

Jim and Judy Wells Ministry Scholarship Application

Tri-County Baptist Association has established the Jim and Judy Wells Ministry Scholarship to honor the Wells's love for pastors and to extend God's Kingdom by providing tuition assistance for Tri-County Baptist Association church members who are pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in Christian ministry. The amount of individual scholarships and number of scholarships awarded each year is determined annually by the Scholarship Committee and is dependent upon the number of applicants and the funds available to be disbursed.

This scholarship is available to persons who:

- Are pursuing an undergraduate or graduate ministry degree;
- Are a member of a Tri-County Baptist Association church;
- Have not previously been a recipient of this scholarship more than two times. (Priority is given to first time recipients.)

Award procedure.

- The scholarship will be awarded annually.
- The Wells Scholarship Team will meet in April-May of each year, review applications, and make a determination as to award.
- The Scholarship Team makes the determination on which applicant(s) will receive each year's award, and for what amount.
- Recipients will be notified no later than June 1.
- TCBA will forward the awarded funds to the academic institution on the student's behalf.
- Recipients will be recognized at TCBA's Annual Meeting.

Application procedure:

- Fill out application and submit to Scholarship Team in care of the Director of Missions. Applications are available from TCBA or can be downloaded at www.tcsba.com.
- Applications and essays are due no later than March 31st of the academic year for which the applicant is requesting support.

Application Instructions:

1. Complete the application.

The application is a writable PDF. Applicant will be able to save and edit responses if using Adobe Acrobat, otherwise, must print the application after completion. Applicant may also print the application and fill it out by hand. Handwritten applications with illegible handwriting will not be considered.

2. Submit the essay.

The applicant must also submit an essay on the following question/topic: "My Call to Ministry—Past, Present and Future." Submissions may be either a "hard copy" via paper mailed to TCBA's Director of Missions, or submitted electronically to TCBA's Director of Missions with the subject line heading: scholarship essay.

The essay should be written in 12-point Times New Roman font, double-spaced, with one-inch margin. The essay body should be of no fewer than 750 words and no more than 1000 words and include the following on the title page:

- Essay Title: "My Call to Ministry—Past, Present and Future"
- Author's name, mailing address, phone number, email address
- College applied to or attending
- Church membership and Pastor's name
- Date Submitted

The applicant agrees to allow and gives Tri-County Baptist Association the right to copy, print, distribute, sell or otherwise use the essay in whatever form it deems appropriate without any compensation to the author. The author also certifies that the work is original and any copyrighted material is attributed. The author retains the right to copy, print, and sell the essay after the decision on the scholarship is announced.

The Wells Scholarship Committee will verify all information on this application and may conduct an interview with the applicant, before announcing the outcome and awarding the scholarship. All information submitted will be held in confidence and used solely for the purpose of scholarship administration.