

Dear Applicant:

Christian Greetings from the Ohio Youth Division!

We appreciate the interest you have shown in the Sheaves for Christ Scholarship Program and are providing you the needed information and various application forms.

The Youth Division offers scholarships in the amounts of \$1,500.00 and \$2,500.00 each. Students desiring to attend a UPCI endorsed Bible College or Graduate School may apply for a Sheaves for Christ scholarship if they are under 25 years of age on May 1st, the application deadline.

Attached to this letter you will find scholarship guidelines, the application form and the following three reference forms: Pastoral Reference, Scholastic Reference, and Employment Reference. ***It is your responsibility to see that your complete application, the respective references from your pastor, school, and employer, and a copy of your Student Aid Report are on file in our office no later than May 1.*** The reference forms must be mailed by the pastor, school representative, and employer. It is suggested that you provide them with a stamped envelope addressed to the Youth Division. ***Also, be sure to remind your school that a transcript of your most recent grades must accompany the scholastic reference.*** Further, please remember that a copy of your ACT or SAT results should accompany your completed application. Canadian applicants must include a copy of your most recently completed Provincial Exam results.

Remember, in order for your application to be valid, every question or blank must be answered completely, and a ***recent photo must be attached.***

If you have any questions, please feel free to call or write us in the Youth Division. May God's best be yours!

Sincerely,

Ohio Youth Division

Enclosures

Sheaves for Christ Scholarship Policy Guidelines: *(rev. January 2003)*

I. Eligibility:

Students desiring to attend a UPCI endorsed Bible College or Graduate School may apply for a Sheaves for Christ scholarship if they are under 25 years of age on May 1st, the application deadline.

Since the scholarship is funded by Sheaves for Christ offerings derived from United Pentecostal Churches of the United States and Canada, applicants must also be citizens of these countries.

II. Award Categories:

The Sheaves for Christ scholarship program consists of 19 scholarships for each academic year. Of these, ten are Level One awards in the amount of \$2,500.00. Nine are Level Two awards in the amount of \$1,500.00.

These 19 scholarships are awarded to students in three different categories.

Category 1: Twelve scholarships awarded to Bible College freshmen.
Of the twelve awards, six are Level One and six are Level Two.

Category 2: Six scholarships awarded to Bible College upperclassmen.
Of the six awards, three are Level One and three are Level Two.

Category 3: This category consists of one Level One award for a first year, full-time graduate student.

III. Application Process:

A. The application deadline for all scholarships is May 1st. All application materials must be received in the Ohio Youth Division offices by 5 p.m. on May 1st. Should May 1st fall on a weekend, application materials are due by 5 p.m. the next business day. Incomplete, late or faxed materials will not be considered.

Applications submitted at this time are designated for the academic year beginning the fall of the next calendar year. The completed application, essay and forms are to be mailed to the Ohio Youth Division.

B. Reference forms and a self-addressed, postage-paid envelope are to be given to all applicable persons. Applicant should make clear to the individual the importance of the May 1st deadline, and that the form must be submitted by mail.

C. College Entrance Exams: Applicants should complete the ACT or SAT no later than the summer following their junior year of high school/secondary school. This will allow sufficient time to provide the results of the test. Canadian applicants must submit the results of their most recently completed provincial exams, or the results of the GMAT.

D. Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA): United States applicants are required to complete the FAFSA. Further information and application submission can be found online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Completion of the application generates a Student Aid Report (SAR). Included in the SAR is an Expected Family Contribution, which the award committee will use in considering your application for the scholarship.

When completing the FAFSA form, you will be asked to select the schools that you wish to receive the SAR. The UPCI endorsed institutions are not currently listed among the available choices. However, you can request that a copy of the SAR be sent directly to you. Include this copy with your scholarship application materials sent to the Ohio Youth Division. *Please note that receipt of the SAR may take as much as four weeks following submission of the FAFSA.*

IV. Grading Process:

All applications are evaluated against other applications submitted to the same category. Applicants are required to designate and qualify for the Category for which they are applying. Winners may apply their award to any UPCI endorsed school that they choose to attend within the category of their award. The level of the award given (\$1,500.00 or \$2,500.00) will be determined by the award committee.

Applications will be graded by the Sheaves for Christ Scholarship committee. This committee consists of six members of the General Youth Committee. Each year their selections will be presented for final approval of the General Board of the UPCI. Upon that final approval, the applicants will be notified by mail of their winning status. The Ohio Youth Division will also notify the Bible College that each winner intends to attend.

Since the scholarship is awarded to the individual student, that student may elect to change his intended school prior to entering the college. However, once a student has begun classes at a particular college, he may not transfer to another college during the academic year and still maintain his scholarship for that year.

V. Distribution Process:

Scholarship monies will be paid directly to the selected school at the beginning of each semester. Monies will be released upon notification by the college that the student is registered on campus as a full-time student, as defined by that institution. Additionally, second semester payments will only be released if the applicant maintains a 3.00 GPA (4.00 scale) for the first semester.

