

**WINSTONIA MCKESSON SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
185 EDDIE ROBINSON SR. DRIVE
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70802**

Dear Applicant:

The Scholarship Committee of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church invites you to apply for the **Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial** scholarship that will be awarded in June of this year. The scholarship is awarded based on scholastic average, church participation, and financial need. We assure you that each applicant will be given equal consideration.

We encourage you to fill out the enclosed application completely and return it in the enclosed envelope by Wednesday, **May 8, 2019**. **Please enclose a copy of your transcript. (Please do not send originals). Incomplete applications will be penalized 10 points. Hand-written applications will be penalized 10 points.**

In order to receive this scholarship, you must be a certified college junior, senior or a graduate student and have **a grade point average of at least 2.5**. Upon the presentation of your receipt that confirms your registration, a check will be issued to you.

Thank you kindly for applying for the **Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial** scholarship. Remember the deadline for returning applications is Wednesday, **May 8, 2019**.

Applications for these scholarships may be picked up in the Charitable Foundation Office April 7, 2019 through April 30, 2019. The deadline to return applications is May 8, 2019. Applications can be found on Shiloh's web site at www.shilohbr.com. Please email your application to bkenne3@outlook.com, place in the Scholarship Mailbox in a sealed envelope in the church office, or mail to P. O. Box 80025, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70898-0025 before the deadline. Please write on the envelope, Attention: Dr. Betty Kennedy, Scholarship Committee Chairperson.

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

Dr. Betty Kennedy, Chairperson
225-927-5513
Bkenne3@outlook.com

Mrs. Iris Walker, Secretary
225-939-0468

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 lose 10 points. Handwritten applications will be penalized 10 points.
2. Please submit a **transcript on or before May 31, 2019 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).
4. **Applications must be returned by Wednesday, May 8, 2019 to the Scholarship Mailbox in a sealed envelope, via email bkenne3@outlook.com, or mail to P O Box 80025 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70898-0025. NO EXCEPTIONS!**
5. Be sure to circle the total income of the entire household. If you do not circle an answer, you will not 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 pastor, pastor's designee and/or ministry leader to be accepted.**
8. The application may be found on line at shilohbr.com.

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 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. Currently this scholarship is being funded by Pastor Fred Jeff Smith and Mrs. Soncere Smith Clark.

IV. AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Beginning in 2014, the amount of the scholarship was increased to \$3000.00.

V. REQUIREMENTS OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

- A. Must be a member of a Christian Church for at least one year as evidenced by a letter from the pastor/designee.
- B. Must be a certified college junior, senior or graduate student as evidenced by an official transcript.
- C. Must have a grade point average of at least **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 or hand delivered to ministry leaders requesting information on each applicant. Verification from ministry leaders will be obtained by email and/or it may be placed in a sealed envelope and left in the Scholarship Mailbox in the church office.**
- 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. A member of the Shiloh Scholarship Committee may apply for the 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.

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. (Attach separate sheet) (20 points)

Letter of Recommendation

Attach letter of recommendation from your pastor or his/her designee. Letter must be on church letterhead. (Attach separate sheet) (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 _____

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 _____

THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Fred Jeff Smith, Pastor

Mrs. Betty Fisher

Mrs. Je'ne Jones

Mrs. Thelma Jones

Dr. Betty Kennedy, Chairperson

Mrs. Larender Smith

Mrs. Rose Thomas

Mrs. Carmen Victorian

Mrs. Iris Walker, Secretary

Mrs. Tonya Young

Rev. Jennifer Jones-Bridget, Director of Charitable Foundation

Mrs. Clarice Gipson-Donaldson Chapel Baptist Church

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EVALUATION SHEET

APPLICANT _____

DATE _____

Number of Points Received

_____ 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 _____

_____ II. **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)**

_____ VII. **TOTAL POINTS RECEIVED**

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ECONOMIC NEED SCALE

INCOME	DEPENDENTS				
	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