

**FAITHFUL  
THEN,**

**2024 REPORT**

**FAITHFUL  
NOW**

**2025 VISION**

**HARVEST  
BIBLE  
CHAPEL**

A hand is raised in the foreground, palm facing forward, with fingers slightly spread. The background is a warm, orange-toned bokeh of light circles, suggesting a church service or a prayer meeting. The overall mood is spiritual and hopeful.

# A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR TODD DUGARD

## **Faithful Then, Faithful Now.**

*The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;  
his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.*

– Lamentations 3:22–23 ESV



It isn't hard to see the Lord's kindness to our church over the more than 23 years since it launched. Through seasons of tremendous growth and joy as well as times when it's been tough, God has continued his faithful work in us and through us. We have never questioned his presence when it was difficult, nor that he was behind every gain.

As we celebrate all that God has done in and through Harvest in 2024 and look ahead to the rest of 2025 and years to come, our heart's desire and determination is to be faithful to him as he has been faithful to us. With Christ and his gospel at the centre and the glory of God our aim, we commit ourselves to the ongoing mission to make more and better disciples of Jesus who love God and love people.

**HARVEST EXISTS TO GLORIFY GOD  
BY MAKING MORE AND BETTER  
FOLLOWERS OF JESUS WHO LOVE  
GOD AND LOVE PEOPLE.**

**896**

attended in person each  
Sunday on average

**120**

people attended  
Harvest Essentials

**153**

households joined the  
livestream each Sunday  
on average

**1,566**

attended in-person  
Christmas Eve services

**163** on  
average

people watched the services  
on demand each week

**255**

families attended for  
the first time

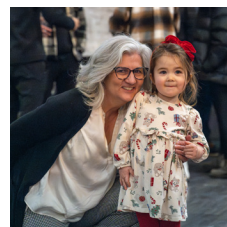
**16** children  
dedicated

**132** on  
average

volunteers served each week

**13**

attending Moms & Tots  
on average



**\$64,216**

in H.O.P.E. funds distributed  
to meet practical needs

**\$125,400**

given to church  
planting partners

**\$24,000**

given to compassion and  
education partners

**107** on  
average  
people attended  
Harvest Alliston

**23** on  
average  
people attended the  
South Asian Services

In 2024, we passed

**1,000**

YouTube subscribers

Easter in-person attendance:  
Good Friday    Easter Sunday

**1,101    1,522**

**47** baptized as  
believers

**23** babies born

**78**  
youth and leaders  
attended Spring Retreat

**31,000**  
visits to our websites:  
harvestbible.ca and hbc.info

**595**  
gave financially toward  
our mission

**180+** kids attended  
Awana

**296** kids at  
High Five

**218** first-time  
donors

Total given in 2024

**\$2,265,542**



# OUR VISION - 2025 - 2032

## A RETURN TO FIRST PRINCIPLES

From our beginning in 2001, Harvest has been about both **a quantity of disciples and a quality of discipleship**. We've earnestly believed that focusing on quality discipleship—helping Christians grow deeper in their walk with Christ—makes better disciples who more naturally share their faith. This, more often than not, results in an increase in conversions. Better disciples help make more disciples! That's our stated mission: **to glorify God by making more and better disciples of Jesus**.

In our almost 24 years of history, we've cast and re-cast that vision every seven years or so, always wanting to make sure our mission doesn't drift and giving some specifics about how that might happen given the circumstances at the time. Each re-casting is **a return to first principles**. In Matthew 22:34–40 we have the Great Commandment to **love God and love people**—the growth points for every believer. In Matthew 28:19–20, we have the Great Commission to **make disciples**. Together they shape everything that Harvest aims to be. Together they speak to making **more and better disciples**. Everything we do as a church has to fall under these two mandates.



Over the past few years, we moved into our 7 George Street facility (2017), found our way through the pandemic (2020–2022), and faced many challenges and changes in the days that followed. Long time faithful members moved on for various reasons, many newcomers found their place in our Harvest family, and the world simply felt a little different. We launched Harvest Online, our campus in Alliston, as well as the South Asian service. Our numbers grew and the staff team and systems were stretched. And now, as we set our sights on the coming years, we realize again that the best strategy is to return to first principles.

On the following pages you'll see a sketch of what we believe is ahead for us in the next seven years, subject, of course, to the Lord's will. The plan is rooted in the Scriptures above. We engaged with members and attendees through a comprehensive survey, held focus groups with key leadership, engaged with the staff team, and finalized the vision as elders. What you'll read is a re-focusing on what we've always tried to do: set Harvest Bible Chapel up to **make more and better disciples of Jesus to the glory of God.**

## ■ A VISION FOR BETTER DISCIPLES

***Lives transformed by walking with Christ through deeper discipleship, vibrant community, and a mission carried across Simcoe County.***

Through an ongoing commitment to life transforming expository preaching, theologically rich worship that lifts high the name of Jesus, and continued belief in the power of prayer, our deepening commitment to Walk with Christ will form an Uncommon Community that transforms lives and multiplies our gospel impact in Simcoe County. By renewing Life Groups and Biblical Soul Care, strengthening leadership development, and offering robust teaching and retreats, we will equip believers to grow and lead. We will expand ministries to new campuses and faithfully steward what God has provided to us. We will renew an annual focus

YEAR 1 → 2 → 3 →

on our gospel partners, raising their visibility and inspiring our church to pray, serve, and give alongside them. Through strategic staffing, succession planning, and debt retirement, we will free up resources to advance the gospel, and, trusting God for future provision, we will acquire land and facilities to extend his reach. Together, we will build vibrant communities that carry our hope in Christ throughout Simcoe County.

## | A VISION FOR MORE DISCIPLES

***More people saved, baptized, and worshipping Christ through gospel outreach in Barrie, Simcoe County, and in the nations with our partners.***

Through gospel outreach, we long to see more people saved, baptized, and worshipping Christ. By equipping believers to boldly share their faith, we will send the gospel deeper into our communities and beyond. By establishing a church planter pipeline and new campuses, we will multiply our impact for the gospel in Simcoe County. Through Acts 29 and other partners, we will strengthen our national and global partnerships, increasing support to 20 percent of our total budget and sending our members on partnership trips. Our commitment to bold preaching will reach more people through Harvest Online and sign language interpretation. Our South Asian ministry and planting a future Ukrainian church will magnify the glory of Christ in expressions that will resonate among the nations.



**HARVEST  
BIBLE  
CHAPEL**

**A ACTS 29**

**KNOW THEREFORE THAT THE  
LORD YOUR GOD IS GOD, THE  
FAITHFUL GOD WHO KEEPS  
COVENANT AND STEADFAST  
LOVE WITH THOSE WHO  
LOVE HIM AND KEEP HIS  
COMMANDMENTS, TO A  
THOUSAND GENERATIONS.**

**DEUTERONOMY 7:9**



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