

**WINSTONIA MCKESSON SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP  
SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
185 EDDIE ROBINSON SR. DRIVE  
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70802**

**Dear Applicant:**

The Scholarship Committee of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church invites you to apply for the **Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial** scholarship that will be awarded in June of this year. The scholarship is awarded based on scholastic average, church participation, and financial need. We assure you that each applicant will be given equal consideration.

We encourage you to fill out the enclosed application completely and return it in the enclosed envelope by **May 21, 2017**. **Please enclose a copy of your transcript. (Please do not send originals). Incomplete applications will be penalized 10 points. Hand-written applications will be penalized 10 points.**

In order to receive this scholarship, you must be a certified college junior, senior or a graduate student and have **a grade point average of at least 2.5**. Upon the presentation of your receipt that confirms your registration, a check will be issued to you.

Thank you kindly for applying for the **Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial** scholarship. Remember the deadline for returning applications is **May 21, 2017**.

**Mail or bring your application (enclosed in envelope) to Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, 185 Eddie Robinson Sr. Drive Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802 before the deadline. Please write on the envelope, Attention: Ms. Beatrice Cosey, Scholarship Committee Chairperson. The application is also available on line at [shilohbr.com](http://shilohbr.com).**

If you have any questions, please contact any one of the persons listed below.

Ms. Beatrice Cosey, Chairperson  
225-768-7349  
[bcosey1@aol.com](mailto:bcosey1@aol.com)

Mrs. Iris Walker, Secretary  
225-343-3947

Enclosure

**SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
WINSTONIA MCKESSON SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**STEPS THAT NEED YOUR ATTENTION**

1. Please fill out every blank in your scholarship application. This includes complete addresses and zip codes. Incomplete applications will lose 10 points. Handwritten applications will be penalized 10 points.
2. Please submit a **transcript by May 21, 2017 to verify your grade point average.**
3. Complete required 200-250 word, double-spaced essay. Essays are evaluated for content and quality of writing (spelling, grammar, punctuation).
4. Include yourself on the part of the application that asks you to list the number of persons supported by parents/guardians.
5. Be sure to circle the total income of the entire household. If you do not circle an answer, you will not receive any points in this category.
6. On the application, indicate the total number of persons in the household supported by parents/guardians/applicant and/or spouse, if applicable.
7. **All letters of recommendation must be signed by the pastor, pastor's designee and/or ministry leader to be accepted.**
8. The application may be found on line at [shilohbr.com](http://shilohbr.com).

# **WINSTONIA MCKESSON SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

## **I. OVERVIEW**

**Rev. Charles T. Smith implemented the Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial Scholarship program in 1986.** A scholarship committee appointed by the pastor administers the program.

## **II. DUTIES OF COMMITTEE**

- A. To set up guidelines governing the scholarship program.
- B. To design instruments for evaluating applicants in an objective manner.
- C. To annually publicize the Winstonia McKesson Smith scholarship program.
- D. To annually select a recipient based on a set of objective criteria.
- E. To periodically evaluate the Winstonia McKesson Smith scholarship program.

## **III. FINANCING OF PROGRAM**

Money is generated from the Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial Fund that was set up by the Rev. Charles T. Smith Family. Currently this scholarship is being funded by Pastor Fred Jeff Smith and Mrs. Soncere Smith Clark.

## **IV. AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP**

A scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00 is awarded.  
Beginning in 2014, the amount of the scholarship is \$3000.00.

## **V. REQUIREMENTS OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS**

- A. Must be a member of a Christian Church for at least one year as evidenced by a letter from the pastor/designee.
- B. Must be a certified college junior, senior or graduate student as evidenced by an official transcript.
- B. Must have a grade point average of at least 2.5 as evidenced by an official transcript.

## **VI. GUIDELINES FOR AWARDING SCHOLARSHIP**

- A. All interested persons must fill out an application and submit it to the scholarship committee by a deadline set by the committee.

- B. An official transcript for the last two semesters must accompany the application.
- C. Letters are sent requesting information on each applicant.  
A stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed for the convenience of the reference person.
- D. After all information is back, the committee meets to determine the recipient of the scholarship.
- E. The committee evaluates each applicant based on a set of criteria previously adopted by the committee. The criteria are attached.
- F. Other than the grade point average, the information reported on the applications are classified as being true.
- G. After points are totaled for each applicant, the applicant's name and their total points are listed and the recipient is announced. No committee member can determine the recipient until an applicant's points have been totaled.
- H. The name of the scholarship recipient is withheld until the Sunday that the scholarship is awarded.
- I. The recipient of the scholarship may collect the scholarship upon presentation of verification that he/she is accepted in school.
- J. A member of the Shiloh Scholarship Committee may apply for the Winstonia McKesson Smith Memorial Scholarship; however, he/she may not participate in the evaluation process.

**VII. PROCEDURE FOR BREAKING TIES**

In case of a tie, the person with the greatest economic need would be declared the recipient. If this is the same, the person who is more actively involved in church work will come before the other. If everything is the same, the committee will vote to break the tie and the recipient will be given 1 point.

**VIII. PENALTIES**

- A. Incomplete applications will be penalized ten points.
- B. Handwritten applications will be penalized ten points.



