

# The Church of God by Faith Educational Scholarship Program

The Church of God by Faith (COGBF) Scholarship Program has been established to promote the continuing college/university education of graduating high school students. The scholarship program encourages students to pursue their higher education by supporting students financially and spiritually. **There will be two/three scholarships awarded per year.**

## **Minimum Qualifications:**

To be eligible, the applicant must:

- Be a high school senior who is an active member of COGBF whose life reflects that of holiness and upholds the moral standards of the church.

## **Selection Criteria:**

Applicants will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Academic performance
  - Current overall grade point average **must be at least a B (3.0)**
- Church participation
  - Must faithfully serve in the local church
- Service
  - Actively involved in ministry, outreach and community service

## **Application Requirements**

Applicants must submit the following:

- A complete application form (see attached)
- An essay (300-word minimum/500-word maximum) addressing why it is important to continue your education.
  - Indicate career aspirations, future goals, financial need and statement of faith (What role does God play in your life? What does a Christ-like life mean to you?)
- An official high school transcript

- **Two** letters of recommendation from local Pastor and High School Principal, Guidance Counselor or Teacher.

**Scholarship Recipients:**

1. Submit supporting documentation of enrollment as a full-time student (at least 12 credit hours per semester) into an accredited college or university i.e. letter of acceptance.
2. Will receive a check for the first semester in the amount of \$1250.00 upon proof of enrollment as a full-time student Fall 2012. The check will be made payable to the school for use by the student. The scholarship monies may be used for books, supplies, fees, meals, and tuition or dorm expenses.
3. Must maintain an overall 3.0 GPA to receive an additional \$1250.00 for the Spring 2013 Semester. A copy of the grades from the first semester and the second semester schedule will be required to receive the check for the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester.
4. Must maintain full compliance with all requirements.

**The deadline for submitting application requirements is March 31, 2012.**

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## Application Form

(Please complete and return no later than March 31, 2012.)

### Section I. Personal Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Section II. School Information

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_ G.P.A.: \_\_\_\_\_

Program of high school study (college prep, vocational, if other please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

College(s) or University(ies) accepted and/or applied to: \_\_\_\_\_

Major field of study: \_\_\_\_\_

List school achievements/honors/awards/scholarships


### Section III. Church Information

Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
City and State: \_\_\_\_\_  
District \_\_\_\_\_  
Pastor \_\_\_\_\_  
Member since: \_\_\_\_\_

#### List church activities (include roles/positions held)


### Section IV. Community Service

List community and personal activities (include community organizations, volunteer activities)


### Section V. Financial Need

Is financial need a major reason for applying for a scholarship? Please explain. (You may attach a statement if space is not sufficient)


## Section VI. Essay

Please complete and attach an essay (300-word minimum/500-word maximum) that discusses the following:

- Career objectives/goals
- Future aspirations
- Explain how your faith plays a part in your future within COGBF organization.
- Financial need (how will this scholarship benefit you)

## Section VII. Letters of Recommendation (include two letters, one of which **must** be from your local pastor)

### *Applicant's Signature*

I certify that I have filled out the above application completely and truthfully and to the best of my knowledge. I understand that this application is not complete until official transcripts and typewritten essay have been submitted.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

*Thank you for completing and submitting this application for Educational Scholarships awarded by the Church of God by Faith. Your application will receive full attention.*

### **Return Applications by March 31, 2012 to:**

***Church of God by Faith National Office  
2409 Old Middleburg N.  
Jacksonville, Florida 32210***

**ATTENTION: Scholarship Committee**

# ***Scholarship Check List***

*Before mailing please be sure to include the following:*

*Check (✓)*

<b>1. Application</b> <i>(be sure to include)</i>	
Scholastic Achievement	
Church Participation	
Community Service	
Financial Need	
<b>2. Essay</b> <i>(Typed)</i>	
<b>3. Letters of Recommendation</b>	
<b>4. Transcripts</b>	