

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Third Episcopal District Lay Organization

Ametta L.Reaves, President ~ Kimberly Gordon Brooks, Director Of Lay Activities

The Third Episcopal District Lay Organization awards scholarships to deserving young men and women to assist them in obtaining a college education. The scholarships are designated for those students planning to attend or currently enrolled at any accredited institution of higher learning. Two of the scholarships are designated for students planning to attend or are currently enrolled at **Wilberforce University**.

Eligibility Requirements:

- A member of The African Methodist Episcopal Church
- Currently enrolled in a **bachelor's** program at an accredited college or university. with plans to continue in the fall of 2011.
- Currently a high school senior with plans to enroll at an accredited college or university in the fall of 2011.

Selection Process:

- Recipients will be selected from a panel of judges composed of layperson from each Annual Conference.
- Academic achievement (grade point average)
- Quality and level of church participation
- Completed essay that addresses the topic.
- Leadership, extracurricular activities, honors, and letters of reference.
- All decisions by the judges are final
- Recipients must submit proof of enrollment prior to receiving scholarship monies. In the event that recipients are unable to attend school in the fall of 2011, the scholarship award will be returned to the scholarship fund. Scholarships range from \$500.00 to \$1,000.00.
- Finalists are expected to attend the Raymond Davis Education Banquet, March 24th, 2011 at the Crown Plaza Hotel, Dublin, Ohio.

Application Requirements:

- Six (6) copies of the completed application typed or scanned into computer.
- A current high school or college transcript with the **official seal**
- Six (6) copies of one letter of recommendation from someone familiar with the student's academic performance and potential. Maximum of two letters will be accepted.
- Six (6) copies of a 500-700 word typed double spaced essay that speaks to the topic: ***Describe how you have demonstrated leadership ability in the AME church, school and community. What did you learned and how will that experienced prepare you for your future career?***

- **PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ANYWHERE ON YOUR ESSAY. If you are submitting e-copies, only 1 copy of the above information is needed.**
- Each essay will be assigned a number prior to submission for judging.
- One (1) professional/school photograph 3 x 5 preferred but wallets will be accepted. Photos must be of the individual only.
- All required materials should be submitted at the same time and **MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DEADLINE TO BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT PENALTY.**
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Essay Evaluation Criteria:

Content:

- Typed essay should be no less than 500 words but not exceed 700 words.
- The topic is clearly addressed.
- Ideas are developed and support the topic.
- The writing demonstrates a sense of completeness and cohesiveness.

Grammatical Structure:

- No run on or sentence fragments.
- Correct subject/verb agreement and verb tense.
- Correct use of singular and plural noun forms.
- Correct/appropriate use of punctuation and word choice.
- Free of spelling and grammar errors.

Organization:

- The ideas flow and fit together.
- The details are sequential in logical order
- The writing has a clear beginning, middle, and end.
- The ideas are presented in varied and innovative use of words, phrases, and sentences.

**Third Episcopal District Lay Organization
The RAYMOND DAVIS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Name _____ M ___ F

Home Address _____

Home telephone number (____) _____ College Telephone Number(____) _____

E-mail address _____ Age _____ Date Of Birth _____

Grade Point Average _____ High School Senior ___ College Student

Local Church/Location _____

Conference: West Virginia Pittsburgh South Ohio Ohio North Ohio

List in chronological order all schools attended in the last four (4) years.

Name of School	Location	Dates of Attendance
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_____	_____	_____
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What college do you plan to attend or currently attend?

What is your intended or current major, course of study and or career goals?

List any honors received in high school or college (you may attach a separate sheet if necessary). _____

Please list church activities you are involved in on the local, conference, district or connectional level. Please provide a brief description of each including the length of your involvement. (you may use a separate sheet if necessary).

Activity	Approximate Dates of Participation	Approximate Hours Per Week
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Please list jobs (including summers) that you have held during the past four years.

Job and Kind of Work	Summer Or School Year	Dates Of Employment Employment
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Please list your talents in the areas of music (vocal and or instrumental), dance, poetry, reading, etc.

Father/Guardian _____
 Address _____
 Mother/Guardian _____
 Address _____
 Pastor _____
 Presiding Elder _____

PLEASE BE SURE THAT APPLICATION IS COMPLETE

Date: _____ Applicant's Signature _____
 Date: _____ Local Lay President's Signature _____
 Date: _____ Pastor's Signature _____

ALL MATERIALS MUST BE RECEIVED BY March 1ST, 2011. Mail materials to:

Mrs. Kimberly Gordon Brooks, Director of Lay Activities
 904 S. Main Street ~ Urbana Ohio 43078

Or email material to kimberlysaponi@yahoo.com

If you have additional questions, please contact me by phone at 937.925.2299 or by e-mail
kimberlysaponi@yahoo.com

To: Kimberly Gordon Brooks District Director Of Lay Activities,
Conference Presidents: Mrs. Hellen Hartsfield, Mr. Andre Nelson,
Mrs. Debra Tyus, Mrs. Donna Blackburn, Mrs. Jimmie Lee Jackson,

From: Ms. Ametta Lorene Reaves, President

Subject: Scholarship Applications

Date: January 14th, 2011

I greet you with the Joy of Jesus. I pray that this brief correspondence finds you and your respective families doing well. During this season of Thanksgiving, I'm ever mindful of and thankful for the many blessings which God bestows upon each of us daily.

Enclosed you will find the application materials for the Raymond Davis Scholarship Award. Dissemination of this information to your local presidents in a timely manner will allow the applicants adequate time to submit their materials by the March 1st, **2011** submission deadline.

If you have further questions, please feel free to contact the Director of Lay Activities at 937.925.2299 or kimberlysaponi@yahoo.com