



MT. ZION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Erica Alexis Bell
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

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**ERICA ALEXIS BELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND POLICY**

The Erica Alexis Bell Memorial Scholarship has been established to motivate and provide support to those high school graduates desiring to further their education by enrolling in a college, university, or other institution of higher learning. This policy of the Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church outlines the requirements for applicants, the timelines for submission of required documents and the date for the award of scholarship to successful applicants. Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church is committed to helping those qualifying young people achieve a higher education as a part of her mission for the future of God's children. We, at Mt. Zion, believe that each student who desires a college education should be encouraged and supported both financially and spiritually to achieve that goal. The sole purpose of the Erica Alexis Bell Memorial Scholarship is to assist the awarded individual in furthering his or her educational goals.

Scriptures: *Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore, get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding. Proverbs 4:7*

*Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6*

Procedures:

Applicants must be an active member of Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church for a minimum of 6 months prior to January of their high school graduating year.

Consideration for the award of a scholarship will be given to those applicants who meet the following required criteria: Member in good standing of the Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church (regular Church attendance and active participation in the Youth Department) and currently enrolled in a public or private high school in the Columbus area.

All applications and required documents must be submitted to the church office no later than the ***last Sunday in June***. No exceptions will be made.

The applicant must provide documentation of acceptance into an accredited college or university as a full-time student for the application to be processed. Applicants must submit an official transcript that verifies a minimum 2.5 grade point average earned on a 4.0 scale. Applicants must two (2) Letters of Recommendation from a non-family member. Examples: teacher, counselor, principal, and/or community leaders.

Applicants must complete Personal Reflection Essay describing their goals and how this scholarship, if awarded, would help them to achieve their goals. The essay must be five hundred (500) words double-spaced, typed in Times New Roman, 11-point font.

Only those applications submitted by the stated deadline for consideration of the scholarship award. Scholarship awards will be announced during Youth Sunday Service. Deaconess Elaine Bell will review each application and make the final decision. The amount of the scholarship to be awarded will be \$1,000.00.

Erica Bell Scholarship Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Date of Graduation: _____

Name of High-School Graduating From: _____

Name of College Attending: _____

GPA: _____

Names & Telephone Numbers of Persons Writing Letters of Recommendation

1. _____

2. _____

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date Application Completed & Turned In: _____

Youth Pastor Signature: _____

Personal Reflection Essay Requirements

500 Words

Personal Essay:

- What you have accomplished (Awards, Recognition, Etc)
- Your Short Term/Long Term Goals & How Scholarship will help with goals

Please make sure it is typed & doubled spaced

New Times Roman Font

Font Size - 11

Letter of Recommendation

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Why You Recommend Applicant:

Signature: _____

Letter of Recommendation

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Why You Recommend Applicant:

Signature: _____