

# Work for Christ Application



One day, a football coach was asked how the game of football was impacting health and exercise around the world. He responded, **“I define football as 22 men on the field who desperately need a rest and 50,000 people in the stands who desperately need exercise.”<sup>1</sup>**

Unfortunately, this is often what the church is like as well – a few people running around doing all the work while the majority sit on the bench or watch from the bleachers.

God has a better design. At Harvest Bible Chapel Brampton, we have an amazing opportunity to break this cycle as we seek to *Worship, Walk* with and *Work* for Christ together. God has blessed each one of us with gifts and abilities to use for building up Christ’s body and expanding His kingdom. So, we want to help people express their *Worship* of and *Walk* with Christ by enabling them to *Work* for Him. One great way is through our general serving rotation.

## What is a Serving Rotation?

The general serving rotation is a 6-week serving cycle in which each person is placed in a Group that serves:

- 2 weeks in Harvest Kids
- 2 weeks off to enjoy the adult worship service
- 2 weeks in Welcome Ministries

Group	Week 1 – 2	Week 3 – 4	Week 5 – 6
A	Harvest Kids	OFF	Welcome
B	Welcome	Harvest Kids	OFF
C	OFF	Welcome	Harvest Kids

## The Benefits of this Serving Model

This 6-week serving rotation accomplishes several aims:

- it enables us to share the responsibility of discipling the children God has entrusted to us together as a body of believers
- it provides an opportunity to grow in humility through serving others
- it allows for long-term spiritual health and growth by,
  - enabling people to regularly rotate in and out of the serving schedule for rest and refreshment
  - enabling people to regularly partake in the adult worship service for personal edification
- it allows for leadership development within the church body by,
  - giving people greater understanding, appreciation and experience in all the ministries of Harvest
  - providing opportunities for giftedness to surface in people and enabling the church to recognize these gifts and abilities

We pray that all of the above would become a growing reality in your life as you *Worship, Walk*, and *Work* for Christ here at Harvest!

<sup>1</sup> Bud Wilkinson, former Coach of University of Oklahoma football team; from Howard Hendricks, *Say it With Love*. (Wheaton: Victor, 1972), 113-14.