



Mercy Baptist Church
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***HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION***

**Class of
2019**



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To The Graduates of Mercy Baptist Church,

It's graduation time! Another year the Mercy Church Family celebrates the success of our graduates. Your diligence has not gone unnoticed and we congratulate you on this momentous occasion. We encourage your continuance in higher learning, professional pursuits and personal growth in God's Holy Word. We know God is able and willing to honor the desires of your heart throughout this life with greater knowledge and greater experiences.

Therefore, in consideration of your milestone, the Mercy Baptist Church offers a scholarship award to our graduates. You must complete the requirements listed in this portfolio and submit to the Scholarship Committee prior to our deadline of May 26, 2019. Applications and photos may be submitted by email or hard copies as soon as possible. Graduation is the 2nd Sunday, June 9, 2019 during regular order of service. So please invite your family, friends, mentors, coaches, and classmates to share in this wonderful occasion as we celebrate "YOU". A reception will follow the graduation service.

Again, congratulations on your graduation! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any member of the Committee for assistance.

God Bless and keep you,
The Mercy Baptist Church Scholarship Committee
Gwendolyn Robinson
Chairperson

"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them." Ephesians 2:10



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CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

College, Technical School, Military or Other Applicants

1. Applicant must be a member of the Mercy Baptist Church Family and preferably active in at least one church activity, i.e. Sunday School, Bible Study, Usher, Choir, etc.
2. Applicant must submit completed scholarship application portfolio with verifications on time.
3. Applicant must graduate from college (or other institution of higher education) or military service during the current school year.
4. Email or attach in your application portfolio at least 5 pictures to the Scholarship Committee. Please include at least one graduation picture, your favorite photo, family shots, etc.

High School Applicants

1. Applicant must be a member of the Mercy Baptist Church Family and preferably active in at least one church activity, i.e. Sunday School, Bible Study, Usher, Choir, Youth Dept., etc.
2. Applicant must submit completed scholarship application portfolio with verifications on time.
3. Applicant must graduate from high school during the current school year.
4. Applicant must provide verification of acceptance to an accredited institution of higher education or acceptance to military service.
5. Applicant must submit three letters of recommendation, i.e.:
 1. Youth Counselor, Praise Expressions, Choirs, Ushers, etc.
 2. High School Teachers, Counselors, Principals
 3. Employers or volunteer sources
6. Applicant must submit an essay of no more than 200 words on a biblical theme; theme selections are provided by the Scholarship Committee.
7. Email or attach in your application portfolio at least 5 pictures to the Scholarship Committee. Please include at least one graduation picture, your favorite photo, family shots, etc.

Please return application portfolio to the Scholarship Committee as soon as possible. This information will be printed in the annual graduation/honors program. Please direct questions or email applications to:

grobinson64@bellsouth.net 334-799-4421

Application Deadline: **MAY 26, 2019**

Graduation Date: **June 9, 2019** during Morning Worship Service



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Applicant: _____

Date: _____

High School Scholarship Application Checklist

Scholarship Application

Copy of High School Diploma or GED

Letter of Acceptance to College, Technical School,
Military Duty or Other

Three Letters of Recommendations

Five (5) Photos for Annual Graduation Program & Power Point
presentation

Essay on Biblical Theme



Scholarship Committee Member

Date Received



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HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant _____

Date _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____

Other Phone _____

Email (optional) _____

Parents _____

High School _____

Graduation Date _____

What institution of higher learning or Branch of Service will you attend (include location):

Field of Study _____

Church Activities _____

School Activities / Awards or Recognitions _____

Community Activities _____

Future Plans _____



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Writing Your Essay

As part of the High School Scholarship Application, all applicants must submit an essay on a biblical theme provided by the Mercy Scholarship Committee. Make a theme selection from the list below and share your thoughts in your own words! The essay must be a minimum of 200 words, typed, double-spaced and emailed on time as part of your application. Your essay will be printed in the graduation souvenir booklet.

2019 Theme Selections:

1. Walking in the will of God. How Will "I" make a difference?
2. Unlocking Your Maximum Potential – Christ is the Key!
3. Walking by Faith and not by Sight – My Future Depends On It!

Congratulations and God Bless You...
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Recommendation Letters

Need to ask for a letter of recommendation? Here are 5 tips to help:

1. **Ask for a recommendation letter from people who know you and your capabilities**, i.e., former employers, teachers, coaches, community or corporate leaders, influential friends--people who have known you a long time. Relatives are not a good choice. Three recommendation letters are enough.
2. **Be sure to give your sponsor enough time to write the recommendation letter; (one to two weeks, if possible).**
3. **When you talk to your sponsor, state your goals and suggest what they may write to help you achieve those goals.** Coach them to be specific; general praise is a waste of space. Don't be shy. Give suggestions for your recommendation letter, i.e. your achievements, accolades, awards, future plans. A recommendation letter is a sales letter to sell you. Now is the time to brag!
4. **Follow up your request for a recommendation letter by writing a review of your conversation.** When you send them the follow-up letter, be sure to include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Then, feel free to contact them in a couple of days to confirm that they are aware of your deadlines.
5. **Once you receive your recommendation letter, send a thank-you note.** You should also let them know about your success and how they helped you.

We wish you much success in obtaining your Letters of Recommendation.

*Yours In Christ,
The Mercy Baptist Church Scholarship Committee*



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Request for a Letter of Recommendation

1) Date: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

2) Applicant: _____

3) Deadline for the recommendation: **MAY 26, 2019**

4) Name of program for which I need the letter:

**The Mercy Baptist Church Scholarship Awards
Montgomery, AL Dr. Johnny Hollis, Jr. Pastor**

5) Please direct the letter to:

The Mercy Baptist Church Scholarship Committee
P. O. Box 230476
Montgomery, Alabama 36123

6) Courses and/or extracurricular activities I have taken (or currently taking) that would aide in writing this letter of recommendation:

Courses / Activity	Year	Office or Position
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

7) List of church activities and ministries I am involved:

8) To whom should the letter be delivered: (check one)

- Mail to the address listed above
 To the applicant in a sealed envelope

Note: Please attach your Letter of Recommendation to this request and return directly to the Scholarship Committee or to the applicant.



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Applicant: _____

Date: _____

(Attach photos here or email to: grobins04@bellsouth.net)