Pastor's Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

When did you join church?

Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Church Auxiliaries/Ministries in which you are or have been active in the last year. Be sure to include Sunday school and/or Bible Study. If additional space is needed, please attach a separate sheet. (8 points)

**Auxiliary/Ministry**

**Sponsor or President**

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**Include letter from sponsor or ministry leader that can attest to how active you have been in an auxiliary/ministry in the last year. (7 points)**

List school and community clubs/organizations in which you have been active in the last year. If additional space is needed, please attach a separate sheet. (8 points)

**Club/Organization(s)**

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List awards that you have received in the last year. (7 points)

**Awards**

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**Essay**

**Indicate in essay form (200-250 words), double-spaced, how the church has been or is an influential factor in your life. Also, indicate how you expect to use the church's teaching in your future life. (Attach separate sheet) (20 points)**

**Letter of Recommendation**

**Attach letter of recommendation from your pastor or his/her designee. Letter must be on church letterhead. (Attach separate sheet) (10 points)**

Total number supported by parents or guardian (including self)

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Total number supported by applicant \_\_\_\_\_ and or spouse \_\_\_\_\_ (include self)

**Applicant's income (if any)**

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To certify that the information given on this application is true and correct to the best of your knowledge, please sign below:

Your signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS SECTION IS TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PARENT, GUARDIAN AND/OR APPLICANT.**

Combined income of entire household. (Circle One) You must circle one in order to qualify for points.

|                     |                      |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| Under \$10,000      | \$50,001 - \$60,000  |
| \$10,001 - \$20,000 | \$60,001 - \$70,000  |
| \$20,001 - \$30,000 | \$70,001 - \$80,000  |
| \$30,001 - \$40,000 | \$80,001 - \$90,000  |
| \$40,001 - \$50,000 | \$90,000 - \$100,000 |
| \$100,001 Above     |                      |

**Attest:**

I hereby certify that this information is true, accurate and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I will cooperate with the committee's effort to verify the information if it becomes necessary.

Parents/Guardians Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

Ms. Sheri Benton  
Ms. Beatrice Cosey, Chairperson  
Mrs. Betty Fisher  
Mrs. Clarice Gipson, Donaldson Chapel Baptist Church  
Mrs. Thelma Jones  
Dr. Betty Kennedy

Mrs. Melodnee O'Conner  
Mrs. Larender Smith  
Mrs. Rose Thomas  
Mr. Nnamdi Thompson  
Mrs. Iris Walker



**SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

**EVALUATION FORM**

Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Points Received \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **I. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

A. Grade Point Average

2.5 - 2.9                      5 pts. \_\_\_\_\_

3.0 - 3.4                      10 pts. \_\_\_\_\_

3.5 - 3.7                      15 pts. \_\_\_\_\_

3.8 - 4.0                      20 pts. \_\_\_\_\_

B. School Club Participation in last two years.

(1 point each, maximum 5 points)

C. Awards in last two years

(1 point each, maximum 3 points) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **II. CHURCH PARTICIPATION**

A. Church Ministries Affiliation and Participation

(Rating of 5-8 points, 4-6 points, 3-4 points, 2-2 points, 1-1 point) \_\_\_\_\_

B. Participation in Church related activities in the year (example Workshops, Lock-In, Retreats, etc.)

(1 point each, maximum 5 points) \_\_\_\_\_

Any activity in which youth is paid is not included

C. 70% Christian Education Attendance

(25 points, over 70% 1 point per Sunday/Monday/Wednesday) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **III. ECONOMIC NEED (maximum 20 points)**

Determine by scale based on gross income and number of dependents.

\_\_\_\_\_ **IV. APPLICATION NEATLY SUBMITTED, CORRECT SPELLING AND GRAMMAR (Maximum 5 points)**

\_\_\_\_\_ **V. SUB-TOTAL**

\_\_\_\_\_ **VI. PENALTIES (LESS)**  
Incomplete Application \_\_\_\_\_  
Handwritten Application \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **VII. TOTAL POINTS RECEIVED**

## ECONOMIC NEED SCALE

| INCOME           | DEPENDENTS |     |     |     |           |
|------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----------|
|                  | 1          | 2-3 | 4-5 | 6-7 | 8 OR MORE |
| 10,000 - Below   | 20         | 20  | 20  | 20  | 20        |
| 10,001 - 20,000  | 18         | 19  | 20  | 20  | 20        |
| 20,001 - 30,000  | 17         | 18  | 20  | 20  | 20        |
| 30,001 - 40,000  | 16         | 17  | 20  | 20  | 20        |
| 40,001 - 50,000  | 15         | 16  | 17  | 20  | 20        |
| 50,001 - 60,000  | 14         | 15  | 16  | 17  | 18        |
| 60,001 - 70,000  | 13         | 14  | 15  | 16  | 17        |
| 70,001 - 80,000  | 12         | 13  | 14  | 15  | 16        |
| 80,001 - 90,000  | 10         | 11  | 12  | 13  | 14        |
| 90,001 - 100,000 | 8          | 9   | 10  | 11  | 12        |
| 100,001 - Above  | 6          | 7   | 8   | 9   | 10        |