TEMPE ARIZONA STAKE NEWSLETTER

September 2025

Stake conference invitation

Stake conference will be held September 12th – 14th. Plan to come be inspired, uplifted, and feel the Spirit as you listen to the messages from our stake and ward leaders, and members of the stake.

We are excited to be with you.

Tempe stake presidency

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Tempe Stake Conference

September 12-14, 2025

Stake Center

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Conference Schedule

Friday, September 12 7:00 pm — Newlywed Fireside

Saturday, September 13

4:00 pm - Stake & Ward Council Leadership Meeting

6:00 pm - Adult Session (Adults ages 18+)

Sunday, September 14

10:00 am — General Session (All members and friends of the stake)



NEWLYWED FIRESIDE

For couples married 5 years or less



Friday, September 12 · 7:00 PM



Stake Center

2707 S. College Ave, Tempe, AZ 85282

Guest Speaker: Ricardo Parker

Strengthening Marriage through Christ



Light refreshments afterward



Child care provided in the nursery room

Meet the Turley's



Scott was born in California and raised in Yuma. He attended college in Tucson at the University of Arizona, graduating in Electrical Engineering. He took a break from his degree to serve in the Alabama, Birmingham mission. On graduation, he got a job with Motorola in south Scottsdale and moved into the Tempe Stake as a single adult. It was here he met Sara on a night hike up Piestewa Peak during a single adult Family home evening event. A year and a half later they were married. Scott currently works as a Software Architect at American Express. Scott's hobbies include reading, hiking and being a general super-fan of his kids at their activities.

Sara was born and raised in Salt Lake City where she earned a bachelor's degree at the University of Utah in piano performance. She moved to Tempe in 1999 to pursue a Masters degree at ASU in piano performance/pedagogy. She was right in the middle of this degree when she met Scott. She has consistently maintained a piano studio teaching piano to students of all ages and skill levels. She is also now leading the high school and junior high choirs at Tempe Prep Academy. Sara loves working with youth, and her most recent callings have been serving in the primary and young women programs. Her hobbies include reading and connecting with friends.

The Turleys have four children: Elizabeth, age 22, attends Snow College where she is finishing up a degree in commercial music. Joshua, 20, just began his junior year at ASU in Mechanical Engineering, Hannah is a Junior at Tempe Prep, and Rebecca is a freshman also at Tempe Prep.

The Turleys have lived in the Tempe Stake for 24 years and currently live in the Grandview Ward.

With general conference approaching, they look forward to sitting together as a family to hear the talks from our church leaders. To prepare for the event, they try to clear out their schedules, have plenty of snacks, and think about questions or struggles they can bring to the weekend in hopes of finding inspiration, guidance and nourishment.



I am a native Californian that has lived in the Valley since 2008.
My proudest moments are a toss up between graduating from ASU with a degree in Exercise and Wellness in 2016 and completing the Mesa marathon in 2020. I enjoy growing veggies, good food, a good book and a good piece of dark chocolate.

The picture (right) was from my trip to Switzerland's Lindt chocolate factory this past Christmas season.



Baldo was born and raised in the Tempe stake, growing up in the Tempe ward and now raising a family in the Alameda ward.

Baldo and his wife Lauren have a pizza passion (some may call it an obsession) that can be followed at @pizzario_on_the_rio

One of the biggest highlights of serving in the stake communications is getting to know city, state and community members that are also highly focused on serving others and loving thy neighbor.

Baldo Besich

Three Fun Facts about Pepper!

She is a proud Navy Mom (always wearing an anchor)

She volunteers with the USO

She is an avid Soup maker

Pepper Hoyt

Tempe FamilySearch Center

FamilySearch



Did you lose a distant cousin on September 11?



Share with a friend, then bring them to the Family History Center to discover more!

Hours

2707 S College Ave. . Tempe, Arizona

Walk-in Hours		Closed
Sundays	1:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Holidays
Tuesdays	2:30 pm – 4:30 pm 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Stake Conference General Conference Thanksgiving week (Mon.–Sun.) Dec. 18 th through Jan. 1 st
Thursdays	9:30 am - 11:30 am 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	



Service in Del Rio



Members of the Del Rio Ward, Tempe South Rotary Club, and Brother Preston Hunters' neighborhood group all came together on Monday, August 25th to do some needed house painting for Sister Nellice Reidhead.

A total of 15 people participated with good fellowship and neighborly goodwill.

Brother Bob Nixon coordinated the service project, and thanks all of those that helped.





Eazter Pageant Auditions

ONLINE VIDEO SUBMISSIONS
SEP 1- OCT 5, 2025
www.mesaeasterpageant.org

There will be no extension to this submission deadline.

2026 Mesa Easter Pageant will be March 25-28 March 31-April 4

Worldwide Youth Fireside

TEMPE STAKE

ALL Youth 12+, Parents & Leaders

JOIN US

UNDER THE STARS

SUN 10.26.24 | 7 PM

KEELER BACKYARD

1829 E. Riviera Dr.

Dress: Sharp Casual Attire