

## **WES ROBERTS**

Wes Roberts and his family began attending Unionville Alliance Church (UAC) in August 2021. He is married to Sharon, and together they have two children: Bethany (26) and Josh (23). They live in Ajax, ON.

Wes was born in Hamilton and raised in a devout, service-minded evangelical Christian family. Much of his childhood and youth revolved around church, where Christian values and service were beautifully modeled by his parents and extended family. Their influence in following Jesus profoundly impacted Wes as he grew older.

In grade nine, Wes made the personal decision to give his life and heart to Christ. A few years later, while attending a youth conference at Canadian Bible College (CBC) in Regina, SK, he responded to God's Spirit and committed to serving Him in Christian vocational ministry. God used various life experiences and wise counsel from individuals to affirm this calling, leading Wes to enroll at CBC, where he graduated in 1991 with a Bachelor of Religious Education degree. That same year, Wes married Sharon, and together they have shared a mutual desire to use their gifts and talents in service to God and others.

For ten and a half years, Wes served as Children's Pastor at First Alliance Church in Scarborough. He deeply treasures his years there because of the many relationships he enjoyed within such a vibrant and prayerful faith community. These years were key to his personal formation, filled with much spiritual, vocational, and relational growth. As a young pastor, Wes was fortunate to serve under Christ-centered biblical

leadership in all facets of church life and governance. In 2001, God's call on his life was further confirmed through his Ordination with the Christian and Missionary Alliance in Canada.

In 2003, Wes transitioned into his current vocation in healthcare chaplaincy. In 2013, he earned a Master of Theological Studies from Wycliffe College at the University of Toronto's Toronto School of Theology.

As a Healthcare Spiritual Care Chaplain serving a geriatric population, Wes is privileged to live out his values and faith in the context of human vulnerability and some of life's most challenging moments. God's gifting and call in this area of ministry provides him the honour to walk alongside individuals and families who may be in need of compassionate spiritual and emotional support.

Wes and his wife Sharon, along with their daughter Bethany, began attending Unionville Alliance Church in August 2021. They immediately experienced a warm, vibrant, and welcoming faith community. UAC's vision to share God's message of hope one life at a time really resonated with them, and they are delighted to call UAC their home church. Wes is humbled by the opportunity and privilege to let his name stand for election to serve the congregation as an elder for this upcoming term.

