

# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR GRADUATE STUDIES IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY OR MINISTRY RELATED VOCATIONS

## Cornerstone Global Methodist Church of Marysville, Ohio

The Pastors, Leadership Team, and Scholarship Task Team wish to encourage and support the development of persons seeking a full-time vocation in Christian ministry such as pastors, especially within the Global Methodist system, and other ministry professionals by providing a scholarship for qualifying candidates. This scholarship may be awarded to qualifying candidates who are enrolled in an accredited graduate-level program majoring in a field that will lead to a career in Christian ministry. Applicants must complete the form below and return it to the Church office. Applicants shall also have three letters of reference written on their behalf and mailed directly to the Church office. One letter is to come from a pastor, one from academia (such as a professor) and one from an individual of the applicant's choosing (cannot be a relative).

### Criteria

Consideration of the applicants shall be based on the following criteria:

1. The candidate must be a member of Cornerstone Global Methodist Church of Marysville, Ohio (formerly Marysville First United Methodist Church) or a member of the church staff for at least three years.
2. The scholarship shall be awarded to a full-time student pursuing a course of study leading to a graduate-level degree in Christian ministry or a ministry-related vocation from an accredited seminary or university. Requests by part-time students will be considered.
3. The scholarship award shall be for one year. Scholarship recipients who are continuing students are encouraged to re-apply for the scholarship in subsequent years if funds are available.
4. Scholarship funds may only be used for tuition and fees. Payment will be made directly to the seminary or university and credited to the student's account.
5. Other awards, scholarships, or grants may be accepted by recipients of this scholarship.
6. The maximum amount awarded within an academic year to a single recipient shall be \$5,000.

### Organization Guidelines

1. The Scholarship Selection Committee shall consist of pastoral staff member(s) as designated by the Lead Pastor and the Scholarship Task Team. If any of these members are applying for this scholarship or have a family member applying for this scholarship, they will be asked to exclude themselves from the committee for each year that the applicant will be considered.
2. The Scholarship Task Team will convene and provide leadership of the Scholarship Selection Committee.
3. The Scholarship Selection Committee will meet as needed to review applications and reference letters and to interview qualified applicants.
4. Candidates who meet all the criteria to apply for the scholarship will be invited to meet pastoral staff as designated by the Lead Pastor to discuss their ministry calling prior to the Committee making an award decision.

Date Received in Church Office \_\_\_\_\_

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Full Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Current Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (St) (Zip)

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Seminary or University planning to attend \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (St) (Zip)

I Have \_\_\_\_\_ Have not \_\_\_\_\_ been accepted by the seminary or university.

Field of Study / Degree \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Occupational Plans \_\_\_\_\_

Extra Curricular Activities – List years – (offices, awards, honors)

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Current/ Previous Employment:

Please provide the name of employer(s), dates employed and responsibilities.

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### References (3)

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (St) (Zip)

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (St) (Zip)

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

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### YOU MAY USE ADDITIONAL PAPER FOR THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. Please write a brief statement about your ministry call and how you plan to use your degree in a ministry setting:
2. The recipient of this scholarship shall show evidence of spiritual maturity and intentional growth in their relationship with God. Please share information on your spiritual journey and how you are continuing to grow in your relationship with Christ and by what means.

Please attach a copy of your most recent grade transcripts either from your undergraduate or graduate degree program(s).