

Championship History

Year	Location	Champion	Score	Runner-Up	Third Place*	Score	Fourth Place*
1981	Kansas City, Mo.	Kentucky State	73-67	Texas Southern	Northern State (S.D.)	74-65	Azusa Pacific (Calif.)
1982	Kansas City, Mo.	Southwestern Oklahoma	80-45	Missouri Southern	Saginaw Valley (Mich.)	71-61	Berry (Ga.)
1983	Kansas City, Mo.	Southwestern Oklahoma	80-68	Alabama-Huntsville	Missouri-Kansas City	85-65	Portland (Ore.)
1984	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	North Carolina-Asheville	72-70 (OT)	Portland (Ore.)	Dillard (La.)	70-66	Berry (Ga.)
1985	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	Southwestern Oklahoma	55-54	Saginaw Valley (Mich.)	Wayland Baptist (Texas)	70-64	Midland Lutheran (Neb.)
1986	Kansas City, Mo.	Francis Marion (S.C.)	75-65	Wayland Baptist (Texas)	Louisiana College	85-78	Georgia Southwestern
1987	Kansas City, Mo.	Southwestern Oklahoma	60-58	North Georgia	Wisconsin-Green Bay	82-56	Arkansas Tech
1988	Kansas City, Mo.	Oklahoma City	113-95	Clafin (S.C.)	Arkansas Tech	86-81 (OT)	Wingate (N.C.)
1989	Kansas City, Mo.	Southern Nazarene (Okla.)	98-96	Clafin (S.C.)	Arkansas Tech/St. Ambrose (Iowa)		
1990	Jackson, Tenn.	Southwestern Oklahoma	84-68	Arkansas-Monticello	Clafin (S.C.)/St. Ambrose (Iowa)		
1991	Jackson, Tenn.	Fort Hays State (Kan.)	57-53	Southwestern Oklahoma	Clafin (S.C.)/IUPUI-Indianapolis		
1992	Jackson, Tenn.	Arkansas Tech	84-68	Wayland Baptist (Texas)	St. Edward's (Texas)/Southwestern Oklahoma		
1993	Jackson, Tenn.	Arkansas Tech	76-75	Union (Tenn.)	Southern Nazarene (Okla.)/Southwestern Oklahoma		
1994	Jackson, Tenn.	Southern Nazarene (Okla.)	97-74	David Lipscomb (Tenn.)	Auburn Montgomery (Ala.)/Montevallo (Ala.)		
1995	Jackson, Tenn.	Southern Nazarene (Okla.)	78-77	Southeastern Oklahoma	Lipscomb (Tenn.)/Southwestern Oklahoma		
1996	Jackson, Tenn.	Southern Nazarene (Okla.)	80-79	Southeastern Oklahoma	Lipscomb (Tenn.)/Union (Tenn.)		
1997	Jackson, Tenn.	Southern Nazarene (Okla.)	78-73	Union (Tenn.)	Arkansas Tech/Southwestern Oklahoma		
1998	Jackson, Tenn.	Union (Tenn.)	73-70	Southern Nazarene (Okla.)	Findlay (Ohio)/Simon Fraser (B.C.)		
1999	Jackson, Tenn.	Oklahoma City	72-55	Simon Fraser (B.C.)	Freed-Hardeman (Tenn.)/Southern Nazarene (Okla.)		
2000	Jackson, Tenn.	Oklahoma City	64-55	Simon Fraser (B.C.)	Findlay (Ohio)/Southern Nazarene (Okla.)		
2001	Jackson, Tenn.	Oklahoma City	69-52	Auburn Montgomery (Ala.)	Lewis-Clark State (Idaho)/Southern Nazarene (Okla.)		
2002	Jackson, Tenn.	Oklahoma City	82-73	Southern Nazarene (Okla.)	Central State (Ohio)/Union (Tenn.)		
2003	Jackson, Tenn.	Southern Nazarene (Okla.)	71-70	Oklahoma City	Science & Arts (Okla.)/Vanguard (Calif.)		
2004	Jackson, Tenn.	Southern Nazarene (Okla.)	77-61	Oklahoma City	Brescia (Ky.)/Houston Baptist (Texas)		
2005	Jackson, Tenn.	Union (Tenn.)	67-63	Oklahoma City	Houston Baptist (Texas)/Point Loma Nazarene (Calif.)		
2006	Jackson, Tenn.	Union (Tenn.)	79-62	Lubbock Christian (Texas)	The Master's (Calif.)/Vanguard (Calif.)		
2007	Jackson, Tenn.	Lambuth (Tenn.)	63-50	Cumberland (Tenn.)	Union (Tenn.)/Vanguard (Calif.)		
2008	Jackson, Tenn.	Vanguard (Calif.)	72-59	Trevecca Nazarene (Tenn.)	Freed-Hardeman (Tenn.)/Union (Tenn.)		
2009	Jackson, Tenn.	Union (Tenn.)	73-63	Lambuth (Tenn.)	Oklahoma Baptist/Oklahoma City		
2010	Jackson, Tenn.	Union (Tenn.)	73-65	Azusa Pacific (Calif.)	Lee (Tenn.)/Oklahoma City		
2011	Jackson, Tenn.	Azusa Pacific (Calif.)	65-59	Union (Tenn.)	Shawnee State (Ohio)/Freed-Hardeman (Tenn.)		
2012	Frankfort, Ky.	Oklahoma City	69-48	Union (Tenn.)	Lubbock Christian (Texas)/Georgetown (Ky.)		
2013	Frankfort, Ky.	Westmont (Calif.)	71-65	Lee (Tenn.)	Cumberland (Tenn.)/Freed-Hardeman (Tenn.)		
2014	Frankfort, Ky.	Oklahoma City	80-76	Freed-Hardeman (Tenn.)	John Brown (Ark.)/Wiley (Texas)		
2015	Independence, Mo.	Oklahoma City	80-63	Campbellsville (Ky.)	Freed-Hardeman (Tenn.)/Westmont (Calif.)		
2016	Independence, Mo.	MidAmerica Nazarene	49-35	Baker (Kan.)	Benedictine (Kan.)/Pikeville (Ky.)		
2017	Billings, Mont.	Oklahoma City	73-66	Lewis Clarke State (Idaho)	Campbellsville (Ky.)/Vanguard (Calif.)		

Note The third-place game was eliminated after the 1988 championship. Since then, each losing semifinalist is credited with a third-place finish.