

Siler Memorial Scholarship Packet Checklist

Please check off the following items to be sure that they are included in the application packet. Scholarship awards will not be considered nor interviews scheduled until all items on the list below are checked off



- **Affirmation page**
- **Completed Application**
- **Completed Essay**
- **Recommendations (2)**
 - **Pastor (or ministry leader)**
 - **Other** (See guidelines on the recommendation form.)

Place all of the above documents in a large manila envelope and mail it to the address below or email it to pastor@bluecreekbaptist.com. You can also bring it by the church office. Please call before coming by the office to make sure that someone is in the office to receive your documents.

Blue Creek Baptist Church
1251 Burgaw Hwy.
Jacksonville, NC 28540

The committee will then contact you for a short interview within 2-3 weeks of receiving your completed packet. If you do not hear from anyone within that period of time please contact the church office at 910-346-9648

BLUE CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
SILER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Scholarship Application



Dear Applicant:

The Siler Memorial Scholarship Committee would like to thank you for applying for the Siler Memorial Scholarship for ministerial students. It is our hope that this scholarship will benefit its recipients by helping them to be more prepared as ministers of the gospel of Jesus Christ..

Please take a moment to read the scholarship application's criteria thoroughly, Statement of Affirmation and complete the scholarship application. Your application and all supporting documentation must be received by the committee before we can proceed with the acceptance process. **Any omission** of the required documentation will result in your disqualification for a scholarship award. All applicants will receive fair consideration. The number of scholarships awarded is determined by the Scholarship Committee.

Statement of Affirmation:

I _____, am applying for the Siler Memorial Scholarship. I affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, all information and statements provided in this application are complete and accurate. I also agree to supply all academic records and other supporting documents requested by the Scholarship Committee, and I understand that failure to do so will disqualify me from further consideration for a scholarship. Moreover, I understand that any false or misleading information and/or statements will disqualify me from further consideration for a scholarship.

I further affirm my belief in the following biblical ideals and have initialed each statement to confirm my belief in each statement. Should my belief in these statements change, then I would not be eligible for further Siler Scholarship renewals.

_____ I believe that the Bible is the Word of God and as such is the absolute source of truth and authority for life.

_____ I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and that he died on the cross for our sins, arose from the dead 3 days later, ascended into Heaven, and will come again for His saints at some time in the future.

_____ I believe that salvation is by the grace of God through faith in Jesus Christ. I am not saved by any works that I have done or could do.

_____ I believe in a literal Heaven and a literal Hell and that the eternal destiny of a man's soul is dependent upon their decision to put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ as their Lord.

_____ As a Christian, God wants me to be holy. As such I know that sexual relations outside of marriage are against the teaching of His Word as is homosexuality.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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SILER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Jim Huskey (Chair)
Judy Huff

Don White
Pastor, Blue Creek Baptist Church (*Ex officio*)

Read and complete all items in the application prior to submission. For consideration, all information requested must be attached to the application. **Incomplete applications will not be considered-no exceptions** Completed packages can be submitted in person to the church office at Blue Creek Baptist Church, mailed to the church office or submitted online to pastor@bluecreekbaptist.com. Questions can be directed to any member on the committee or by calling the church office.

Siler Memorial Scholarship Criteria

- Must be enrolled at an accredited college or seminary for the purpose of full-time gospel ministry.
- Must submit a letter of recommendation from your pastor or another ministry leader and someone who can attest to your christian character and commitment to the Savior. (2 recommendations)
- Must submit your response to the essay, see question 13 (minimum of one page double-spaced, not to exceed two pages);
- Must be a **full time** student with a minimum 12 credit hours. (Variations in this standard may be approved by the committee due to special circumstances.)
- Must be a current, active member of a church for one year.

The second recommendation can be from a professor or a personal friend. **Please do not give a recommendation form to a family member. (Or just forward the recommendation to them electronically. They could then return it to us directly.)**

15. Your Signature: _____ Date: _____

Siler Memorial Scholarship Application
RECOMMENDATION FORM

Name of Applicant: _____

*To the Evaluating Authority: You have been requested to provide information in support of the above named applicant who is applying for a scholarship from the Siler Memorial Fund of Blue Creek Baptist Church. We thank you for the time and effort in providing this input which will help us make a fair evaluation of the application. Please use additional sheets if you need more space to respond to the following questions. **This recommendation must be placed in a sealed envelope and signed across the seal to ensure its integrity.***

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?

Based on your experience with other students, how would you rate the applicant in the following categories?
Please place

Evaluation Category	Top 5%. Excellent	Top 20% Above Average	Top 50% Average	Bottom 50% Below Average
Academic Merit				
Ministry Involvement				
Leadership Skills				
Commitment to his/her church				
Christian character and conduct				
Demonstrates the ability to follow through with tasks and goals				
Potential to serve as a ministry leader				

2. a check in the category that corresponds to your appraisal of the applicant.

1. Are there any particular examples that you can relate where the applicant has distinguished himself/herself in any of the above categories?

2. In your opinion, what are the candidate's outstanding personality traits?

3. Please state below your personal knowledge of the applicant's need for financial assistance to continue his/her studies:

4. Other comments you would like to make regarding the applicant and their desire to serve the Lord in Christian ministry.

Name of Evaluating Authority: _____
Job Title or Designation: _____ Phone Number: _____
Relationship to the applicant: _____
Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return this recommendation directly electronically to the Siler Committee at pastor@bluecreekbaptist.com or by mail to Blue Creek Baptist Church, 1251 Burgaw Hwy. Jacksonville, NC 28540.