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Blackwell Memorial Fund

First Baptist Church
Winston Salem, NC

In 1944, the Blackwell family established the Blackwell Memorial Fund to provide scholarships/grants to worthy North Carolina students who feel called and are preparing for ministry within the Baptist tradition. Ministry within the Baptist tradition as identified for this fund includes ministries such as (but not limited to) preaching ministry, music ministry, youth ministry, family and children's ministry, pastoral counseling, chaplaincy, missionary service, church planting, or other areas of ministry.

The Blackwell Memorial Fund committee seeks to assist candidates for Baptist ministry who have the highest possible abilities, attitude, qualification, and likelihood of being outstanding, effective, and devoted ministers. Financial assistance is in the form of grants, no repayment is expected. Repayment shall only be the recipient's service to the Lord Jesus.

Grants will be awarded to applicants according to the following priorities: first priority to persons who are members of the First Baptist Church of Winston Salem and are North Carolina residents; second priority to persons who are Forsyth County, North Carolina residents and members of Forsyth County North Carolina Baptist Churches; third priority to all other persons who are residents of North Carolina and members of North Carolina Baptist Churches.

Grants will be awarded based on all Application materials (application, estimated budget form, attachments, personal references, and academic record) and required priorities described above. The amount of each grant will be determined according to the availability of funds for distribution and the number of eligible candidates with financial need. Please note that the Blackwell Fund can only be used for charges for tuition and fees made by the institution and all checks are payable to the institution; the Blackwell Fund does not support other expenses, such as food, lodging, travel, etc.

Applications and supporting documents should be mailed to First Baptist Church, 501 West Fifth Street, Winston Salem, NC 27101, or e-mailed to the chairman of the Scholarship Committee at scholarship@firstonfifth.org, and be received by 12:00 noon on **Friday, May 17 2024**. Awards will be announced before July 1, 2024.

Return to:
First Baptist Church
c/o Blackwell Memorial Fund
501 W. Fifth Street
Winston Salem, NC 27101
336.722.2558
Or: scholarship@firstonfifth.org

The Blackwell Memorial Fund

Application for Financial Assistance

Applicant's Name _____

Present Address _____

Phone Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

Applicant is a Member _____

of the following Church _____

Date of Birth _____

Parent's Full Name & Address _____

Parent's Full Name & Address _____

Applicant's Previous Education _____

to this date (through grade) _____

High School _____

Date Graduated _____

If now graduated from College/University, give degree, date of degree & name of institution:

If at present a student in College/University, give present college, year of attendance (such as 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) and name of institution:

Please write in your own words:

- A. A brief statement of your Christian experience.
- B. A statement of your intention for your life's devotion to Christian Service and Ministry (includes preaching ministry, music ministry, youth ministry, family and children's ministry, pastoral counseling, chaplaincy, missionary service, church planting, or other areas of ministry).

Please complete as requested:

- C. Your understanding that Grants from the Blackwell Memorial Fund give primary preference to members of **First Baptist Church of Winston Salem**; secondary preference to such persons **who are members of Baptist Churches within Forsyth County, NC**; and third preference to such persons **who are members of a Baptist Church within North Carolina**.

Yes _____ No _____

- D. Please attach your present estimated budget, showing budget for the next school year. (School year for these purposes considered to be from August to August of each year.)

- E. Enter name, church and mailing address of your Pastor and also for two other personal character references, one of which may be from an associate of the Divinity School.

F. Enter name of prospective Divinity School or Seminary which you plan to attend and your expected graduation date.

G. I have requested that a copy of my college transcript be sent to the Committee. Yes ___

H. How did you find out about the Blackwell Fund?

Date _____

Signature of Applicant

Please Note: Due date for application is May 17, 2024.

Estimated Budget Form

For the Academic Year ____ to ____

Expenses:

Tuition and Required Fees

Books and Materials

Room and Board

Clothing

Lunches/Travel Expenses

Health Care/Medicines, etc.

Other Expenses (Specify)

Total

Income:

From Personal Savings

From Summer Earnings

Personal Earnings for Work During School Year _____

Financial Assistance from Parents and Family _____

Scholarship and other Grants Received _____

Scholarships Applied for/Pending _____

Subtotal _____

Amount Needed/Requested from
Blackwell Memorial Fund of First Baptist
Church of Winston Salem, NC _____

TOTAL _____