Dear CHRISTIAN MINISTRY SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICANT:

The Christian Ministry Scholarship Committee exists as a part of the Christian Church of Greater KC. This committee is made up of interested lay persons and clergy from throughout the Region who understand the financial demands of seminary training.

The committee meets twice a year to award scholarships to applicants who show interest and qualify, most of the funds are generated from local congregations within the Region through individual gifts and special offerings.

If you are interested in making an initial application for scholarship funds, you will need to do so soon by downloading the forms included with this cover letter as shown below. You may also request the Christian Ministry Scholarship Fund application packet or the Christian Ministry Scholarship Fund renewal application form from The Christian Church (DOC) of Greater KC (913-432-1414) or email: office@kcdisciples.org.

The Christian Church (DOC) of Greater KC
Attn: CMSF

Address: 9401 Johnson Dr. Shawnee Mission
Kansas 66203

- May 1 (Annually) is the final deadline for all required documents for the Fall Semester/Term.
- December 1 (Annually) is the final deadline for all required documents for the Spring/Winter Semester/Term.

NOTE: No scholarships will be awarded without a completed application, and official transcript. It is preferred students be under the care of the Ordination & Standing Commission or the Commissioned Ministry Commission. Your Ordination packet will be mailed under separate cover upon request.

For your convenience, we are including with this cover letter the following downloadable forms for your use should you wish to apply:

1. Guidelines for Allocation of Funds
2. Application form
3. Sample Letter for securing references
4. Release of Transcript form
5. Additional Scholarship Information (for other resources)

We hope this information will help you with your seminary plans. For questions please do not hesitate to contact 913-432-1414 or email your question to office@kcdisciples.org

Respectfully,

The Christian Ministry Scholarship Fund Committee
CHRISTIAN MINISTRY SCHOLARSHIP FUND
CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) OF GREATER K.C.

Guidelines for Allocation of Funds

1. Applicants must be members of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

2. Applicants must be those persons who have been nurtured within a local Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) congregation within the Greater K.C. Region.

3. Preference will be given to seminary students who must be attending an accredited seminary, according to the standards maintained by the Association of Theological Seminaries. Secondary preference will be given for continuing education for Commissioned Ministers who are in good standing.

4. Applicants will demonstrate financial need for the scholarship, as determined by written application and review by the Christian Ministry Scholarship Fund Task Force.

5. Applicants must provide a letter of recommendation from the minister of their home/sponsoring congregation.

6. First time applicants must request one other letter of reference from references listed so that said letters will arrive in the Regional Office no later than deadline noted in accompanying letter.

7. Applicants must provide a brief statement (1-2 pages) outlining their concept of ministry and future goals for ministry. This statement is required for the initial application for funds and again as deemed necessary by the Christian Ministry Scholarship Fund Task Force, if additional application is made.

8. Requests for funds should be made for no more than two (2) times per year.

9. Allocations of monies shall be made twice each year, with applications being received by dates noted in accompanying letter for either fall or spring/summer terms. Allocation checks will be made payable to the applicant and to the seminary or event being attended and will be mailed to the applicant.

10. Applicants must request a transcript from the seminary through the use of the "Release of Grades and Progress Report" form (attached) so that the "official" transcript will arrive in the Regional Office along with the initial application, and an "unofficial" transcript will be submitted annually for renewal. First year applicants must provide a transcript from undergraduate and/or previous seminary work prior to the deadlines for application.

11. Information supplied by the applicant is confidential and will be used by the Christian Ministry Scholarship Task Force of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Greater K.C. only to determine need in making allocations of scholarships to help prepare Commissioned Ministers.
APPLICATION FORM:

Christian Ministry Scholarship Fund
Christian Church of Greater K.C.
(Disciples of Christ)
9401 Johnson Drive
Merriam Kansas 66203
Phone: 913-432-1414
Email: office@kcdisciples.org

NAME ____________________________

PHONES:

HOME:

WORK:

CELL:

ADDRESS ____________________________

CITY ____________________________

STATE ______

ZIP ________________

BIRTHDATE ____________________________

E-MAIL ____________________________

HOME CONGREGATION:

ADDRESS ____________________________

CITY ____________________________ STATE ______ ZIP ________________
ARE YOU UNDER THE CARE OF THE ORDINATION AND STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GREATER KANSAS CITY?

YES ______ NO ______

IF NOT, ARE YOU UNDER CARE IN ANOTHER REGION?
YES ______ NO ______

WHO IS CHAIRPERSON OF YOUR LOCAL CONGREGATION'S ORDINATION COUNCIL?

ADDRESS ____________________________

CITY ____________________ STATE _____ ZIP ________

EDUCATION COMPLETED:
SCHOOL / YEAR DIPLOMA/DEGREE / HIGH SCHOOL/COLLEGE/GRADUATE SCHOOL

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SCHOOL YOU WILL BE ATTENDING:

NAME OF SEMINARY:

ADDRESS ____________________________
CITY __________________________ STATE ______

ZIP ______________

STANDING FOR TERM OF THIS APPLICATION:

PART-TIME _________ FULL-TIME _________

_____ 1ST YEAR  _____ 2ND YEAR  ____ 3RD YEAR