



2009 Scholarship Application

NATIONAL BAPTIST
CONGRESS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



Dr. R. B. Holmes, Jr., President

Auxiliary of the

National Baptist Convention, USA, INC.
Dr. William J. Shaw, President

NATIONAL BAPTIST SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Mrs. Pansy R. King, Chairperson
Dr. Linda T. Fortenberry, Co-Chairperson
Dr. Charles Smith, Advisor



**Application Due to Local/District
Moderator by September 15, 2008**

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**Timeline Tasks for 2008 Scholarship Applications
National Baptist Scholarship Program**

Task	Date	Person Responsible
National Distribution of Scholarship Applications Annual June Congress	June 19, 2007	National Scholarship Committee
Distribution of Scholarship Applications To Congress Presidents and Delegates	June 20, 2008	National Scholarship Committee

**Note: Congress Presidents and delegates are asked
To distribute copies of the applications to moderators,
Pastors and youth leaders in their various state associations**

Application due to local district/moderator	September 15, 2008	Applicant
Local district committee selects one (1)* Application to forward to state Congress President	October 15, 2008	Local District Moderator
State committee selects one (1)* application To forward to Congress Regional Vice-President (See list in this packet.)	November 15, 2008	State Congress President
Regional Vice-Presidents forward Applications from each region to Scholarship Committee: c/o Mrs. Pansy R. King, Chairperson 29 Newfield Street E. Orange, New Jersey 07017	December 15, 2008	Congress Regional Vice-Presidents
Scholarship Applications Reviewed	January, 2009	National Scholarship Committee Mid-Winter Board
Winners Notified	March 15, 2009	National Scholarship Committee
Scholarships Presented	June 18, 2009	National Baptist Congress of Christian Education

***NOTE: District and State should submit 1 application only! Only one applicant will be accepted from a state convention. Submission of more than one will disqualify both applications!**

Guidelines for Completing Scholarship Applications

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- A. All interested persons must complete an application and submit the application packet to the local/district association moderator on or before the prescribed deadline set by the National Scholarship Committee
- B. All applications must include an official high school or college transcript. An affidavit with the applicant's GPA will be acceptable.
- C. Applicants must submit **three** (3) letters of recommendation.
 - a) One letter of recommendation must be from the local pastor.
 - b) One letter of recommendation must be from the Youth Director, Sunday School Superintendent, or person within the church leadership who knows the spiritual stewardship of the applicant.
 - c) The third letter of recommendation may be from anyone (other than a relative) i.e., teacher, guidance counselor, principal, etc.

All letters of recommendations must be included with the application.

- D. The applicant must type or computer scan all applications (no written applications will be accepted.)
Please check the NBCUSA website for availability of application
- E. Incomplete applications will **not** be considered for evaluation.
- F. Every blank in the scholarship application must be completed. This includes complete addresses and zip codes. If a particular portion of the application does not apply to the applicant, N/A should be placed on the blank.
- G. On the sheet listing the church and community related activities, please be specific with names of activities, dates and places.
- H. Applications must be postmarked no later than midnight of the deadline indicated.
- I. On the application, indicate the total number of persons supported by parents or guardians, including applicant.
- J. On the application, indicate the total number of persons supported by applicant and/or spouse, if applicable.
- K. On the application, provide the total income of the entire household (parents, guardians, spouse and/or applicant).

All completed applications should be 1) mailed to: Association Moderator, for signature, who will 2) forward application to state Congress President, for signature, who will 3) forward application to the Region Vice President, for signature, who will 4) mail to Mrs. Pansy R. King – 29 Newfield Street – East Orange, NJ NOTE: **All signatures must be on application.**

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Application Cover Sheet

Student's Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone () _____ E-Mail _____

Date of Birth Month _____ Date _____ Year _____

Student's Church _____

Church Address _____ Telephone () _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Pastor _____ Telephone () _____

District Association _____

Name of District President/Moderator _____

Name of State Convention _____

Name of State Congress President _____ Telephone () _____

Name of the State Convention President _____

Signature of Student's Pastor _____

Date

Signature of District Moderator _____

_____ Date

State Congress President's Signature _____

_____ Date

(Congress) Regional Vice-President's Signature _____

_____ Date

Application Information Sheet

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REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

(Applicants must meet all of the requirements to meet eligibility requirements.)

Applicant may be a high school senior or presently attending college, vocational school, or seminary as a full time student.

