



Tri-City Baptist Church Ministries Fact Sheet

Dr. Michael D. Sproul - Senior Pastor

Dr. Michael Sproul has been the Senior Pastor at Tri-City Baptist Church (TBC) since 1999. He is also the Wing Chaplain, Lt Col, of the 161st Air Refueling Wing in Phoenix, Arizona. He received a B.A. Degree in Pastoral Studies from International Baptist College, earned a Master of Divinity degree from Calvary Baptist Theological Seminary, and returned to International Baptist College for his Doctor of Ministry degree. He and his wife Elma have two children, David (20) and Sara (19).

Description

- **Location:** Chandler, Arizona (*recently relocated from Tempe, Arizona; see TBC Building Program Fact Sheet*)
- **Founded:** November 1969 by Dr. James Singleton
- TBC is an independent fundamental Baptist church:
 - **Independent:** We believe that the local church should govern itself, so we do not belong to a denomination
 - **Fundamental:** The word has been abused and misused, but by it we mean that we hold strongly to the core doctrines of the Christian faith and are willing to champion them to maintain their purity
 - **Baptist:** We believe baptism is a symbol of how we are saved, but does not cause salvation, therefore we only baptize by immersion after salvation
- **Emphasis:** Relationships, Discipleship, Truth
- **Size:** Approximately 650 regularly attendees
- **Demographics:**
 - **Age:** Roughly half of regular attendees are under 35, with one quarter under 18.
 - **Gender:** 44% male, 56% female
 - **City:** 28% live in Chandler, 25% in Mesa, 17% in Tempe, 14% in Gilbert, 16% in Phoenix, Queen Creek, Apache Junction, Fountain Hills, Coolidge, Maricopa, Casa Grande, Scottsdale, and Sun Lakes
- **Employees:** Approximately 85 among all ministries
- **Pastors:** Senior, executive assistant, music, children's, college, youth and family, senior adult
- **Financial accountability:** An independent auditor reviews the books annually
- **Giving record:** The congregation is traditionally a very giving one; despite the recession TBC's overall giving has increased over the last two years
- **Worship style:** Distinctively Christian music with choir, orchestra, piano and organ

Ministries

- **Tri-City Baptist Church**
 - **Children:** Nursery, Sunday School, Children's Church, Children's Choir, AWANA, Vacation Bible School, Camp
 - **Music:** Orchestra, Choir, Brass Ensemble, Hand Bells
 - Youth, College, ASU Outreach, Singles, Ladies, Men, Senior Adults, Counseling, Classes
- **Tri-City Christian Academy** (est. 1971) - A K-12 private Christian school
- **Time For Tots Preschool** (est. 1973) - Offers child care and preschool for children from 18 months to 4 years of age
- **International Baptist College** (est. 1980) - A Bible college offering Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctor's degrees to students who wish to become pastors, missionaries, or Christian school teachers and administrators; plans to add a full seminary in the future
- **International Baptist Missions** (est. 1980) - A mission board with 28 missionaries serving in India, Kenya, Mexico, Poland, Puerto Rico, Romania, Spain and Singapore
- **Summer Enrichment Day Camp** - A 12 week summer day camp for children ages 5-13
- **Chandler School of Fine Arts** - Provides music instruction on various instruments by highly qualified teachers
- *Over 125 former TBC members and TCA and IBC alumni are now in full-time ministry around the world*

Documents with additional information:

- Tri-City Baptist Church Building Program Fact Sheet
- Tri-City Baptist Church Ministries Quotes
- International Baptist College Fact Sheet
- Tri-City Christian Academy Fact Sheet
- Time For Tots Fact Sheet

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