



Dear Applicant:

Greetings! We are excited to be able to provide scholarships this year during tough economic times. While we realize the process has been delayed, we want to assure you that we have been working diligently to secure additional funding and to work with other organizations to bring about more opportunities for the communities we serve. The following application is for scholarships given on behalf of **Saint Paul's Baptist Church**. Soon you will begin seeing applications on behalf of different organizations with different requirements and ask that you adhere to them to ensure proper processing of your application.

This year we are on a tight deadline. Applications this year will be due no later than close of business on **Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010**. To ensure that your application is processed efficiently, please submit **ALL** requested items.

We also ask that you prayerfully consider making a donation to the Saint Paul's Community Foundation. Scholarships are only one small aspect of what we do and every dollar counts. To find more information on the function of the Foundation, please visit us at [www.saintpaulscommunityfoundation.org](http://www.saintpaulscommunityfoundation.org)

Please note that all recipients will be expected to attend a scholarship Banquet on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010. We will get verification from you at that time of your school and mailing address. **Failure to attend the banquet will delay the processing of your award. It is your responsibility to make arrangements to provide the necessary information. New this year, we will be asking that colleges send verification of enrollment before processing your award check.**

If you have any questions, please email us at [scholarship@myspbc.org](mailto:scholarship@myspbc.org) for a prompt response.

Thank you for your continued patience as we work to make a multigenerational impact.

# Saint Paul's Baptist Church Graduate Studies Scholarship

Administered by the Saint Paul's Community Foundation

Dear Applicant:

The Saint Paul's Community Foundation is an agent of tomorrow functioning today to make a difference in the world. We believe ourselves to be agents of God's resources and witnesses to God's goodness. The foundation's ultimate goal to bring honor and praise to God is achieved through its funding of the significant and pacesetting programs of Saint Paul's Baptist Church (SPBC) and its corporate affiliates.

We are pleased to offer scholarships for graduate studies for the 2010-2011 academic year. The SPBC Graduate Studies Scholarship is based on academic excellence, true dedication to the ministries and committees of our church, integrity, and for responsible students. Two (2) scholarships of \$1000 each will be awarded to the successful candidates during our June awards banquet. SPBC Graduate Studies scholarship applications must be submitted to the Scholarship Committee by June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Financial need will not be considered when selecting scholarship recipients.

The following list of procedures and requirements are mandatory. An application that does not comply with these procedures and requirements will be declined. Please read this information carefully and provide all required supporting documentation in order for us to process your application expeditiously. God bless you in your endeavor to further your education.

## **PROCEDURES**

1. An application for the SPBC Graduate Studies scholarship may be secured by visiting our website at [www.saintpaulscommunityfoundation.org](http://www.saintpaulscommunityfoundation.org) or at the church office. Applications will not be mailed to individuals.
2. Completed application packets for the upcoming academic year must be returned to the Scholarship Committee no later than June 4<sup>th</sup>. **Application materials postmarked after June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010 will not be accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS!**
  - **Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.**
3. Completed applications must be submitted via U.S. mail or in person at the church office. Applications submitted through the internet will not be accepted.
4. An application is considered complete when the following requirements are met:

- Each item on the application has been answered
- **Graduating Undergraduate:** A **sealed official transcript** showing that you maintained a minimum 2.5 GPA during your undergraduate studies is enclosed
- **Current Graduate Student:** A **sealed official transcript** showing that you have maintained a minimum 3.0 GPA during your graduate studies is enclosed
- We are able to verify that you have been a member in good standing with the church for at least one (1) year.
- Three (3) letters of recommendation are enclosed. Recommendation letters must be from a school official, community or civic leader, church official or extracurricular activity sponsor, **must be on official letterhead, and cannot be written by relatives.**
- A resume or personal statement must be enclosed. Your personal statement must include your career aspirations and the part that God will play in these goals. This statement must not exceed one page and must be typed.
- A recent photo of yourself is enclosed. The photo is needed for the scholarship presentation. If you need the picture returned, please enclose a self addressed stamped envelope.
- A typed response to the essay topic is enclosed (not to exceed two pages)

**2010-2011 Essay Topic: In tough economic times, what can the church do to assist people in becoming self-sufficient?**

**Special notes:** Verification of enrollment will need to be sent to the Saint Paul's Community Foundation *before* funds are sent. Scholarship checks will *only* be written directly to the college. It is the responsibility of the applicant to notify the Saint Paul's Community Foundation of any changes in your status. Awards must be claimed by January 31 of the school year in which you applied.

If you have questions, the best way to contact us is by email at [scholarship@myspbc.org](mailto:scholarship@myspbc.org). You can also leave a message at (804) 643-6170 ext. 404.

**Please mail your completed application packet to:**

Scholarship Committee  
 Saint Paul's Baptist Church  
 4247 Creighton Road  
 Richmond, VA 23223-7344

# Saint Paul's Baptist Church Graduate Studies Scholarship

Administered by the Saint Paul's Community Foundation

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Education: Section A** (Undergraduate Information)

Name of Undergraduate  
College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_ Undergraduate GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Education: Section B** (Graduate Information)

Name of Graduate  
College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (where payment should go): \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you already been accepted to this college/university?  Yes  No

Enrolling Full-time  Enrolling Part-time

Classification:  Senior  Masters Student  Doctoral Student

Area of Study Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Graduate GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

List the ministries and activities in which you have participated in or hold membership (including offices held if applicable) in the past four years.

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Are you willing to work with the Scholarship Committee on special activities designed to provide scholarships for students in our church?

Yes       No

**Please return application along with all required supporting documents to the church office or Scholarship Committee no later than March 31<sup>st</sup>, if applying for the upcoming academic year.**

*By signing this application, I do hereby certify that the above information is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I do understand that my information may be verified and that providing misleading and incorrect information for the purpose of obtaining monies is immoral, illegal, and unbecoming of persons who confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. I fully understand that doing so would automatically disqualify me for consideration of the scholarship. By signing this, I also give Saint Paul's Baptist Church and the Saint Paul's Community Foundation permission to use my photograph and excerpts of my application for promotional purposes.*

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_