

THE CHURCH WE SEE

We see a multi generational church passionately worshipping the true and living God. We see a church reaching out in sacrificial love to serve its community. We see a church that is full of broken people working out how to love each other deeply. We see a wave of people baptized in the harbour into the family of God in Jesus name.

We see a church seeking unity in Christ amongst the churches for His glory. We see a kid's ministry bursting at the seams with young people, learning they are not an accident but the creation of a loving God. We see kids growing up into inspiring men and women of God.

We see tears of joy at the restoration of broken lives. We see tears of laughter as we enjoy each others company because we are a community that doesn't take itself too seriously but takes Jesus very seriously. We see a community where encouragement and words of love and affirmation are not rare but commonplace, building each other up in Christ. We see tables groaning with delicious food as we celebrate God's goodness together. We see acquaintances becoming friends, becoming family.

We see leaders being raised up and sent out, empowered for what God has for them. We see people wrestling with what it means to love God wholeheartedly - in our workplaces, in our families our friendships. We see new people being warmly welcomed into a community they have never experienced before. We see people opening their homes in warm hospitality.

We see and hear modern expressions of worship being sung at the top of our lungs. We see the kingdom breaking through people's apathy. We see cracks opening and God's Spirit seeping through to reach the lost and the spiritually hungry. We see a team on our knees together begging God to pour out his Spirit on us and the people of this area. We see a team of committed people taking a stand saying we are in this; we will give ourselves to this adventure for the glory of Jesus Christ. We see the body of Christ using our gifts to launch this church. We see generosity that raises eyebrows and inspires others. We see Jesus saying I will build my church and the gates of hell will not over come it.

We see God moving.

We see **Harbourside Church**.

