Guidelines for Completing GMBC, Inc. Congress of Christian Education Scholarship Application

Please check [http://www.gmbcofgeorgia.org](http://www.gmbcofgeorgia.org) website for availability of application.

A. All interested individuals must complete an application and submit the application packet to the District President on or before the prescribed deadline set by the GMBC Scholarship Committee (May 19, 2014).

B. All applications must include an official high school or college transcript. An affidavit with the applicant’s GPA will be acceptable.

C. Applicants must submit three (3) letters of recommendation.
   1. One letter of recommendation must be from the local pastor or moderator.
   2. One letter of recommendation must be from the Youth Director, Sunday School Superintendent or person within the church or association leadership, who knows the spiritual stewardship of the applicant.
   3. One letter of recommendation must be from a teacher, guidance counselor, principal, supervisor of volunteer activity, etc.

NOTE: Letters of recommendation cannot be from a relative. If the applicant’s parent is the pastor of the local church, moderator of the association, youth leader, etc. a statement to that effect and a letter from another church or association leader should be submitted.

D. The applicant must type or computer scan all applications. No written applications will be accepted.

E. Incomplete applications will not be considered for evaluation.

F. The application must be completed fully. This includes complete addresses and zip codes. If a particular portion of the application does not apply to the applicant, N/A should be written in the blank.

G. On the sheet listing the church and community related activities, please be specific with names of activities, dates, and places.

H. Applications must be postmarked or delivered no later than midnight of the deadline indicated.

I. On the application, indicate the total number of individuals supported by parents or guardians, including applicant.

J. On the application, indicate the total number of individuals supported by the applicant and/or spouse, if applicable.

K. On the application, provide the total income of the entire household (parents, guardians, spouse and/or applicant).
GMBC, Inc. Congress Scholarship Program

REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

Applicant may be a high school senior or presently attending college, vocational school, or seminary as a full-time student. Applicants must meet all of the requirements to meet eligibility requirements.

The scholarship applicant:

A. Must be a member in good standing of a church or association that is currently registered with the GMBC, Inc. and the Congress of Christian Education.

B. Must be a high school graduate in the year of application or currently enrolled in an accredited undergraduate college/university, vocational, or seminary program.

C. Must use funds for undergraduate studies.

D. Must have a grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0.

E. Must present verification of full-time status or acceptance as a full-time student.

F. Must have attended Christian Education classes (Sunday School and/or Bible Study) in the local church and association.

G. Must participate in the overall life of the church and association.

H. Must participate in a community activity.

PROCEDURES/POLICY

A. The committee will evaluate each applicant based on a set of criteria adopted by the committee. Designated points are given for educational background, church or association participation, economic need, community participation, and completeness of application.

B. The information reported on the application is verified to be true.

C. One finalist will be selected from each district.

D. A $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a student from each of the four regions in the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc. Additionally, a fifth scholarship will be awarded to a student selected by President Thurmond N. Tillman. The names of the scholarship recipients will be announced during the annual GMBC, Inc. Congress of Christian Education and Youth and Young Adult Convention in July 2014.

E. Letters of recommendation must be included with the scholarship application.

F. All applications must be typed or computer scanned. Faxes will not be accepted.
GMBC, Inc. Congress of Christian Education
Reverend Thurmond N. Tillman, President

Scholarship Application

NOTE: All completed applications must include designated signatures to be considered.

Mail to: District President or Association Moderator for signature. Signature Process: District President or Association Moderator will forward to Regional Vice President for signature. The Regional Vice President will then forward the application to the Congress President.

