SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH 185 EDDIE ROBINSON SR. DRIVE BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70802

CHARLES & WINSTONIA MCKESSON SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Dear Applicant:

The Scholarship Committee of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church invites you to apply for the **Charles & Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial** scholarship that will be awarded in **June** of this year. The scholarship is awarded based on grade point average, church/school/club participation, economic need, letter of recommendation from teacher/school/principal, essay on what the church means to you, and application typed and neatly completed.

Please complete your application on-line. Applications can be found on Shiloh's web site at <u>www.shilohbr.com</u>. Please email your application to <u>jliones@shilohmbc.com</u>, or mail to 185 Eddie Robinson Sr. Dr., Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802 before the deadline. Applications will be distributed Sunday April 21, 2024 thru Sunday May 19, 2024. Please write on the envelope, Attention: Rev. Jennifer Jones, Scholarship Committee Chairperson.

If you have any questions, please contact any one of the persons listed below.

Rev. Jennifer Jones, Chairperson <u>jljones@shilohmbc.com</u> 225-343-0640

Ms. Jackie Williams jwilliams@shilohmbc.com 225-388-9998

Enclosure

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STEPS THAT NEED YOUR ATTENTION

- 1. Please fill out every blank in your scholarship application. This includes complete addresses and zip codes. Incomplete applications will be penalize 10 points. Handwritten applications will be penalized 10 points.
- 2. Please submit a transcript along with application on or before <u>May 19, 2024</u> to verify your grade point average.
- 3. Complete required 200-250 word, double-spaced essay. Essays are evaluated for content and quality of writing (spelling, grammar, punctuation).
- Applications must be returned by Sunday, May 19, 2024 to the Scholarship Mailbox in a sealed envelope, via email jljones@shilohmbc.com or mail to: 185 Eddie Robinson Sr. Dr., Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802. Attn: Rev. Jennifer Jones. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- 5. Be sure to circle the total income of the entire household. If you do not circle an answer, you will <u>not</u> receive any points in this category.
- 6. On the application, indicate the total number of persons in the household supported by parents/guardians/applicant and/or spouse, if applicable.
- 7. All letters of recommendation must be signed by the teacher/school principal, Sunday school/Bible study teacher, pastor, or his/her pastor's designee or ministry leader to be accepted.
- 8. Please include a *current* or preferably *graduation* photo of applicant, when submitting your application.

CHARLES & WINSTONIA MCKESSON SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

I. OVERVIEW

Rev. Charles T. Smith implemented the Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial Scholarship program in 1986. A scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00 was awarded. A scholarship committee appointed by the pastor administers the program.

II. DUTIES OF COMMITTEE

- A. To set up guidelines governing the scholarship program.
- B. To design instruments for evaluating applicants in an objective manner.
- C. To annually publicize the Winstonia McKesson Smith scholarship program.
- D. To annually select a recipient based on a set of objective criteria.
- E. To periodically evaluate the Charles & Winstonia McKesson Smith scholarship program.

III. FINANCING OF PROGRAM

Money is generated from the Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial Fund that was set up by the Rev. Charles T. Smith Family. This scholarship has been changed to the Charles & Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial Scholarship is funded by Pastor Fred Jeff Smith and Attorney Sonceree Smith Clark.

IV. AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Beginning in 2014, the amount of the scholarship was increased from \$3,000.00. In June 2019, Rev. Fred Jeff Smith & Atty. Sonceree Smith Clark implemented the Charles & Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial Scholarship & increased the amount to \$6,000.00.

V. REQUIREMENTS OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

- *A.* <u>Must</u> be a member of a Christian Church for at least one year as evidenced by a letter from the pastor/designee.
- *B.* <u>*Must*</u> be a certified college junior, senior or graduate student as evidenced by an official transcript.
- *C.* <u>Must have a grade point average of at least</u> **2.5** GPA as evidenced by an official transcript.

VI. GUIDELINES FOR AWARDING SCHOLARSHIP

- *A.* All interested persons must fill out an application and submit it to the scholarship committee by a deadline set by the committee.
- B. An official transcript for the last two semesters must accompany the application.
- C. Letters are emailed to ministry leaders requesting information on each applicant for verification.

- D. After all information is back, the committee meets to determine the recipient of the scholarship.
- *E.* The committee evaluates each applicant based on a set of criteria previously adopted by the committee. The criteria are attached.
- *F.* Other than the grade point average, the information reported on the applications are classified as being true.
- *G.* After points are totaled for each applicant, the applicant's name and their total points are listed and the recipient is announced. No committee member can determine the recipient until an applicant's points have been totaled.
- *H.* The name of the scholarship recipient is withheld until the Sunday that the scholarship is awarded.
- *I.* The recipient of the scholarship may collect the scholarship upon presentation of verification that he/she is accepted in school.
- *J.* If a ministry/auxiliary has only been in existence for six (6) months or less, it will <u>not</u> be considered for that year.
- *K.* Must exhibit active church participation (recommendation letters from pastor or his/her designee, teacher/school principal and/or ministry leaders).
- L. A recipient of a Charles Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial Scholarship cannot apply again; however, an applicant who did not win may reapply the following year. NOTE, an applicant cannot apply for or be awarded more than one scholarship per year that is administered by the Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church!
- M. A member of the Shiloh Scholarship Committee may apply for the Charles & Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial Scholarship; however, he/she may not participate in the evaluation process.

