

**Baptist Ministers' Conference
Of
Boston & Vicinity, Inc.**

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**Reverend Dr. Larry Green, Sr.
Academic Advancement Scholarship**

Application 2021



Application Postmark Deadline

March 31, 2021

Supporting the community
through
educational development
and
community service

The Social and Political Action Committee "shall investigate and provide information and a plan of action as to issues affecting the interests of the parishioners and community. Such issues shall include crime, drug and alcohol abuse, illiteracy, and such issues as the President and Body deem appropriate. The Social and Political Action Committee shall provide information and a plan of action for making the church a central place of political and social action in our community."

**Reverend Leroy Mahoney
President**

Scholarship Committee

**Minister Dr. Gloria Coulter
Reverend Edward Hardy
Reverend Donald Moore
Minister Catrice Williams**

COMPLETED APPLICATION SHOULD INCLUDE:

(Incomplete application package will not be accepted, applicant will be disqualified.)

- **Contact Information: Phone [cell/home]; mail address; email address**
- Essay
- Artistic Performance/Portfolio description (application page 3)
- Statement concerning how the scholarship award will be specifically used (books, tuition, housing)
- Statement concerning how the applicant will perform community service.
- Confirmation of the minimal thirty (30) hours of community service completion
- Prospective student who has been accepted to an institution provide a copy of the 'Letter of Acceptance', address and description of the college or other post secondary institution
- Continuing education student in a post secondary educational institution i.e. college, music school, art school, medical training, biblical institute provide the address and description of the institute
- Official transcript from post secondary institution for post secondary applicants
- Three (3) 'Letters of Recommendation' in separate sealed envelopes
- Official Transcript inclusive of grades 9-12 (potentially waived by Scholarship Committee for biblical institute applicants)
- Official written verification of service as a servant of the Gospel i.e. license, ordination document (applicable for biblical institute applicants only)

Submit APPLICATION PACKAGE Postmarked no later than March 31, 2021 to:

BMC Scholarship Committee Chairperson
Minister Dr. Gloria Coulter
20 Emerton Ave.
Randolph, MA 02368

Recipient(s) will be notified by letter no later than April 30, 2021

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

To be eligible for a scholarship, the applicant must provide written evidence that you are:

- A continuing student in a post secondary educational institution i.e. college, music school, art school, medical training, biblical institute. Provide the address and description of the institute.
- A prospective student who has been accepted at the college or other post-secondary educational institution i.e. music school, art school, medical training, biblical institute that you intend to attend.
Provide a copy of the "Letter of Acceptance"
- A servant of the Gospel i.e. licensed minister, ordained minister, deacon, deaconess must verify his/her status (for biblical institute applicants only).
- An active member in good standing for at least nine (9) months in a Church that is part of the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Boston & Vicinity, inc. The Pastor of the church must verify in writing the service and good standing on the applicant in his/her required 'Letter of Recommendation' for the applicant.
- A person committed to serving the community. Provide a written statement describing how you will participate in community service.
- Have an official transcript with a GPA of 2.5 or higher (a lower GPA requires a letter of justification be submitted to and reviewed by the Scholarship Committee for a potential waiver).

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Evaluation of the applicant is based upon the following criteria:

- Official Transcript, Church involvement,
- Community Service: Provide proof of a minimum of 30 hours of community service
- Compelling essay responses with correct grammar, punctuation and spelling; musical or other artistic performance or portfolio
- (3) Letters of Recommendation from:
 - Pastor and/or other official (required)
 - Teacher
 - Guidance Counselor

ESSAY (250-500 WORDS)

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Topic: How will this scholarship help you contribute to the community?
(attach Essay on separate page(s))

COMMUNITY SERVICE/VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

List service activities in which you have participated as a volunteer since becoming a member of your church beginning with the most recent.

Activity/Organization (Avoid abbreviating)	Your role/position(s) held	Dates	#Hours per week
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CHURCH SERVICE/ACTIVITIES

List church activities in which you have participated beginning with the most recent.

Activity/Organization (Avoid abbreviating)	Your role/position(s) held	Dates
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ARTISTIC PERFORMANCE/PORTFOLIO DESCRIPTION (applicant complete)

Required Certification and Release (Applicant must read and sign below to be eligible)

- Number of parent('s) dependents currently in college and/or other post secondary educational institutions (include yourself) _____
- Will you be working during the summer? _____ If yes, how many hours? _____
- I certify that all information on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge
- I certify that I meet all the eligibility requirements as specified in this application and the accompanying instructions
- By submitting this application, I understand that if I should receive this scholarship, **I will be ineligible to apply again**. All materials submitted as part of the scholarship application become the property of the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Boston & Vicinity, Inc.
- I understand that the Scholarship will be paid to the institution to which I attend upon verification of registration of classes for the 2nd semester. The verification must be received no later than ten (10) days after the date on the registration form. It is your responsibility to forward the registration verification by letter through the mail to the Scholarship Chairperson or by email to the scholarship email address: bmc scholarship1998@gmail.com. The **scholarship will be forfeited** if the registration verification is not received within the ten (10) days after the date printed on the registration form.
- I further understand that should I be selected as a recipient of said scholarship that my name and picture is subject to be published for public relations purposes and publicity
- I hereby authorize the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Boston & Vicinity, Inc. to utilize information about and from my application my picture for public relations purposes and publicity.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

Pastor's signature _____ Date _____

And/or Church Official

_____ signature _____ Date _____

Church Official Title

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Instructions to Applicant:

A 'Letter of Recommendation' must be from your Pastor and from two (2) other Officials. You must submit a total of three (3) 'Letters of Recommendation'. **A letter can't be from a relative unless he/she is your Pastor.** You should inform your recommender about the scholarship and your reasons for applying for it. Please give your recommender at least three weeks to write the letter. Submit the recommendation in a sealed envelope along with your application package to the Scholarship Committee Chairperson postmarked by the March 31, 2021 deadline.

Instructions to Recommender:

The person named above is applying for the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Boston & Vicinity, Inc. Scholarship. Please type, double spaced and no more than 150 words, your recommendation on the letterhead of your professional affiliation. We request your candid evaluation relative to the following:

For Pastors' statements

- concerning membership standing for at least the past nine (9) months
- concerning church activities/commitments
- personal strengths, including motivation and leadership

For Other Officials' statements

- Academic record
- Academic plans and career goals
- Personal strengths, including motivation, leadership and commitment
- Community service, church activities/commitments and extracurricular activities

Since you know the candidate, the scholarship review committee is depending upon your specific and illustrative evaluation rather than a general assessment.

Please complete the information below and return this form and your **signed and sealed letter of recommendation** to the candidate with your signature written across the seal. All application materials must be submitted by the applicant to the Scholarship Committee Chairperson by mail with a **postmark no later than March 31, 2021.**

Thank you in advance for your assistance. For further information about the scholarship, please contact Min. Dr. Gloria Coulter at (781) 986-6074 or gloriaj_coulter@comcast.net.

Recommender: Please attach this information to your 'Letter of Recommendation'

Name of Applicant _____

Recommender's signature _____

(Please print or type following information)

Recommenders' name _____

Professional Title _____

Affiliation _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone (____) _____ Email _____