the cost is \$150. After Jan. 15, with a \$50 deposit, the cost will be \$200, and the deadline is May 1.



The fee for the week covers the cost of a theme T-shirt, meals and lodging. Scholarships are available. SOS — a week of work, worship and witness in Vance and surrounding counties — is a mission opportunity for youths who have completed sixth grade and up and adults.

Participants work on home improvements in the area during the day and take the opportunities to share the gospel of Jesus Christ. Participants join together for daily devotions and each evening for a worship service and message.

See February entry on [RHI's 2025 Calendar](#) on page 3 of this newsletter

Plans will be announced as they are confirmed.

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Rebuilding Hope Christmas Party

Rebuilding Hope volunteers gathered Dec. 10 for their annual Christmas party. Visiting (at left) are Morris and Elaine Aycock and Ceci and Tom Wille. More Christmas party photos on page 3.

Volunteers Work in 9 Counties, Complete 189 Projects in 2024

County	Roofs	Ramps	Other
<i>Edgecombe</i>		11	
<i>Franklin</i>		8	
<i>Granville</i>	2	11	
<i>Halifax</i>		2	
<i>Nash</i>		49	
<i>Person</i>		2	
<i>Vance</i>	8	54	11
<i>Warren</i>	2	16	3
<i>Wilson</i>		8	2
Total	12	161	16

Rebuilding Hope volunteers in 2024 worked in more counties than ever before, completing 189 projects as the year ended. The chart above tells the story.

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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 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 2024 Calendar

Dates and events are subject to change.

January

1 — New Year's Day — RHI Closed

15 — **SOS Early Bird Special** Deadline. SOS is our summer event. Local and out-of-town groups of youths who have completed 6th grade through early college, along with their adult group leaders, are housed locally. Crews are formed. They go out Tuesday-Friday to do hands-on ministry to local homeowners. Housing, breakfast, supper and worship are at Central Baptist Church. Local churches minister to the crews and provide on-site lunch Tuesday-Friday. With registration and a \$50 deposit by Jan. 15, the cost per participant is \$150. After Jan. 15, registration with a \$50 deposit is \$200.

April

13 — Palm Sunday

18 — Good Friday — RHI Closed

20 — Easter

26 — **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.

Feb. 1-May 1, cost is \$150 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



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.

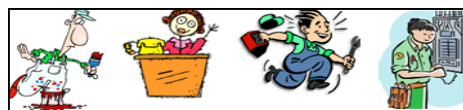
Online donations may be made to:

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 info@rebuildinghopeinc.org.

We're online at Rebuildinghopeinc.org.

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**Volunteers Celebrate Christmas,
Year of Working Together**

The year's work nearly done, Rebuilding Hope volunteers gathered Dec. 10 for their annual Christmas party. A group (above) feasts on finger food, punch and cider. Scott and Karen MacLean and Cliff and Jane McClanahan visit (second photo), as do Joyce and Richard Roberts, Dave Burns and Jeff Strickland (bottom photo). The team of volunteers completed 189 projects in 2024. See chart on page 1.



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 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.



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.

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)*

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.