Since these scholarships are awarded to a particular student, any unused awards will not be reassigned to alternate students. Also, awards not used during the designated academic year (the fall following the December application deadline) will be forfeited.

Scholarships are awarded on a yearly basis. To apply for a renewal of support, the entire application process must be repeated for each year in which the student hopes to benefit from a scholarship.

Sheaves for Christ Scholarship Application

Ohio Youth Division
4540 Bessemer Road
Nelsonville, Ohio 45764

DIRECTIONS: Application should be typed. The essay is to be typed and double-spaced. It is your responsibility to see that your completed application is received at the Youth Division offices by **May 1**. Your application will not be complete until all three reference forms, school transcripts, SAT/ACT/Provincial results, and Student Aid Report are on file in our office. Return the application to the above address. Fax submissions will not be accepted.

Personal Information

Date: _____ Citizenship: _____ United States _____ Canada

Name: _____ Sex (circle one): Male Female

Date of Birth: Month ____ Day ____ Year ____ Soc. Sec #: ____ . ____ . ____ .

Correspondence Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Permanent Address (If different from above): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Telephone Number: (____) ____ - ____

Marital Status (circle one): Single Married Widowed Divorced

Health Status (circle one): Above Average Average Below Average

Do you know of any health factors (physical or emotional) of which we should be aware?

_____ If so, please explain: _____

Father's Name _____ Occupation _____

Mother's Name _____ Occupation _____

Guardian's Name _____ Occupation _____

Marital Status of Parent's or Guardian (circle one): Single Married Widowed Divorced

Scholastic History



School Attended						
Name	City/State	Major	GPA	Dates Attended	Grad. Date	Degree
				__/__/__ to __/__/__		
				__/__/__ to __/__/__		
				__/__/__ to __/__/__		

If you need more space, continue on a separate piece of paper.

List any other scholastic information relevant to your application (i.e. honors, awards, clubs, etc.)

Note: Remember to submit a copy of your ACT/SAT or Provincial Exam results with your application.

Employment History

Beginning with the most recent (list only three):

Company Name	Address	Date	Full or		Job title & brief description
			Employed	Part-time	

Academic Budget Projection

(Please estimate expenses and revenue for the entire academic year)

Expenses:

Tuition and Fees:

Tuition and Fees
Books and Supplies

Transportation:

Vehicle Maintenance Costs
Payments
Insurance
Other Travel (Airfare, bus, etc)

Room and Board:

Dormitory
Food
Rent
Utilities
Telephone

Personal Expenses:

Clothing
Laundry
Health Insurance
Other insurance
Recreational
Other monthly costs

Total Expenses

Financial Resources:

Available Income for Academic Year:

Bank or Private Educational Loans
Personal Earnings
Parental Support

Scholarships Received:

Name

Federal Benefits (if any):

G. I. Bill
Social Security
Other

Describe any unusual personal expenses or income situations that make it difficult for you and your family to contribute to the cost of your education:

Balance Sheet:

Total Expenses

Less Total Financial Resources
Unmet Financial Need

Christian Service

Have you been baptized in Jesus Name? _____ Date _____ Place _____

Have you received the baptism of the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4?
_____ Date _____ Place _____

Name of the church you currently attend: _____

Church address: _____

How long have you attended this church? _____

Pastor's name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Are you now living a consistent Christian life to the best of your ability? _____

List and describe any church related activities in which you have been or are now involved (youth ministry, Bible quizzing, Sunday school, choir, orchestra, evangelism, etc.)

Do you feel a call to any particular area of Christian service? _____

Explain: _____

Essay

On a separate paper, express in your own words why you would like to attend Bible college or Graduate School. Explain what contribution you believe Christian education can make to your life and how you plan to utilize the benefits in your future. The essay should be 350-500 words, typed and double spaced.

Applicant's signature

Date

Pastor's signature

Date

IMPORTANT! It is your responsibility to see that your completed application is received in the Youth Division offices by 5 p.m. May 1. Your application will not be complete until all three reference forms, transcripts, SAT/ACT/Provincial results, and a copy of the Student Aid Report are on file in our office.

Return application to:

Ohio Youth Division
4540 Bessemer Road
Nelsonville, Ohio 45764

Academic Interests

Indicate below which UPCI endorsed institutions you are interested in attending. If you are interested in more than one, please indicate up to three choices in order of preference. Should you win the scholarship, we will use this information to notify the institution of your award status and your interest.

_____ Apostolic Bible Institute
St. Paul, Minnesota

_____ Gateway College of Evangelism
St. Louis, Missouri

_____ Christian Life College
Stockton, California

_____ Jackson College of Ministries
Jackson, Mississippi

_____ Indiana Bible College
Indianapolis, Indiana

_____ Texas Bible College
Houston, Texas

_____ Northeast Christian College
Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada

_____ Urshan Graduate School
Hazelwood, Missouri

Please indicate the scholarship category for which you are applying: (Select only one)

_____ Category 1: Bible College freshmen

_____ Category 2: Bible College upperclassman

_____ Category 3: First year Graduate student

Concerning your pursuit of a college education, please complete the following statement:

Next fall, I will be in the _____. year of a _____. year curriculum and expect to graduate
in _____.(month) of 20____. with a _____. degree in _____. (major).

