

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, in training or ready to enter training for full-time Christian ministry with the intention of serving as a minister 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 1 and **not later than May 15th**.

Recipients must maintain an academic standard of a GPA of 2.5 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.

PART II. PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please attach a one to two-page personal biography. *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 (include approximate number of hours per week – fill in here) **PAID**____(hrs. per week) **VOLUNTARY**____(hrs. per week). 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 internship/s 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. 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.

Name and address of employer: _____

Dates employed: _____ Number of hours per week _____

Job title and duties performed: _____

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PART IV. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL NEED

Describe your financial situation and the importance of financial assistance.

Projected monthly income while in seminary _____

Projected monthly non-tuition expenses while in seminary _____

Tuition cost per semester hour _____ Number of course hours planned per semester _____

Current Non-Retirement Savings _____

PART V. REFERENCES

List two personal references (not related to you):

Name _____ Phone _____

Relationship: _____

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Relationship: _____

PART VI. TRANSCRIPTS

ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR MOST RECENT TRANSCRIPT.

I certify that the information I have presented in this application is true and correct.

Signed _____ Date _____

Printed Name _____

Mail, fax or e-mail completed application to:
Scholarship Committee
Memorial Baptist Church Foundation, Inc.,
3455 North Glebe Road
Arlington, VA 22207-4399
(FAX Number—703-538-6861)
(E-mail address—admin@memorialbaptistchurch.org)

Mailed applications must be postmarked no later than May 15, 2011. Faxed or emailed applications must be submitted by 11:59 P.M May 15, 2011.