



## Saint John Baptist Church Scholarship Application

### Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be an **active member** of Saint John Baptist Church.
- Applicant must have a cumulative grade point average of **2.3** or above on a 4.0 scale. Applicant will supply a **current transcript** with his/her application.
- Applicant must be **accepted in/attending** an accredited university, college, community college, or vocational/technical school.

\*Please note that this Scholarship is not purposed for those completing professional Development, CEU's, CEC's and taking classes that will not lead to a diploma or degree.

- Applicant must be a **full-time undergraduate** student.
- Applicant must present a letter **certifying his/her acceptance** or **enrollment** into an accredited institution of higher learning.
- Applicant should demonstrate **active participation** in church, school, and community organizations.

### Application Process:

- o Graduating High school seniors going to higher education
- o Eligible undergraduate students with proof of good academic standing
- o Timeline of the Application Process
  - Applications due by **May 12, 2024**
  - Scholarships are presented during the **Youth Day/Recognition of Graduates** Service

- o Completed Scholarship Package
  - Application
  - Current transcript
  - Essay (250-500 words)
    - Selected scripture
    - Scripture's application to life and future goals
  - Personal Interview
    - Oral responses support written application information
    - Ability to express self effectively
  - 3 Letters of Reference/Recommendation (1 for each of the following):
    - Church
    - Community
    - School

#### **Fund Distribution**

- o Minimum award amount: \$500
- o Checks will be made payable in the name of the scholarship recipient to the **school** in which the recipient has been accepted.



Date of this application \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions for completing this scholarship application:**

1. Complete the application by **June 1, 2023**, of the scholastic year for which you are applying.
2. Type or clearly print in blue or black ink all application responses.
3. Include accurate zip codes with all addresses.
4. Include a copy of your high school/college transcript with this application.
5. Include a letter certifying your acceptance/attendance at an accredited institution of higher learning at the undergraduate level.
6. Include three letters of reference or request three letters of reference be returned to Tamecha Lassiter by **June 1, 2023**. (1 letter from each of the following: Church, Community, School). **Contact information for Tamecha Lassiter will be provided on the Check List page of application.**
7. Provide a 250-500-word personal essay relating to the scripture focus of the year and your academic, personal, and professional goals.

**Personal Information**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Number & Street)

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Number & Street)

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

High School Attending (Attended): \_\_\_\_\_

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

Date of Graduation (High School): \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: (Based on a 4.0 scale) \_\_\_\_\_

Academic Standing (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior)/Anticipated Graduation Date (Undergraduate): \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: (Based on a 4.0 scale) \_\_\_\_\_

Major or Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupational Field: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College/University \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

**Church Affiliation and Involvement**

Are you a member of Saint John Baptist Church and in good standing? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

List the ministries and activities in which you are or have been involved.

<b>Ministry/Activity</b>	<b>Dates of Attendance/Involvement</b>	<b>Description of Participation</b>
<i>Example: Youth Bible Study</i>	<i>January 2020 to Present</i>	<i>Attend weekly youth Bible study sessions on Tuesday evenings</i>

**School Affiliations and Involvement**

List the school honors received, offices held, and extracurricular activities in which you are or have been involved.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>Example: Perfect Attendance</i>	<i>June 15, 2020</i>	<i>Attended school all 181 days of my junior year</i>


**Community Affiliations and Involvement**

List honors received, offices held, and community service activities in which you are or have been involved.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Dates of Attendance/Involvement</b>	<b>Description of Participation</b>
<i>Example: Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts of America</i>	<i>June 2020 to Present</i>	<i>Participated in activities throughout the year to earn various badges from elementary school to the present.</i>

Describe any work experience or other activities not previously listed.

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## **2024 Essay Prompt**

### **Psalms 23: 1-6**

**23** <sup>1-3</sup> GOD, my shepherd! I don't need a thing. You have bedded me down in lush meadows, you find me quiet pools to drink from. True to your word, you let me catch my breath and send me in the right direction. <sup>4</sup> Even when the way goes through Death Valley, I'm not afraid when you walk at my side. Your trusty shepherd's crook makes me feel secure. <sup>5</sup> You serve me a six-course dinner right in front of my enemies. You revive my drooping head; my cup brims with blessing. <sup>6</sup> Your beauty and love chase after me every day of my life. I'm back home in the house of GOD for the rest of my life.

**Directions:** Explain in **250-500 words** how this scripture inspires you and how you relate or will relate it to your studies and life after graduation as you move on into your career.

Your response should be **typed** using a **font size of 12** in **Arial** or **Times New Roman** on 8 ½" x 11" paper. Remember grammar, usage, and mechanics (spelling, sentence form, paragraph development, punctuation, etc.) count so **proofread** your essay carefully prior to submission.

### **Personal Interview Contact Form**

**Purpose:** A personal interview with each of the qualified applicants will be conducted as part of the selection procedure.

**Directions:** Please provide contact and availability information so that the Scholarship Committee can arrange a suitable meeting time and date.

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Home Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of  
Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Home Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### Letters of Reference

**NOTE:** Your application packet is not considered **complete** until **ALL** letters of reference have been received. This page **MUST** be submitted with your application.

#### Church

Reference Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



**Community**

Reference Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(State)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Zip)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**School**

Reference Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(State)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Zip)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**2024 Application Package Checklist**

\_\_\_\_\_ Personal Information

\_\_\_\_\_ Affiliation/Involvement Information

\_\_\_\_\_ Current Transcript

\_\_\_\_\_ Letters of Recommendation (3)

\_\_\_\_\_ Personal Essay

\_\_\_\_\_ Personal Interview Contact Form

\_\_\_\_\_ College Letter (verifying acceptance/attendance)

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***\*\*Please return letters of reference, current transcript, completed application and/or if you have any questions, concerns, or problems, please contact Tamecha Lassiter using the information below. \*\****

**Tamecha Lassiter**

**email:** [tamecha.lassiter@gmail.com](mailto:tamecha.lassiter@gmail.com)

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