

Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church
The Harvey Lawson Educational Assistance Program
“Guidelines”

Eligibility Requirements For Applying For Scholarships Or Grants

- 1) **I must be an active member of Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church.** I must have completed the church’s orientation period and be a member for at least three months.

- 2) **If I am a Graduating High School Senior in the Year Applying, I will be eligible for a “Scholarship” or “Grant” if I do the following:**
 - a) I must submit a seven-semester high school transcript showing that I have at least a 2.5 GPA for a scholarship. There is no GPA requirement for a grant, when applying.
 - b) I must have taken my ACT or SAT Exam and submit a copy of my score.
 - c) I must attend a college or technical school this Fall Semester; and be classified as a Full -Time Student.

- 3) **If I have already graduated from high school or have obtained my GED, I will be eligible for a “Grant” ONLY if I do the following:**
 - a) I must have attended a college or technical school for at least one semester and submit a copy of my transcript and have at least an overall 2.0 GPA.
 - b) I must attend a college or technical school this Fall Semester and be classified as a Full -Time Student.

- 4) I must obtain two (2 letters of recommendation signed by a Department or Auxiliary Head. (Example: Sunday School, NBC, Youth, W.M.U., Brotherhood, Ushers, Greeting, etc.). (Revised 1/30/19).

- 5) Every blank in the application must be completed. This includes complete addresses and zip codes. If a particular part of the application does not apply to the applicant, **N/A** should be placed on the blank.

- 6) Incomplete applications **WILL NOT** be considered for evaluation.

- 7) I must submit a **COMPLETED APPLICATION along with the items identified in #2 or #3, and #4. These items must be mailed in one envelope and received by April 1st. Please mail to:**

Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church
119 North Bank Street
Lake Charles, LA 70601

Attn: The Harvey Lawson Memorial Scholarship/Grant Committee

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Maintaining “MY” Scholarship or Grant

- 1) I must maintain my **membership** at Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church.
- 2) I must be **enrolled in a college or technical school** and be classified as a **Full-Time Student**. I must earn at least **12-Semster Credit hours**.
- 3) I must **maintain at least a 2.0 GPA each semester**. If my semester **GPA** falls below 2.0, I will remain eligible for my **Grant funds** the next semester. I must raise my semester **GPA to 2.0** during this semester or forfeit my **Grant**.
- 4) If my semester **GPA** drops below **2.5** I will remain eligible for my **scholarship** the next semester. I must raise my semester **GPA to 2.5** during this semester of eligibility or forfeit my **scholarship**.
- 5) I must **mail** my semester grade report and proof of school enrollment (ex. Billing Statement, copy of student ID Card, etc.) each semester prior to me receiving my Scholarship or Grant funds.

ALL INFORMATION MUST BE MAILED IN ONE (1) ENVELOPE AND RECEIVED BY:

Spring Semester – January 15th (Revised 1/30/19)
Fall Semester - August 31st (Revised 9/30/09)

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General Scholarship And Grant information

- 1) **Scholarships** and **Grants** are awarded once each year to members of Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church. Members must have completed the church’s orientation period and be a member for at least three months.
- 2) The Church has the right to revoke any and all **scholarships** and/or **Grants**.
- 3) The Scholarship Committee will determine the recipients of **Scholarships** and **Grants** and will be approved by the Church.
- 4) Three (3) **\$ 4,000 Scholarships** will be awarded yearly for a four-year curriculum. The funds will be pro-rated to **\$ 500** per semester. Funds will be distributed each Spring and Fall Semester.
- 5) **Grants** are **\$ 250** per year for a **four-year** curriculum, limited to four years. **\$ 250** per year for a **two-year** curriculum, limited to two years. The funds will be pro-rated to **\$ 125** per semester. Funds will be distributed each Spring and Fall Semester.
- 6) **Scholarships** or **Grants** must be used in four consecutive years, beginning in the year awarded. The Scholarship Committee must be made aware and will review any circumstance that prohibits “You” from attending school (ex. death, sickness, accident, etc.).
- 7) All **funds** must be used for under-graduate studies at a college or technical school.
- 8) Recipients who receive **funds** and decide not to attend a college or Technical school must return **“ALL FUNDS” WITHIN 30 DAYS TO THE CHURCH.**
- 9) **Funds** will be forfeited for any semester if deadlines, rules, or church membership status is not followed or maintained.

10) All required information must be mailed to:

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**The Harvey Lawson's Educational Assistance Program
of the Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church
Pastor E.J. Kemper III**

Scholarship / Grant - Application Form

(Circle One)

Name _____ **Date of Birth** _____
Last First Middle Month Day Year

Telephone Number _____ **Church Membership** _____
Years

Mailing Address _____
Post Office Box or Street City State Zip Code

Graduate of _____ **High School in** _____
School's Name Year

College or Technical School (Circle One) I Plan to Attend I Presently Attend

Name _____

Location _____
City State

Major In _____ **Projected Graduation** _____
Fall or Spring Year

Please Record and Include Copies of the Following :

- 1) Seven -Semester High School or College/Technical School Transcript _____
GPA Average
- 2) Copy of ACT Test Score (if graduating high school senior) _____
ACT Test Score
- 3) Departments / Auxiliaries of Your Two (2) Letters of Recommendation:
 1) _____
 2) _____

By Signing this application form, I agree to the following conditions:

- 1) That I have carefully read, understand, and agree to follow the rules governing this program.
- 2) That I have answered all questions honestly and the information provided is true.
- 3) That I have completed and submitted this application through my own initiative.

 Parent Signature (if applicant is under 18 yrs. old) _____
 Date

 Applicant's Signature _____
 Date

**Completed Application and All Items Required Must be Mailed In One Envelope
and Received by April 1st:**

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