

Covenant Presbyterian Church
Douglas E. Matthias Scholarship Program
Undergraduate Scholarship Application
For 2021-2022 College Freshmen and Sophomore Students

To: Undergraduate Scholarship Applicants
From: The Scholarship Committee
Re: Scholarship Application Process
Date: March 2021

This scholarship application is for graduating high school seniors and current college freshmen students, for undergraduate college scholarships for the 2021-2022 academic year. Scholarship assistance is limited; therefore, **only those students who need financial aid should submit applications. All information regarding scholarship decisions and awards will be treated with the utmost confidentiality.** Scholarships may be awarded ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,000, depending on the number of applicants.

Eligibility: To be eligible for the scholarship, the applicant must:

1. Attend an accredited college, community college or university full time for the 2021-2022 school year
2. Be an active member of Covenant Presbyterian Church
3. Have maintained a "C" grade point average
4. Have completed the **FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)** process

Submission: Return completed applications in a sealed envelope to:

Douglas E. Matthias Scholarship Program
Covenant Presbyterian Church
1000 East Morehead Street
Charlotte NC 28204
Attention: Business Administrator, marked "Confidential"

By Monday, April 18, 2021. Each application must include the following:

1. The attached application completed and signed. Do not change format. Please make sure all information is typed or hand written neatly.
2. The **Confirmation page (only)** from FAFSA
3. **(Optional)** Written statement of financial need
4. Your most recent official high school or college transcript (original).
5. The names and contact information for two adult personal references, one who knows you at Covenant, and another from your school community or your neighborhood.

No late or incomplete applications will be considered.

Interviews: The Scholarship Committee may contact you to arrange an appointment for a personal interview.

Scholarship Payment Guidelines: Checks will be mailed directly to the recipient's college. Applicants must provide the name of the college they plan to attend in the Fall to the Scholarship Committee no later than **May 15, 2021.**

We look forward to receiving your application. **Applications are due no later than April 18, 2021.** If you have any questions, please contact Church Business Administrator bill.keith@covenantpresby.org or 704-804-7575.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Home Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

E-mail _____ Cell Phone (if applicable) _____

Your College Address (if applicable) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Are you an active member of Covenant Presbyterian Church?

HS or College you presently attend:

Current year in school: _____ GPA: _____

College that you plan to attend: _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE

On an attached page, please describe the volunteer work and/or community service projects in which you have been involved during the twelve months. Be sure to include the type of activity and the result of your service. You may use narrative or outline format. Please include the number of hours you spent on each individual project.

ESSAY

On attached pages, please submit a **detailed** response to these questions: 1. How has your faith affected your life and your goals? 2. How have you and will you support Covenant's "mission of helping" others during this exciting stage of your life?

INTERVIEW

The scholarship program at Covenant is named for Douglas E. Matthias. Doug spent numerous hours with scholarship applicants discussing their plans and expectations for earning a college degree. His recommendations for scholarships helped many, like you receive some financial assistance toward their goals. Members and families of Covenant have given money to the scholarship program, which enables the church to offer financial assistance in memory of Doug Matthias. These actions of time, talent and money are representative of Covenant's mission of helping others. If required, please come to your interview prepared to discuss your application materials.

I have answered all questions on this application honestly and to the best of my ability.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent's Signature

Date