NEW MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor, Gerry T. Anderson

NMBC 2025 ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP HIGH SCHOOL/COLLEGE

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PURPOSE

New Macedonia Baptist Church, with support of the Pastor and Official Boards of the Church, has established an annual Scholarship Fund. The Scholarship Fund is designed to provide financial support to college bound **graduating high school students and current college students up to age 24**, pursuing undergraduate degrees while seeking to fulfill their educational endeavors to achieve their lifetime goals and dreams.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

New Macedonia Baptist Church will award scholarships to (NMBC) graduating High School Seniors and current College Students on *Sunday*, *July 27*, *2025*. Potential scholarship recipients must submit an application, essay, and other documentation to the Selection Committee by **Sunday**, **June 1**, **2025**.

Students must make an oral presentation on a topic assigned by the committee. Please note there is a lifetime maximum of three scholarship awards per person.

SELECTION PROCESS

Members of the Selection Committee shall select recipients by unanimous vote based on the submission and selection criteria. Applications from potential recipients must be received by the established deadline.

Application packages must be submitted to Reverend Deborah Dillard via email: revdd@bellsouth.net or dropped off at the church in a sealed envelope, marked Scholarship Committee.

SUBMISSION CRITERIA

Scholarship applicants must submit the following information:

- Scholarship Application
- Essay and Oral Presentation

Exodus 23:20 – 21, ²⁰ "See, I am sending an angel before you to protect you on your journey and lead you safely to the place I have prepared for you. ²¹ Pay close attention to him and obey his instructions. Do not rebel against him, for he is my representative, and he will not forgive your rebellion." (NLT)

Please answer the following questions in your essay and oral presentation. It's imperative that you stay focused on the above topic. *Please do not come to your appointed oral presentation time unprepared*.

- 1. Explain this scripture.
- 2. What place is God preparing for you?
- 3. What are some ways you may rebel?

- 4. Explain what calling on the name of the Lord does for us.
- 5. What does it mean to say the name of the Lord is a *strong tower*?
- a. Essay must be 500 to 750 words,
- b. Typed format using a computer, typewriter, or similar means,
- c. Double-spaced
- d. Font size twelve (12)
- e. Oral Presentation will be 4 to 7 minutes in length.

 Presented on Thursday, May 22, 2025, from 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
- f. Please contact Rev. Dillard (404-403-4483) to schedule an appointment.
- g. Oral Presentations will be done on ZOOM. You will receive an invitation by email to attend the meeting.
- Four letters of recommendation: One letter must be from a Teacher, Professor, or Administrator/High School Counselor. One letter from a member of NMBC (not from the Pastor, Youth Pastor, Christian Education Minister or Scholarship Committee). One letter from a NMBC ministry in which you are involved. One letter from a non-relative or employer. All letters must be dated within 60 days of the deadline.
- Verification of Community Service for the current year (i.e., letter, awards, etc.).
- Certified copy of High School or College Transcripts.
- Original acceptance letter from the college or institute of higher learning (High School Students) (i.e. Technical, Trade or Vocational School).
- Proof of class schedule. (College Students)
- A confirmation of your College Enrollment Schedule is needed prior to NMBC releasing scholarship check. All checks will be mailed to the school.
- Please provide Financial Aid Representative Name and Address (where the check should be sent). Please include your student ID number.
- (ATTN: Please allow 10 days for delivery of check after above information is received.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The following criteria in addition to the submission criteria will be used to select scholarship recipients:

• Applicant must be an active member of the New Macedonia Baptist Church.

- Applicant must submit "OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT." No exceptions!
- Applicant must have an **Overall GPA of at least 2.5** on a 4.0 grading scale.
- Applicant must provide <u>verification of acceptance</u> to future school (i.e., college, vocation, etc.) or <u>verification of college</u> <u>registration</u>.
- Applicants must have taken either the SAT or ACT Test, if required by the school or college.
- Applicants must be registered as a full-time student.
- Applicant must document involvement in church, community, extracurricular, or other volunteer related activities for *current year*.
- Applicant must provide documentation of church, leadership, and/or community awards for *current year*.
- Applicant must be in good standing with the school with no discipline problems (must be verified with school Counselor or Administrator).
- The essay will be evaluated based on thought organization, grammar, punctuation, spelling, and the applicant's ability to follow instructions (i.e., word count, etc.).
- The oral presentation will be evaluated based on the applicant's subject matter knowledge, presentation style, ability to make eye contact with the audience, and ability to follow instructions (i.e., within time limits).
- IF YOU DO NOT DO AN ORAL PRESENTATION, YOU ARE AUTOMATICALLY DISQUALIFIED. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

DEADLINES

The deadline for submitting ALL information including the application, transcript, essay, and letters of recommendation is Sunday, June 1, 2025. (All documents must be submitted at the same time.)

Do not submit your class schedule and other information needed for the

<u>disbursement of funds until after the announcement of scholarship recipients.</u>

COORDINATION WITH SCHOOL COUNSELORS AND ADMINISTRATORS

When appropriate, the Selection Committee shall coordinate and verify information from applicants.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

There will be three scholarships per High School and per College.

Coordinator for the Scholarship Funds: Reverend Deborah Dillard, Christian Education Minister, 404-403-4483. Email: revdd@bellsouth.net

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2025 SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

(Please type or print legibly in black i	nk)	
Name: First	Middle	Last
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Email:		<u> </u>
Home Telephone:		
Cell Number:		<u></u>
Church or Community Involver	nent and Activities	
List Church or Commun	ity Activities of Current Year	
List Church or Commun	ity Awards <mark>Current</mark> Year	

Note: Written credentials are required for any Activities and Awards received.)	
chool Information and Activities	
Name of School	
Counselor or Administrator	
	Telephone Number
	Current GPA
List Honors or Awards	
List School Activities	
List School Activities	

Explain Future Plans				
If you need additional space, please continue on a	separate sheet of paper.			
(Note: Written credentials are required for any Activities and Awards received.) Certification/Release of Information				
I certify that the information provided is correapplicant, I authorize you to contact my school of purpose of verifying the information I submitted is scholarship recipient, I agree and authorize the relephone number and address, to publicize the average of the scholarship recipient.	ficials, counselor, or administrator for the n my scholarship package. If selected as release of my personal information exce			
I understand that if I am selected as a scholarshipaid by New Macedonia Baptist Church to the documentation of my enrollment and class requarter. I also understand the fund allocation of the Scholarship Committee and all definitions.	e school of my choice. I must submaistration for the upcoming semester of the Scholarship Awards will be made at the			
BOTH SIGNATURES REQUIRED:				
Applicant's Signature (NMBC member only)	Date			

Please initial completed items within your application packet:

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	STUDENT /			
	PARENT /	SELECTION		
CATEGORIES	GUARDIAN	COMMITTEE	REMARKS	
Application				
Written Essay				
Oral Presentation Date				
1st Letter – School				
2 nd Letter – NMBC				
3 rd Letter – NMBC				
4 th Letter – Other				
Transcript(s)				
Community Service Present documentation of events				
Acceptance Letter				

Submit to: Rev. Deborah Dillard (revdd@bellsouth.net) or drop off at church in a sealed envelope, marked Scholarship Committee.