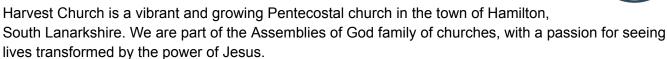
## Senior Pastor

## An Introduction to Harvest Church



The Fellowship began on 9th June 2002, planted by Pastor Ken and Jeanie Morris, Assemblies of God missionaries from Texas. Under their leadership, the church grew from 15 people at the first service to over 120 by 2009. During 2006–2007, Pastor Tony Foley led the church while Ken and Jeanie were on furlough in the USA. In 2009, Pastor Colin and Michelle McIlvenna became Senior Pastors, serving until August 2014. After their departure, Elder Stephen Robbins and his wife Aline served faithfully as Interim Pastors for six months while the search for new leadership began.

In November 2015, Pastor Willie and Jane Watt took on leadership and brought a fresh vision to secure a permanent home for the fellowship. In February 2019, a building in central Hamilton was purchased, and in October 2020—despite pandemic delays—work began to restore it as a place of worship. This vision was fulfilled in January 2024 when the congregation moved into the renovated Keith Street building.

For the past four years, the church has been led by Pastors David and Heather Robertson, who will be returning to England later this year. Under their leadership, we have experienced a new season of growth, with average Sunday attendance consistently exceeding 150, a surge in baptisms and membership, and a strong culture of prayer, worship, and outreach. We have launched a new church plant in Lesmahagow and initiated missional adventures in Rutherglen and Carluke, and we are now preparing to move to two Sunday services as soon as practical to make room for continued growth in Hamilton.

We are a multi-generational church family, from the youngest children to those in their senior years, worshipping and serving together. We are also joyfully multi-national, currently representing 26 different nations, reflecting the beautiful diversity of God's Kingdom.

Our building is strategically located just off Junction 6 of the M74, putting nearly one million people within a 20-minute drive. We believe God has positioned us to be a house of renewal, revival, and awakening—not just for Hamilton, but for the region and beyond.

Our weekly life together includes:

- Sunday Worship Gatherings
- LifeGroups (around 130 people involved)
- Youth Ministry (Friday nights and Sunday mornings)
- Kids Ministry (Sunday mornings)
- Community Café (Tuesday afternoons)
- Parent & Toddler Group (Thursday mornings)



- Fresh Encounter prayer and worship night (first Wednesday of each month)
- Prayer Army a team responding to intercession needs
- Women's Ministry Events held two or three times a year, creating space for connection, encouragement, and discipleship

## **Current Staff Team:**

- Associate Pastor
- Church Administrator
- Worship Pastor

Harvest is a church where the presence and power of God are central to our life together. Each week, we are seeing stories of healing, provision, and transformation. Our worship is Spirit-led, our preaching is Bible-based, and our mission is fuelled by prayer and faith.

This is a pivotal moment in the life of Harvest. We are poised for further expansion, committed to multiplying ministry into new communities, and ready to step into the next chapter of our call to reach Scotland for Christ. We are seeking a Senior Pastor or Senior Pastor couple who will build on this strong foundation, lead with vision and faith, and help us see the Kingdom of God advance in Hamilton, the surrounding region, and beyond.

To explore our vision, priorities, and the life of our church, visit <u>harvestchurch.scot</u> or see all our links at <u>linktr.ee/harvestchurch.scot</u>.