VII. PROCEDURE FOR BREAKING TIES

In case of a tie, the person with the greatest economic need would be declared the recipient. If this is the same, the person who is more actively involved in church work will come before the other. If everything is the same, the committee will vote to break the tie and the recipient will be given 1 point.

VIII. PENALTIES

- A. Incomplete applications will be penalized ten points.
- B. Handwritten applications will be penalized ten points.

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CHARLES & WINSTONIA MCKESSON SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE SUBMIT A CURRENT TRANSCRIPT On or Before May 19, 2024.

DIRECTIONS: This application must be <u>typed</u>. All sections must be completed. Type N/A if question does not apply.

INDICATE YOUR STATUS: (circle one) COLLEGE JUNIOR

COLLEGE SENIOR

GRADUATE STUDENT

Name	Email Address			
Home Address	Zip code		P	Phone
Birthdate	Sex	Marita	l Status	
Your Grade Point Average:				
Name of University Attending				
Expected Graduation Date				
Father/Guardian Name			_Living	Deceased
Mother/Guardian Name			_Living	Deceased
Do you live with both parents?	If not,	with whom?		
Total number supported by parents	or guardi	an	(inc	cluding parents)
<u>For Married Applicants</u> Spouse's Name				
<i>Of what church are you a member?</i>				
Pastor's Name				
Address		Zip Code_	Pho	ne

 When did you join church? Month ______Year____

 Church Auxiliaries/Ministries in which you are or have been active in the last year. Be sure to include Sunday school and/or Bible Study. If additional space is needed, please attach a *separate sheet.* (8 points)

Auxiliary/Ministry	Sponsor or President			

Include letter from sponsor or ministry leader that can attest to how active you have been in an auxiliary/ministry in the last year. (7 points)

List school and community clubs/organizations in which you have been active in the last year. If additional space is needed, please attach a separate sheet. (8 points)

Club/Organization(s)

List awards that you have received in the last year. (7 points) Awards

Essay

Indicate in essay form (200-250 words), double-spaced, how the church has been or is an influential factor in your life. Also, indicate how you expect to use the church's teaching in your future life. <mark>(Attach separate sheet)</mark> (20 points)

Letter of Recommendation

Attach letter of recommendation from your pastor or his/her designee. Letter must be on church letterhead. <mark>(Attach separate sheet)</mark> (10 points)

Total number supported by parents or guardian (including self)_____

Total number supported by applicant ______ and or spouse______ (include self)

Applicant's income (if any)_____

To certify that the information given on this application is true and correct to the best of your knowledge, please sign below:

Your signature	Date
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THIS SECTION IS TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PARENT, GUARDIAN AND/OR APPLICANT.

Combined income of entire household. (Circle One) You must circle one in order to qualify for points.

Under		\$10,000		\$50,001 -	\$60,000
\$10,001	-	\$20,000		\$60,001 -	\$70,000
\$20,001	-	\$30,000		\$70,001 -	\$80,000
\$30,001	-	\$40,000		\$80,001 -	\$90,000
\$40,001	-	\$50,000		\$90,000 -	\$100,000
			\$100,001 - Above		

Attest:

I hereby certify that this information is true, accurate and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I will cooperate with the committee's effort to verify the information if it becomes necessary.

Parents/Guardians Signature	Date
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THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Fred Jeff Smith, Pastor Mrs. Betty Fisher Mrs. Je'ne Jones Mrs. Thelma Jones Dr. Betty Kennedy Mrs. Carmen Victorian Ms. Iris Walker, Secretary Mrs. Tonya Young

Rev. Jennifer Jones, Director of Charitable Foundation

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EVALUATION SHEET

APPLICANT	<i>DATE</i>
Number of Points	Received
<i>I</i> .	EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND (Maximum 10 points) Grade Point Average
	2.5 - 2.9 4 pts
	3.0 - 3.4 6 pts
	3.5 - 3.7 8 pts
	3.8 - 4.0 10 pts
<i>II.</i>	CHURCH AND SCHOOL/COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION (Maximum 30 points) A. Church (15 points) 1. Letter from church sponsor (7 points total) 2. Ministry activities (8 points total, 1 point each)
	 B. School/Community (15 points) 1. Club participation in the last year (8 points total) 2. Awards in the last year (7 points total)
III.	ECONOMIC NEED (Maximum 30 points) Determined by scale based on income and number of dependents
IV.	APPLICATION COMPLETE AND NEATLY SUBMITTED (Maximum 5 points)
V.	 PERSONAL STATEMENTS (Maximum 30 points) A. Letter of Recommendation from pastor or his/her designee (10 points) B. Essay (20 points)
VI.	LESS PENALTIES Incomplete Application (10 points) Handwritten Application (10 points)

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ECONOMIC NEED SCALE

INCOME	<i>DEPENDENTS</i>			'S	
	1	2-3	4-5	6-7	8 or more
Below 10,000	30	30	30	30	30
10,001 - 20,000	29	29	30	30	30
20,001 - 30,000	27	28	30	30	30
30,001 - 40,000	25	27	29	30	30
40,001 - 50,000	23	26	28	30	30
50,001 - 60,000	21	25	27	30	30
60,001 - 70,000	19	24	26	30	30
70,001 - 80,000	17	23	25	29	30
80,001 - 90,000	15	22	24	28	30
90,001 -100,000	13	21	23	27	29
100,001 - Above	12	20	22	26	29