

# 2019 NEW SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COLLEGE, GRADUATE & DOCTORAL STUDENTS

There are **three** scholarships available to New Salem college, graduate, and doctoral students. Applicants should read the guidelines carefully. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

## **NSBC McDaniel-Pitts Scholarship**

**Amount:** \$2500 (not automatically renewed)

*This is the principal scholarship of New Salem Baptist Church. It was named after Charles McDaniel and Earnest Pitts, Jr., who were both members of New Salem. Charles McDaniel was a former trustee and a champion of education that exhibited great virtuosity in music. Earnest Pitts, Jr. was a very popular New Salem youth, whose early death prevented him from acquiring a college education. The divergent destinies of this uncle-nephew duo left an indelible mark on the New Salem family and as a result, the McDaniel-Pitts Scholarship was named in honor of their legacies. This scholarship emphasizes, encourages, and supports the retention and graduation of students in pursuit of higher education, advancements, and opportunities at all college, graduate and university levels.*

**ELIGIBILITY** – Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be currently enrolled in an accredited 2-4 year degree program
- Must have completed 1 semester of classes
- Have a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA (based on a 4.0 scale)
- Be a current and active member of New Salem

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## **The Hank Evans and Dorothy Cage Evans Scholarship**

**Amount:** \$500 (not automatically renewed)

*This scholarship was created and developed by Hank Evans and Dorothy Cage Evans. This husband and wife are long-standing devoted members of New Salem, who have awarded hundreds of scholarships to students in Central Ohio. Mrs. Cage Evans was a former chairperson of New Salem's Scholarship Committee. Both Mr. Evans and Mrs. Cage Evans are true advocates of higher education, which is exhibited through their tenacity, generosity and commitment to helping students attend college.*

**ELIGIBILITY** – Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be currently enrolled in an accredited 2-4 year degree program
- Have completed 1 year of classes
- Have a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA (based on a 4.0 scale)
- Be a current and active member of New Salem
- Commit to complete at least 25 hours of volunteer/community service in 2019-2020

## Elizabeth Denton Wesley Memorial Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1000 (not automatically renewed)

*Elizabeth Denton Wesley was a courageous, twentieth century, Christian woman who embraced the challenges of life. Before she was two years old, she was stricken with infantile paralysis or polio. She learned to walk on one leg with the assistance of two crutches. She graduated with a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree from Philander Smith College and worked toward another degree at Howard University. Later she moved to Kansas City, Missouri. Employed by the state of Missouri, she retired after thirty years of service. She was a devoted wife and mother who expected her family to attend church with her and be active. She also volunteered with civic organizations. Elizabeth Denton Wesley exemplified the scripture: "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; ..." (Proverbs 3:5)*

**ELIGIBILITY** – Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be currently enrolled in an accredited 2-4 year degree program
- Have completed at least 1 semester of classes
- Have a minimum of 2.5 GPA (based on 4.0 scale)
- Be a current and active member of the New Salem Baptist Church
- Special consideration will be given to applicants that are attending an HBCU.



**NEW SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH**

**COLLEGE, GRADUATE, and DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIPS**

**I am applying for:** (check all that apply)

- NSBC McDaniel-Pitts Scholarship
- Hank Evans and Dorothy Cage Evans Scholarship
- Elizabeth Denton Wesley Memorial Scholarship

**PART I: PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Race: \_\_\_\_\_  
 US Citizen: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Last Name First Name Middle

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Telephone # (xxx) xxx-xxxx Alt. Telephone # (xxx) xxx-xxxx E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART II: COLLEGE INFORMATION**

\_\_\_\_\_ Name of College: Address: City/State: Zip:

Date of Enrollment: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Classification: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Honors Courses Taken: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Institution Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Degree Sought: \_\_\_\_\_

Major/Minor/Field of Study \_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteer and Community Service Completed in 2018-2019:** \_\_\_\_\_

ACTIVE New Salem Member Since: \_\_\_\_\_

Ministry Involvement: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICANT REMINDER**

A completed application includes the following: A signed and dated application, proof of enrollment in an accredited 2-4 year college, an academic transcript, one letter of recommendation and a 300-500 word essay (see page 4). **The completed application packet must be received on or before Sunday, May 19, 2019.** Late applications will neither be considered nor accepted! Mail completed packet to:

New Salem Missionary Baptist Church  
 Attn: Scholarship Committee  
 2956 Cleveland Avenue  
 Columbus, Ohio 43224  
 Office: (614) 930-2242/ Fax: (614) 267-9595  
[church.newsalemcares.org](http://church.newsalemcares.org)

Email: [tsheppard@newsalemcares.com](mailto:tsheppard@newsalemcares.com)

# COLLEGE, GRADUATE, AND DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIPS

## Letters of Recommendation Guidelines and Essay Prompts

### LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION:

- Although separate essays must be written for separate scholarships, **applicants only need to include one letter of recommendation** in their scholarship packet.
  - One from a non-family member (pastor, family friend, supervisor etc...). This letter should specifically address why you are deserving of this scholarship based on your character. They should include how they know you and how long they have known you.
  - One from a professor, teacher and or counselor. This letter should specifically address why you are deserving of this scholarship based upon your academic achievements and or progress. The person writing this letter of recommendation must be someone who is currently involved in your academic career. They should include in the letter how they know you and how long they have known you.

### ESSAY GUIDELINES:

- Essays for different scholarships must be printed on separate pieces of paper.
- The name of the applicant and the name of the scholarship (for which the essay is written) must be included in the top right corner of the essay.
- Each essay must be 300-500 words.
- Each essay must be typed and double-spaced, using **Times New Roman 12-point font**. Essays that are not typed will disqualify the entire application.

### NSBC McDaniel-Pitts Scholarship

Please choose **ONE** of the four essay prompts below. If you have previously applied, please respond to prompt #4.

1. After completing college, you will have attained a degree that will qualify you to go out into the work force and earn a salary. Explain how what you have learned in college has changed you as a person and how you plan on using that knowledge to not only earn a salary but benefit the Kingdom of God post-graduation.
2. Recount an incident or time when you experienced failure. How did it affect you, and what lessons did you learn? Explain how you will use what you have learned from that experience to minister to others.
3. What do you consider to be the single most important societal problem? Why? What do you think the church's position should be in response to this issue?
4. Pick an experience from your own life and explain how it has influenced your development. Explain how that experience has helped develop your spiritual walk.

### Hank Evans and Dorothy Cage Evans Scholarship

**Essay Prompt** – Describe a major societal problem in our nation that you are passionate about and describe how your service to the community and leadership abilities can help to address this issue.

### Elizabeth Denton Wesley Memorial Scholarship

**Essay Prompt** – Elizabeth Denton Wesley was able to endure great adversity, persevere and achieve success. Her determination and tenacity inspired her children and others to achieve their goals. Describe how you have persevered through a great challenge, what you learned, and how you will use this adversity to inspire and help the next generation?