Checklist

- _____ Completed Application
- _____ Photo
- _____ Typed essay
- _____ Applicant's signature
- _____ Pastor's signature
- _____ Pastor has received Reference Form
- _____ All schools have received a copy of the Scholastic Reference Form
- _____ Employer Reference Form has been given to the most recent employer
- _____ ACT / SAT or Provincial results
- _____ Copy of Student Aid Report

SHEAVES FOR CHRIST SCHOLARSHIP
 United Pentecostal Church International

SCHOLASTIC REFERENCE(confidential)

Student _____

School _____ State _____

To school Principal or official:

The student who has given you this reference form is applying for a scholarship provided by the General Youth Division of the United Pentecostal Church International. Your prompt reply is deeply appreciated and will be held in strictest confidence. Please enclose a transcript of the applicant's grades with this form and mail to:

General Youth Division
 United Pentecostal Church International
 8855 Dunn Road
 Hazelwood, MO 63042

Please evaluate the student in the following areas:

	TOP 10%	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	INADEQUATE OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE
Emotional stability	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal appearance	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Moral character	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal initiative	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Cooperativeness	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Respect for authority	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal motivation	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Leadership ability	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal development	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Consideration for others	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Evenness of performance	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal responsibility	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Academic achievement	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Classroom participation	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

(Continue on reverse side)

Do you know of any health factors (physical or emotional) of which we should be aware? _____
If so, please explain below.

How long have you known applicant? _____

Would you recommend this individual, without exception, for a scholarship? _____
If not, please explain:

COMMENTS:

Signature _____ Date _____

Title or Position _____

IMPORTANT! Please enclose a transcript of student's high school grades, or college transcript if the student has attended a college or university, with this reference. In order for the applicant to be considered, this completed form must be received by February 1.

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 United Pentecostal Church International

PASTORAL REFERENCE (confidential)

Student _____

Pastor _____ Address _____

To Pastor:

The student who has given you this reference form is applying for a scholarship provided by the General Youth Division of the United Pentecostal Church International. Your prompt reply is deeply appreciated and will be held in strictest confidence. ***Explanatory comments may be included on page 2 of this form. Your observations above and beyond the questions asked are extremely helpful.*** Upon completion, please mail this form to:

General Youth Division
 United Pentecostal Church International
 8855 Dunn Road
 Hazelwood, MO 63042

Please evaluate the student in the following areas:

	TOP 10%	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	INADEQUATE OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE
Emotional stability	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal appearance	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Moral character	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal initiative	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Cooperativeness	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Respect for authority	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal motivation	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Leadership ability	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal development	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Consideration for others	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Evenness of performance	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal responsibility	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Spiritual development	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Church faithfulness	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

(Continue on reverse side)

How long have you known applicant? _____

Is the applicant actively involved in the youth activities of the church? _____

Please elaborate:

Please describe any other church related activities in which the applicant has been or is now involved (Sunday school, choir, orchestra, evangelism, etc.):

The financial need of the applicant is a major factor in awarding the SFC Scholarship. With this in mind, how would you evaluate the financial status of the applicant and the applicant's family?

Above average _____

Average _____

Below Average _____

Will the applicant's family be able to assist with any expenses incurred in attending Bible College?

To your knowledge, is the applicant planning to seek employment to help finance his/her schooling expenses? _____

Explain:

Do you know of any health factors (physical or emotional) of which we should be aware?
_____ If so, please explain below.

Would you recommend this individual, without exception, for a scholarship? _____
If not, please explain below.

COMMENTS:

Signature of Pastor _____ Date _____

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 United Pentecostal Church International

EMPLOYMENT REFERENCE (confidential)

Name of Employee _____

Place of employment _____ Address _____

To employer:

The employee who has given you this reference form is applying for a scholarship provided by the General Youth Division of the United Pentecostal Church International. Your prompt reply is deeply appreciated and will be held in strictest confidence. Please mail this form to:

General Youth Division
 United Pentecostal Church International
 8855 Dunn Road
 Hazelwood, MO 63042

Please evaluate the employee in the following areas:

	TOP 10%	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	INADEQUATE OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE
Emotional stability	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal appearance	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Moral character	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal initiative	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Cooperativeness	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Respect for authority	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal motivation	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Leadership ability	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal development	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Consideration for others	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Evenness of performance	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Personal responsibility	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Dependability	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Productivity	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

(Continue on reverse side)

Do you know of any health factors (physical or emotional) of which we should be aware? _____
If so, please explain below.

How long have you known applicant? _____

Would you recommend this individual, without exception, for a scholarship? _____
If not, please explain.

COMMENTS:

Signature _____ Date _____

Title or Position _____

IMPORTANT! In order for the applicant to be considered, this completed form must be received by February 1.