Application Cover Sheet

Student’s Full Name ____________________________________________________________

Address ________________________________________________________________

City __________________ State __________ Zip ______

Telephone numbers ( ) ______________________ ( ) ______________________

E-Mail ____________________________________________________________

Date of Birth Month __________________ Date __________ Year ___________

Student’s Church _________________________________________________________

Church Address __________________________ Telephone ( ) ________________________

City __________________ State __________ Zip ______

Pastor __________________________ Telephone ( ) ________________________

Signature of Student’s Pastor ________________________________________________

Date __________________________

District __________________ OR Association _____________________________

Name of District President or Moderator ______________________________________

Signature of District President or Moderator __________________________________
Date __________________________

Signature of Regional Vice President _______________________________________
Date __________________________
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Personal Data

Name ____________________________________________

Last ____________________________ First ____________ M.I. ____________

Birth Date ____________________ Place of Birth ______________________

Month/Day/Year City, State

Mailing Address __________________________________________________

# Street City, State Zip Code

Telephone Number ( ) ____________________ Alternate Number ( ) ____________

Name of High School or College _______________________________________

Address/City/State __________________________ Zip Code ________________

Grade Point Average ______________ Rank in Class __________ Class Size __________

*Indicate if GPA, is not a 4 pt system __________________

College Classification __________________________

Scores on SAT/ACT: __________________________ Scores: Verbal ____________ Math ____________

Achievement test(s) taken:

Name of test and score received:

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Postsecondary institution/s to which you have applied (list in order of preference) and include the following information on a separate sheet:

Name: __________________________________________________________

Application Status (Circle One): Applied Accepted No Action Currently Attending

Tuition and Fee Expenses (per semester or quarter):

Other Expenses (specify type and cost):

Total Estimated Costs (per semester or quarter):

Area(s) of Career Interests

Career Goal ____________________________________ Intended College Major __________________________

Extra Curricular Activities/Community Involvement: (Use additional sheet if necessary.)

Name of Activity Years of Participation Office/s Held

1. __________________________________________________________

2. __________________________________________________________

3. __________________________________________________________

4. __________________________________________________________

5. __________________________________________________________
Complete information below for both parents/guardians:

Father’s Name ____________________________
Address ______________________________________
Occupation/Title: ________________________________
Where Employed: ________________________________

Mother’s Name ____________________________
Address ______________________________________
Occupation/Title: ________________________________
Where Employed: ________________________________

List the name(s) of all brothers and sisters, including those living at home and away attending school.

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List the names of other dependents living with the family and list any extenuating circumstances regarding them.

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Describe exactly how you plan to finance your education and any funds available to you. Include the following:
Source and Amount Awarded:

Supplemental Education Grants (i.e. State, Pell, etc.)
1.
2.
3.

Loans (i.e. Perkins, Stafford, etc.)
1.
2.
3.

Your Savings: ______________

Other scholarships (name) or family or personal contributions
Total: ______________

Total Yearly Family Income: Father ______________ Mother ______________ Other ______________
TOTAL ______________

On a separate sheet, please discuss how you will fund your education if you do not receive scholarships and/or grants.
Church/Denominational Participation

On a separate sheet of paper, list the various types of church and church-related ministries and activities in which you are involved, including name of the ministry or activity, years of participation, and office(s) held.

In the space provided below, list any activities not previously mentioned (i.e. part-time employment, volunteer work and number of hours per week engaged in the endeavor, etc.) Use an additional sheet if necessary.

On the sheet provided, write an essay, not exceeding 300 words. Tell us something about your life experiences, your future goals, and any other information that may be helpful to the Scholarship Committee in assessing your application.

I agree to accept the decision of the GMBC, Inc. Congress of Christian Education Scholarship Committee in regards to this scholarship application.

Type Name

______________________________________________________________

Signature __________________________________________________________________________

Date Submitted _______________________________
Essay Sheet (Must be typed or computer scanned.)

Write an essay of three hundred (300) words or less. Tell us something about your life experiences, your future goals, and any other information that may be helpful to the Scholarship Committee in assessing your application.

Completed scholarship applications must be received by the Regional Vice President no later than June 23, 2014.
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Letter of Recommendation

Applicant ____________________________________________

Reference ____________________________________________

This applicant has applied for a scholarship from the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc., Congress of Christian Education’s Scholarship Program. Based on your knowledge of the applicant, please provide statements about the character of the applicant, as well as your impression of his/her ability to succeed in a college, vocational, or seminary program.

Please return the letter to the applicant. The letter must accompany the application.

Signature of Preparer ____________________________________________

Date _____________________________

Please give your full name, title and mailing address.

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