# American Baptist Men's Ministries of West Virginia



# Scholarship Program Application Packet

\*\* The amount of scholarships awarded and the number of recipients will vary from year to year, depending on funding availability.

> Applications will be accepted February 15 – April 30, 2025

# SCHOLARSHIP/LOAN PROGRAM

#### **PROGRAM EXPLANATION**

- Applications for a scholarship shall be valid for a period of one year and must be made yearly by April 30th.
- > Scholarships will not be available for graduate work or part-time studies.
- Announcement of the scholarship recipients, as recommended by the Scholarship Committee, will be made at the spring board meeting for the approval of the Executive Board of American Baptist Men's Ministries of West Virginia.
- The amount of the annual scholarship shall be approved by the Executive Board and may be awarded for a maximum period of four years. A new application must be submitted each year.
- Scholarship money for each young man is sent directly to the awardee at the beginning of the term or semester to be credited to his account.
- Should the beneficiary of a scholarship desire at any time and for any reason to withdraw from school or transfer, he shall give immediate notice of his intention to the Coordinator for Scholarship.
- > All schools chosen for training must be accredited schools.
- In addition to the initial application, recipients should communicate at least once annually with the Coordinator of Scholarship.
- Unsatisfactory academic achievement of less than a 2.5 grade point average or substantiated improper conduct will result in the disqualification of an applicant the following year.
- If a young man decides to leave the West Virginia Baptist Convention Churches in order to affiliate with another denomination while receiving scholarship money, he will not be eligible to apply the following school year.

#### **APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS**

- > Applicants must:
  - a. Be a member of a West Virginia Baptist Convention Church for at least one year prior to his application;
  - b. Be an active participant in his church program;
  - c. Be a high school graduate;
  - d. Submit a transcript of his grades from the last school attended in order to demonstrate scholastic ability and deportment;
  - e. Apply directly to the Coordinator of Scholarship;
  - f. Secure the written endorsement of the pastor of his church, which said endorsement must be received by the Coordinator of Scholarship no later than March 1<sup>st</sup> or included in the applicant's application packet;
  - g. Submit a letter/essay on a personal reflection of his life;
  - h. Secure character reference letters (see application checklist for letter specifics) from two citizens of the community other than relations, which said references must be received by the Coordinator of Scholarship no later than April 30th or included in the applicant's application packet.

#### **EXPENSES**

When asked to attend specific functions by the Executive Board, Scholarship young men will be reimbursed as designated by the Scholarship Committee.

#### APPLICATION PROCESS

<u>Please print all application packet documents; complete questionnaire forms, attach letters of recommendation (unless they were mailed directly to the Coordinator) and send by United States mail to Coordinator, (address below). Keep a copy of all documents for your records.</u>

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Application with accompanying documents must be in the hands of the State Coordinator by April 30th.

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#### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION AMERICAN BAPTIST MEN'S MINISTRIES OF WV

(Information is confidential and shared with a small committee only)

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FULL NAME:		
HOME ADDRESS		
PARENTS/GUARDIANS NAMES AND ADDRESSES:		
PHONE:CELL PHONE:	F-MAII ·	
I PRESENTLY LIVE WITHPARENTSGRAND		
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ARE YOU AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF A WV BAPTIST C	ONVENTION CHURCH?	YESNO
CHURCH NAME AND ADDRESS:		
PASTOR'S NAME:	ASSOCIATION:	
GRADUATE OF COLLEGE/TRADE SCHOOL I PLAN TO ATTEND:		
COLLEGE YEAR:		
CHOSEN VOCATION:		
WHERE DO YOU PLAN TO LIVE WHILE IN SCHOOL:		
DO YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF FINANCIALLY D	EPENDENT OR INDEPENDE	<b>NT</b> OF YOUR PARENTS
(Dependent – par	ents or guardians provide mos	st of your financial suppo
Independent - support self in some way such as job, so	cial security benefits, etc.)	
EXPLAIN:		

# AMERICAN BAPTIST MEN'S MINISTRIES OF WV SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

# \*\*\* Application packet must be received by Scholarship Coordinator by <u>April 30</u><sup>th</sup>.

# **Application packet must include:**

# Completed Application

**\_\_\_\_ Grade Transcript** (for the Two Most Recently Completed Semesters)

#### <u>Pastor/College Spiritual Letter Endorsement Letter</u> Containing:

- a. Church membership verification;
- b. Level and type of church activities;
- c. Individual characteristics;
- d. Scholarship recommendation;
- e. Any other information that would help us to determine scholarship selection.

### Applicant's Personal Reflection of His Life Two letters of Character Reference and Recommendations Including:

- a. Writer's relationship to the applicant;
- b. Length of time writer has known applicant;
- c. Personality traits;
- d. Ability to handle responsibility;
- e. Relationships with others;
- f. Recommendation for scholarship;
- g. Any other information that would help us to determine scholarship selection.
- h. Letter must be signed and include position, if applicable, of writer.

# **Date Application Packet was Mailed:**