The scholarship applicant:

- A. Must be a member of a church that is currently registered with the Convention and the Congress of Christian Education
- B. Must be a prospective high school graduate in the year of application or currently enrolled in an accredited undergraduate college/university, vocational, or seminary program
- C. Must use funds for undergraduate studies
- D. Must have a grade point average (G.P.A.) of at least 2.0
- E. Must be a full time student and/or present documentation of registration as a full time student
- F. Must be a member in good standing of a church that has registered in the last session of the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education (Please provide proof of registration with application)
- G. Must have attended Christian Education classes (Sunday School and/or Bible Study) in the local church
- H. Must participate in the overall life of the church
- I. Must participate in a community activity

PROCEDURES/POLICY

- A. The committee will evaluate each state applicant based on a set of criteria adopted by the committee.
- B. Other than grade point averages, the information reported on the application is classified as being true. Designated points are given for Educational Background, Church Participation, Economic Need, Community Participation and Neatly Submitted Applications.
- C. One semifinalist will be selected from each state congress.
- D. A \$5,000 scholarship will be awarded to a student from each of the five regions in the National Baptist Convention. Additionally, a sixth scholarship will be awarded to a student selected by President William J. Shaw. The names of the scholarship recipients will be withheld until the National Congress of Christian Education scholarships are awarded at the annual June Congress.
- E. Scholarships will be awarded in four yearly increments, provided the students maintain the original eligibility criteria.
- F. Letters of recommendation must be included with the scholarship application
- G. All applications must be typed or computer scanned.
- H. Faxes will not be accepted.

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Father's Name _____ Mother's Name _____

Address _____

Occupation/Title _____

Where Employed _____

List the name(s) of all brothers and sisters, including those living at home and away attending school.

Name	Age	Grade	Name	Age	Grade
1. _____	_____	_____	5. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	6. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	7. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	8. _____	_____	_____

List the names of other dependents living with the family and mention any unusual circumstances regarding them.

In the chart below, describe exactly how you plan to finance your education and the amounts which will be available to you.

<u>Available From</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Applied</u>	<u>Amount Awarded</u>
Supplemental Education			
Grants (i.e. State, Pell, etc.)			
1.			
2.			
3.			
Loans (i.e. Perkins, Stafford, etc.)			
1.			
2.			
3.			
Your Savings			
Other (name) Family Contributions			
Total			

Total Yearly Family Income Father _____ Mother _____ Other _____ TOTAL _____
 Church/Denominational Participation _____

In the space below, discuss what are your *alternatives* should you *not* receive scholarships of grants.

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In the space below, list the various types of church and church related activities in church you are involved.

Name of Activity	Years of Participation	Office(s) Held

Church	
Pastor	
Name of local Association	
Moderator of Association	
Name of State Congress President	
Name of State Convention	
State Convention President	

In the space provided below, list any activities not previously mentioned (i.e. part-time employment, volunteer work and number of hours per week engaged in the endeavor, etc.) Use an additional sheet if necessary.

On the sheet provided, write an essay, not exceeding 300 words. Tell us something about your life experiences, your future goals, and any other information that may be helpful to the Scholarship Committee in assessing your application.

I agree to accept the decision of the National Scholarship Committee in regards to this scholarship application.

Type Name _____

Signature _____ Date Submitted _____

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Essay Sheet (Must be typed or computer scanned.)

Write an essay of three hundred (300) words or less. Tell us something about your life experiences, your future goals, and any other information that may be helpful to the Scholarship Committee in assessing your application.

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Letter of Recommendation

Applicant _____ Reference _____

This applicant has applied for a scholarship from the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., Congress of Christian Education's National Scholarship Program. Based on your knowledge of the applicant, please provide statements about the character of the applicant as well as your impressions of his/her ability to succeed in a college, vocational or seminary program. Please return the letter to the applicant. He/she will include it with his/her application.

Signature of Preparer _____ Date _____

Please give your full name, title and mailing address.

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Completed scholarship applications must be received by the regional vice president prior to November 15, 2008.

REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENTS
Charles T. Smith - Vice President At Large (advisor)
Shiloh Baptist Church
185 Eddie Robinson Sr. Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Northeast

Dr. James S. Allen
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Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia

Southwest

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Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Texas

Mid-West

Dr. Jimmy L. Brown
St. Luke Memorial Missionary Baptist Church
3619 Finney Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63113

Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Wisconsin, W. Virginia and Minnesota

West

Dr. John A. Reed, Jr.
Fairview Missionary Baptist Church
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Oklahoma City, OK 73117

Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Kansas, Nevada, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Utah and Washington

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*Advisor: Dr. Charles T. Smith (LA), Vice-President-At-Large,
NBCUSA, Inc. Congress of Christian Education*

Technical Assistance: Applicants, local/district moderators, and state Congress Presidents may contact the Chairperson, Mrs. Pansy R. King or the Co-Chairperson, Dr. Linda T. Fortenberry, for clarification of any questions related to policy and procedures for completing the applications.

All Completed forms should be mailed by Regional Vice Presidents to the chairperson:
National Scholarship Committee
C/O Mrs. Pansy R. King,
Scholarship Chairperson
29 Newfield Street
East Orange, NJ 07017-5410