

FAITH Scholarship Foundation, Inc.

Funding Academic Involvement Transfusing Hope

PO BOX 1651

Valdosta, Georgia 31603-1651

Purpose of the Scholarship

To provide scholarships for men who desire to pursue a career in the ministry as preachers of the gospel in churches of Christ and women pursuing a Christian education at a Church of Christ affiliated college or university.

Award Amount

\$1,000.00

Scholarship Fund Guidelines

1. Scholarships will be awarded to qualified applicants who are members of the Church of Christ and have a high school diploma or a GED.
2. A letter of acceptance from an accredited Christian College/University, Bible Institute or School of Preaching must accompany the application.
3. A scholarship committee will screen all applications and send written notification to the winning applicant.
4. In the event there are no qualified male applicants in a particular year, scholarships may be awarded to a female who wishes to attend a Church of Christ affiliated Christian college or university.
5. If there are no qualified applicants, the scholarship will be carried over to the next year.
6. The scholarship will only be granted to active and faithful members of those congregations which are in good standing and have met the foundation's criteria for participation.

Applicant's Criteria

1. Applicants must be faithful and active in church affairs.

2. Applicants must be enrolling as a full-time student in a Christian college, university or school of preaching.
3. Applicants must be recommended by his/her minister, elder or a responsible church leader.
4. Applicants must submit application for scholarship by the date stated in the scholarship announcements for the year in which they are applying. Two letters of recommendation, with one being from the minister, elder, or church leader, must accompany the application as stated in criteria #3. The other letter must be from a non-relative.
5. A letter of acceptance from the school that applicant will be attending must accompany the application as well.
6. Applicant must have been an active member of his/her congregation for at least two years.

Guidelines for Scholarship Essay

1. The essay should center around the following questions:
 - a. **What prompted you to pursue preaching as a career?**
 - b. **What are your career goals?**
 - c. **And how will attending a Christian college, university, or seminary assist you in achieving those goals?**
2. Male applicants must address all three questions. Female applicants should address questions “b” and “c” only.
3. The length of the essay will be no less than 300 words, and no more than 500 words.
4. The essay must be type-written, double-spaced, and submitted on 8 1/2 x 11 inch white paper.
5. The essay will be accompanied by a cover sheet containing the following: student’s name, home address, age, grade, and school presently attending.

- 6 A check in the scholarship amount will be made payable to the student and the college the student plans to attend.
- 7 A statement will be required from the school and a counselor verifying that the student has made the necessary plans to attend college.
- 8 The essay and cover letter must be post marked to this office no later than the date printed on the application and sent to the following address:

FAITH Scholarship Foundation, Inc.
PO Box 1651, Valdosta, Georgia 31603-1651,
ATTN: Aretha Benson, Chairperson.
Email your questions to: ***WdLawn1@bellsouth.net***

The scholarship will be awarded in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the winner.

FAITH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Complete only those items that apply to you. Leave others blank.

I. Basic Information (Use black ink , type or print legibly.)

Name _____
 (Last, First, Middle)

Spouse's Name _____
 Last First Middle

Father's full name _____ Occupation _____

Mother's full name _____ Occupation _____

Home Address _____
 _____ Home Phone () _____

Date of Birth _____ Male _____ Female _____ Race _____

Name of congregation attending _____

How long have you been a member of this congregation? _____

II. Education

High School or College	City and State	Dates Attended
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

III. Community Involvement

Please include civic, religious, political, government, social, or other activities and your involvement in these activities.

Name of Group	Position Held	Period of Affiliation
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

IV. Activities During School Years

Educational Background

Activities, offices and recognition for special contribution

*** Please provide a copy of high school transcript or GED certification.

*** Please include a recent photo.

Freshman Students ONLY

Attach acceptance letter(s), transcript, counselor letter, cover letter, reference letters and essay to application. For Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors, please send a cover letter, reference letter and the essay.

I certify that the information provided on this application is complete and true to the best of my knowledge. If awarded the scholarship, I authorize the board to use a photo and biography for public relation purpose.

X _____ Date _____

Applicant's Signature

X _____ Date _____

Parents or legal guardian's signature

Application must be returned by **June 15th of the year of the conference**

Application should be mailed to: FAITH Scholarship Foundation, Inc. – P O Box 1651, Valdosta, Ga, 31603-1651