



## Matt Hess

FELLOWSHIP PICKERING (PICKERING)

### About the Family

Our family was called out of an established pastorate in the deep South to start a church having a DNA of multiplication in an unchurched region. My wife, Arrica, and I have always looked at ministry as a team effort and have served together for more than a decade in different ministry capacities, ranging from senior pastor to nursing homes ministry associate. In looking back on our journey, we see God has given us a broad range of ministry experience to effectively serve our community, regardless of socio-economic background, age or demographic.

Arrica and I met in high school in northeast Oklahoma, dated for seven years and married in 2004. After serving for four years in the United States Marine Corps and safely completing a tour in Baghdad, Iraq, we were blessed to welcome our first son Isaac, who is now 9. Next came Gavyn, who is 7. Seanna Grace (5) and Kadence Belle (1) are our precious girls.

### About the Church Plant

We have always had the desire to not just plant one church but rather to establish a church planting multiplication centre where we can develop future church planters. Through God's grace we are seeing this happen. Fellowship Pickering is a little more than two years old, and we launched a second autonomous church called Fellowship Rouge Park on Easter 2015 and recently commissioned and sent out our third church plant, Fellowship Oshawa in May 2016.

Also, we have always longed to reach out to the nations from one centralized location. In God's goodness He has answered that prayer. The Greater Toronto Area is one of the most diverse regions in the ENTIRE world! Currently, 25 different nations are represented in our church alone!

Find out how you can

- Pray.
- Participate.
- Provide.

**PRAY.**

- For us to stay humble and walk fully in the power of the Holy Spirit.
- For our marriage and family's protection from the enemy's attacks .
- For 10 new church planting residents over the next two years.
- For our new church plant, Fellowship Oshawa.

**PARTICIPATE.**

With our vision to start 12 churches over the next 10 years, we are always in need of multi-faceted missions teams of varying sizes. Here are just a few of the ways teams can engage with The Fellowships Church Planting Network: prayerwalking, sports camps, evangelism, surveying, community events and music/arts camps.

**PROVIDE.**

There are numerous ways to help a church plant. Please visit [sendnetwork.com/planterfunding](http://sendnetwork.com/planterfunding) for NAMB's policy on providing for church plants.

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