Michael T. Nelson

Biography

Mike was saved and called into the ministry in 1994 at the age of 33 while serving on active duty in the U.S. Army. The Army had sent Mike to the University of Memphis to acquire a Master of Science in Business Administration with a concentration in Management Information Systems. While there, personal crisis led him to Kirby Woods Baptist Church where he surrendered his life to Jesus Christ and received his call to ministry. Mike graduated in 1995 and then spent a tour of duty at Fort Lee followed by one at Fort Hood where he retired after having completed twenty years of active-duty service. Upon retirement in 2003, Mike enrolled in Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, TX. He graduated in 2007 with a Master of Divinity with Biblical Languages. Mike has served as the pastor of four churches acquiring just under fourteen years of pastoral experience. In 2013, God called Mike to international missions. He founded and became the first and only president of EPPIC Ministries International in 2013 and began conducting short-term mission trips in 2014. As of November 1, 2026, the ministry has conducted twenty EPPIC Journeys (i.e., short-term mission trips), equipped 683 pastors, and helped them to plant 366 churches. Mike has also authored two books. The first is titled *The Seven Signs: A Practical Commentary on the Gospel According to John* and was published in 2023 by WestBow Press. The second is titled *The Gospel According to Paul: A Practical Commentary on the Book of Romans* and was published in 2026 also by WestBow Press. He married his wife Sharon in 1995, and they have five children.