



Scholarship Information

Dear Applicant,

We appreciate your interest in the Illinois District Ladies Ministries UPCI Scholarship. We are happy to provide you the needed information and various forms.

The Illinois Ladies Ministries Department is pleased to provide two scholarships in the amount of \$1,000.00 each. If you wish to attend a UPCI endorsed college you may apply for the Illinois District Ladies Ministries UPCI Scholarship if you are single, female or male, and under the age of 25 as of April 1st, the application deadline.

Enclosed with this letter you will find

- Scholarship Guidelines
- Application Form
- Pastoral Reference Form
- Scholastic Reference Form
- Employment Reference Form (If not employed a non-related adult.)

Detailed information is given in the accompanying guidelines regarding each form requirement. ***It is your responsibility*** to see that your completed application and references are ***postmarked no later than April 1st***. The reference forms ***must*** be mailed confidentially by the pastor, school representative, and employer. We suggest that you provide them with an ***addressed stamped envelope to: Illinois Ladies Ministries, 15496 N. Lakeview Dr., Effingham, IL 62401***. An official transcript of your most recent grades ***must*** accompany the scholastic reference.

Remember, for your application to be valid, ***every*** question or blank must be answered completely, and a recent photo ***must*** be included.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call 217-343-8211 or email kupchurch@illinoisladiesministries.com. May God's best be yours!

Sincerely,
Kathern Upchurch, President
Illinois District Ladies Ministries

- Completed application
- Essay
- Pastoral reference
- Most recent transcript (High School or College)
- Scholastic reference (High School or College)
- Employment reference



Scholarship Guidelines

I. Eligibility:

Students (female and male) desiring to attend a UPCI endorsed college may apply for the Illinois Ladies Ministries Scholarship if they are single and are under 25 years of age on April 1st, the application deadline.

Since the scholarship is funded by *Mother's Memorial* offerings derived from United Pentecostal Churches of the Illinois District, an applicant must be an active member of a United Pentecostal Church of Illinois.

II. Award Amount:

The scholarship program makes available 2 scholarships for each academic year in the amount of \$1000.

III. Application Process:

A. The application deadline for all scholarships is April 1st. All application materials must be **postmarked by April 1st**. Should April 1st fall on a weekend; application materials are due by the next business day.

Incomplete or late materials will not be considered.

B. Applications submitted designated for the academic year beginning in the fall of that same year. The completed application, essay, and forms are to be mailed, and or digitally signed and submitted to Illinois Ladies Ministries.

C. Reference forms and a self-addressed stamped envelope should be given to all applicable persons. Applicant should make clear to the individual the importance of the April 1st postmarked deadline. For an application to be considered, all references must be on file.

IV. Grading Process:

All applications are evaluated against other applications. They are evaluated by the Illinois Ladies Ministries Department made up of representatives of sectional leaders along with the president and secretary. Winners may apply their award to any UPCI endorsed college that they choose to attend.

Since the scholarship is awarded to the individual student, that student may elect to change his/her intended school prior to entering the college. However, once a student has begun classes at a college, he may not transfer to another college during the academic year and still maintain his scholarship for a full year.

If no applicant is deemed worthy of the scholarship, the scholarship committee reserves the right to withhold awarding a scholarship for that year.

V. Distribution Process:

Scholarship monies will be paid \$500 for each semester directly to the selected school at the beginning of each semester. Monies will be released upon notification by the college that the student is registered on campus as a full-time student, as defined by that institution. Additionally, second semester payments will be released if the recipient has maintained a 2.5 GPA (4.00 scale) for the first semester. Should the recipient's GPA fall below 2.5, funds will be withheld until the student presents written explanation to Illinois Ladies Ministries. Upon review of the student's explanation, Illinois District Ladies Ministries will determine if to release second semester funds.

Since these scholarships are awarded to a particular student, any unused awards will not be reassigned to alternate students. Also, awards not used during the designated academic year (the fall following the April 1st application deadline) will be forfeited.

Scholarships are awarded on a yearly basis. To apply for a renewal of support, the entire application process must be repeated for each year in which the student hopes to benefit from a scholarship.



Scholarship Application

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Telephone _____ Date _____

Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Date of Birth _____ Age _____

Sex: Female _____ Male _____

Marital Status: Single _____ Married _____ Divorced _____ Widowed _____

Parents or guardian:

Father _____ Occupation _____

Mother _____ Occupation _____

Guardian _____ Occupation _____

Are your parents living? Father: Yes _____ No _____ Mother: Yes _____ No _____

Marital status of parents: Single _____ Married _____ Divorced _____ Widowed _____

Do you live with your parents or guardian? _____

If there are other siblings living in the home, list their age:

Age: _____

Are both parents or guardian active in the church? _____ If no, explain:

Attach a recent
photo here.

SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION

Names of High School OR College last attended

Address of School _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name of Principal / President _____

Date graduated (or will graduate) _____

Type of major(s) taken in High School or College:

List any scholastic honors you have received: _____

List any school activities in which you have participated: _____

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Are you currently employed? _____ Full-time or Part-time? _____

List below the record of your past and present employment:

Employer	Address	Date Employed	Length of Employment	Position
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

HOUSEHOLD INCOME

___ Under \$25,000 ___ \$25,000-\$50,000 ___ \$50,000-\$75,000 ___ \$75,000-\$100,000 ___ over \$100,000

How do you plan to pay your School's tuition? (parents, job, etc)

CHRISTIAN SERVICE INFORMATION

Have you received the baptism of the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4?

Yes _____ No _____ Date _____ Place _____

Have you been baptized in Jesus Name?

Yes _____ No _____ Date _____ Place _____

Are you now living a consistent Christian life to the best of your ability? _____

Do you support your church with tithes and offerings? _____

What church do you attend? _____

Name of current pastor _____ Attended how long? _____

Pastor's address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

List and describe any church related activities in which you have been or are now involved (youth, Sunday School, choir, orchestra, evangelism, etc.): _____

Are there any other circumstances you would like us to consider in evaluating your application?

Do you feel a call to any particular area of Christian service? _____

Explain: _____

ESSAY:

On a separate piece of paper, express in your own words why you want to attend a UPCI endorsed college and when and why did you make this decision.

Explain what contributions you believe a Christian based education can make to your life and how you plan to utilize the benefits in the future. State your goals for 2 years from now and 5 years from now. (300-500 words)

ACADEMIC INTEREST:

Indicate below which endorsed Bible College of the United Pentecostal Church International you are interested in attending. If you are interested in more than one, please indicate up to 2 choices in order of preference. Should you win the scholarship, we will use this information to notify the institution of your award status and interest.

- _____ Apostolic Bible Institute, St. Paul, Minnesota
- _____ Christian Life College, Stockton, California
- _____ Indiana Bible College, Indianapolis, Indiana
- _____ Northeast Christian College, Fredericton, New Brunswick
- _____ Texas Bible College, Lufkin, Texas
- _____ Urshan Graduate School of Theology (Seminary) St. Louis, Missouri
- _____ Urshan College (Christian College) St. Louis, Missouri

Certification

To the best of my ability, I believe that all the information submitted with this application is true, current, and accurate.

Applicant's Signature

Date

IMPORTANT! It is the applicant's responsibility to see that your completed application is postmarked by **April 1st**. (Should April 1st fall on a weekend, application materials are due by the next business day.) Your application will not be complete until proper reference forms, and transcripts are received. Return application to:

Illinois Ladies Ministries
15496 N. Lakeview Drive
Effingham, IL 62401