

Seminary Scholarship **Revised November 2015**

Purpose:

The purpose of this program is to financially assist and encourage students in graduate schooling. The graduate studies should be aimed at attaining a graduate degree to equip the student for full-time work as a pastor or missionary. The recipients should have a past or current association with Cape Bible Chapel.

Procedures:

1. Each year the elders should approve a budgeted amount for this program.
2. The elders should appoint a three-member committee to administer this program. These three members would serve staggered 5-year terms unless removed by the elders or a resignation is submitted and approved. Members should not be related to an eligible applicant.
3. The Administrative Pastor will be the contact person with this committee. The committee members will select a leader to be the liaison with the Administrative Pastor.
4. The committee will roughly divide the budgeted amount between the spring and the fall semesters.
5. Each semester, the committee will canvas the church to determine who might be eligible for scholarship assistance. Eligible individuals would include the following:
 - a. Students who were Chapel members prior to leaving for college or graduate school
 - b. Chapel supported missionaries or their children
 - c. Staff member or current members doing applicable graduate work on a part-time or full-time basis
6. Eligible students will be contacted and provided with a copy of this policy. They will be asked to complete the application (attached) and return it to the committee.
7. Using the applications, the committee will make a recommendation to the elders for the distribution of the funds for the semester. The Administrative Pastor will advise the committee if there are issues that need to be resolved.
8. The following criteria will be considered by the committee in their decision making process for the distribution of scholarship funds:
 - a. What is the applicant's relationship to The Chapel? How long has there been a relationship?
 - b. What is the applicant's financial need? (i.e. tuition and fee costs, living costs, family responsibilities, other scholarships, etc.)
 - c. Has this person received scholarship money from this fund before? How many times? How much?
 - d. Is the applicant making good progress toward obtaining a degree?
 - e. Is the student going to school full-time or part-time?
 - f. Is there confidence that the applicant will actually use the degree upon graduation in the role of a pastor or missionary?
 - g. Is the applicant currently involved in active ministry?
 - h. Is The Chapel scholarship eligible for matching funds from the educational institution?
 - i. Is the educational institution one that would be in congruence with The Chapel's doctrines? Does the applicant basically agree with The Chapel's doctrinal statement?
 - j. Is the applicant living a holy life and presenting an honorable witness for the Lord?
9. Changes to the "Procedures" section of this document can be made by the committee. The Administrative Pastor will be notified of changes.

Cape Bible Chapel
Application for Graduate School Scholarship

Applicant's name, address, phone number, and e-mail address:

What school are you attending?

When do you expect to graduate and with what degree?

Are you attending full-time or part-time? If part-time, how many hours do you intend to take during the upcoming term? What is the starting date of the term?

What is your relationship to Cape Bible Chapel?

Are you in agreement with the Cape Bible Chapel Doctrinal Statement (see: <http://bit.ly/1MymU7m>)
If not, state exceptions.

What is the Internet URL of your school's doctrinal statement (or attach a paper copy)?

Briefly describe your financial situation. Please include information about our family situation. Also, please list any reimbursements you will receive for this schooling from your church, mission agency, etc.

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Does your educational institution match scholarship funds from your church? If so, please provide the basic details. Are there procedures that must be followed to qualify for matching funds? If so, please provide those details.

Have you received scholarship money from Cape Bible Chapel in the past?

What are your plans after graduation to use the degree you are earning?

Are you currently involved in ministry with a local church? Please describe.

Is there any other information you would like to provide to the scholarship committee?

Please send this application to Cape Bible Chapel using one of the methods below:

1. Mail to:
Cape Bible Chapel
Attn: Scholarship Committee
2911 Kage Road
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701
2. Email to:
info@capebiblechapel.org