

My First Visit to East Mesa Baptist Church

Visiting a new church can cause some anxiety. Numerous questions may arise that can cause stress and detract from the expected sense of worship of the Lord in a new place. To try and help reduce the level of uncertainty that may arise as result of spending 1 -2 hours in a new church environment surrounded by unknown people, we would like to answer some frequently asked questions.

What should I wear?

Although East Mesa Baptist Church does not have an official dress code, most of our members dress in their best Sunday attire. Many of the men wear suits and ties, while some wear suit coats with matching dress slacks. Some are more informal. Likewise, ladies wear skirts and dresses, while others wear informal clothes.

We like to stress Biblical modesty in what we wear which emphasizes the distinction between men and women. Whatever you wear, you will not feel uncomfortable here but will experience an atmosphere of love, and respect for each other, as well as reverence for God that is expressed not only by our dress, but our conduct as well.

What about children?

We have trained and screened personnel who lovingly keep the young ones that the Lord has entrusted into our hands. The nursery is open during all weekly services to allow the parents uninterrupted focus on the teaching, preaching and worshipping of the Lord while in the Main Auditorium.

What about offerings?

The Lord has marvelously provided for the financial needs of this church PLUS the ability to support 50 missionaries around the world through the tithes and offering of the regular members and attendees of East Mesa Baptist Church. We do not expect visitors to give during the time when we worship God during the offertory segment of our worship service. If you sense the Spirit's leading to give, then please do not quench the Spirit and add your offering along with the other people at the appropriate time.

What about the Bible? Should we bring one?

Our members carry their personal Bibles to each worship service. The Word of God is our ONLY AUTHORITY for faith and practice. Therefore, all teaching and preaching subject matters are always found in the pages of this Holy Spirit inspired Book. We use the Authorized King James

Version for all teaching and preaching. For those visitors who perhaps did not bring a Bible, there are Bibles located in the slots on the back of each pew.

What kind of music can we expect?

We hold to a traditional and non-contemporary style of music. We value the hymns of the faith. We do not espouse a dead formalism in our music program, but portray a joyful and happy attitude while making melody in our hearts to the Lord. Live instrumentation is preferred over recorded music for specials and congregational singing. We have singing groups and families visit the church on a regular basis to minister to the congregation in music during the services. In addition, many church members serve the Lord by singing solos, duets, trios, quartets, as well as playing various musical instruments.

What kind of Baptist Church is East Mesa Baptist Church?

We are an independent Baptist Church. That means we are not controlled or influenced by any outside hierarchical directives of a higher level Church Organization. We do fellowship with churches of like faith in the Phoenix Metropolitan area and beyond. We try to establish an informal and kind attitude among the members, while nurturing a reverential attitude toward God.

Is handicap parking available?

Yes there are ample slots for handicap parking

Please come and visit us in person and observe how the Lord is using East Mesa Baptist Church for His Honor and Glory!

**Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages,
world without end.**

Amen. (Ephesians 3:21)

