

Christian Scholarship Committee, ESTARL GRAND CHAPTER OF TENNESSEE ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

TO: WORTHY MATRONS, WORTHY PATRONS, AND MEMBERS OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

Please read this letter to your members and advise your Christian Scholarship Committee members to give special attention to its contents. We suggest the Chairman become familiar with the scholarship program in order to answer questions the Chapter may have.

If your Chapter sponsors an applicant for a scholarship, you must follow the guidelines to the letter and use the **2007 Revised Application** form in submitting an application. A copy of the guidelines and application form are enclosed and may be copied should you need additional forms.

It is the duty of the Chapter committee to thoroughly investigate the character and need of the student applicant before submitting his/her application to the Chapter for approval to be submitted to the Grand Chapter Committee. Utmost attention must be given to the application to insure that the student meets (1) the qualifications of applicant (permanent resident of Tennessee, preparing for full time Christian Service, and attending an accredited college on a full time basis), and (2) that all blanks are completed, all names, addresses and zip codes are clearly printed and signed by the applicant, and that a photograph, all transcripts, and letters of recommendations are attached. The Chapter Committee should remain in touch with the student until he/she graduated or no longer requires financial assistance.

The Grand Chapter Committee will meet in February, 2017 to award scholarships. The names of those receiving scholarships will be read at Grand Chapter in April 2017. The completed and signed applications must be postmarked no later than February 1, 2017, to be considered for the 2017-2018 academic year scholarship. It is imperative that the date for submitting applications is observed in order for scholarships to be awarded on a fair and impartial basis to deserving students year after year.

The Committee must evaluate each applicant as to merit and need. Scholarships are awarded based on funds available on a specific date. Awarded scholarships money will be forwarded to the school prior to the beginning of the Fall Semester.

The Christian Scholarship Fund needs financial support in order to continue awarding scholarship to deserving students. We encourage Chapter and individual donations, honorariums, and memorials to further the education opportunities of these individuals called to Christian Service. We thank you for your cooperation and support in continuing this important program of Tennessee Grand Chapter.

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