

MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH FOUNDATION, INC.

Arlington, Virginia

MINISTERIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

PURPOSE: The intent of this scholarship fund is to help defray the cost of obtaining a seminary education for persons intending to pursue full-time Christian ministry.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Applicants shall be U.S. citizens or legal residents
- Applicants should be in training or ready to enter training for career Christian ministry with the intention of serving as a minister or employed, faith leadership position in a Baptist church.
- Applicants shall affirm a belief in the Baptist Faith and Message Statement of 1963.

PROCESS: Each applicant must submit a complete application form to the Ministerial Scholarship Committee of the Memorial Baptist Church Foundation. Scholarships shall be awarded on an annual basis.

DUE DATE: Applications are accepted starting February 15 and **not later than May 15th**.

Recipients must maintain an academic standard of a GPA of 3 or better. **Each student receiving a grant shall furnish the Committee, within three weeks after each semester, a copy of the academic transcript for the previous semester.** No funds for the remainder of the applicant's grant will be sent until this requirement is met.

Any recipient who fails to serve as a minister in a Baptist Church upon completion of his or her education shall repay all moneys received, without interest, within a time period agreed to by the Committee.

EVALUATION CRITERIA: Applicants shall be evaluated based on academic record, work experience, participation in church life, financial need, and a personal statement. Applicants shall be considered in the following order: a) members of Memorial Baptist Church; b) Baptists residing in the NorthStar Church Network (formerly Mount Vernon); c) Baptists in the State of Virginia; and d) Baptists residing elsewhere in the U.S.

SUBMISSION: You may submit your application online or by mail.

- **Online** - Save your application file. Attach your application, personal statement and transcripts to an email with the subject line "Scholarship Committee" and send it to: foundation@memorialbaptistchurch.org
- **Mail** - Print your application. The send your application, personal statement and transcripts to:

Scholarship Committee
Memorial Baptist Church Foundation, Inc.
3455 North Glebe Road
Arlington, VA 22207-4399

PART I. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Personal Details:

Full Name: _____
(First, Middle, Last)

Address: _____
(Number, Street, Apt., City, State, ZIP)

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ U.S Citizen/Legal Resident: _____

Number of Dependents: _____

Church Membership:

Pastor's Name: _____

Church Name: _____

Address: _____
(Number, Street, Apt., City, State, ZIP)

Phone: _____

Approximate number of hours per week that you are involved in church activities and ministries:

Paid hours: _____ Volunteer hours: _____

Leadership Role: _____

College Details:

Have you attended college? _____

Note: If yes, please complete the following table:

Name of College	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Seminary Details:

Have you received a Memorial Foundation Scholarship before? _____

If so, when? _____

Seminary Name: _____
(To which tuition will be paid)

Address: _____
(Number, Street, Apt., City, State, ZIP)

Phone: _____ Full-time student? _____
(Financial Aid Office)

Dates you expect to be enrolled: _____
(e.g., Sep 2015 - May 2016)

Expected graduation date: _____

What degree are you pursuing? _____

PART II. PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please write a one to two-page personal biography essay.

E-mail with your application.

Note: It is important that you address **ALL** of the following questions in your essay:

- How you became a Christian
- What faith in Christ means to you
- How you came to realize a calling to the ministry
- Your recent involvement in church activities and ministries. In your biography explain in detail the work you are doing for your church and any positions you have held. Expound on why these ministries are significant to you. Be sure to provide information on any ministry-related internships you have had.
- How you believe your gifts might be used in God's service
- The type of ministry to which you currently feel led (pastorate, missionary service, youth ministry, music ministry, etc.)

PART III. WORK EXPERIENCE

Provide an overview of your work experience and/or supervisory positions held. The intent of this section is not to document your entire work history, but to describe some of the most important or fulfilling positions you have held, particularly those that helped prepare you for the ministry. Please include significant ministry related work even if it is volunteer.

Name of employer: _____

Address: _____

(Number, Street, Apt., City, State, ZIP)

Job Title: _____

Dates Employed: _____

Number of hours per week: _____

Duties Performed:

(Note: limit
explanation to text
box space if faxing or
mailing application)

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PART IV. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL NEED

Describe your financial situation and the importance of financial assistance:

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Personal Financials:

Consider your total available monthly income and your tuition and living expenses. What is your shortfall per month? _____

Current Non-Retirement Savings: _____

PART V. REFERENCES

List two personal references (not related to you):

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Relationship: _____

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Phone: _____

Relationship: _____

PART VI. Submission

Transcript:

Please email a copy of your most recent transcript with your application documents.

I certify that the information I have presented in this application is true and correct. Typing your name indicates your signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____