

Nicholas A. Smith Foundation Financial Assistance Application

Thank you for taking the time to apply for financial assistance from the Nicholas A. Smith Foundation. In keeping with Nicholas Smith's devotion to serving God in the ministry of the Gospel, the mission of the Nicholas A. Smith Foundation is to help build the faith of young Christians by providing financial assistance for educational and service opportunities. We accomplish our mission through scholarships to male Bible majors at select Christian colleges as well as financial aid to young Christian men and women who desire to attend Christian Bible camps or participate in mission trips.

To ensure we have all the information needed and in the order needed for evaluation, please complete this application in full.

Application Instructions

1. Complete each page of this application and sign and date it at the bottom of page 3. If you are under 18 years old as of the date of your application, a parent or guardian must also sign the application. **This application must be completed in its entirety for it to be considered.**
2. Complete the appropriate scholarship questionnaire.
3. Obtain letters of reference from 3 different elders, deacons, preachers or other faithful members of the church of Christ of which you are currently a member. Each letter of recommendation must include:
 - a. The name, address and phone number of the person making the recommendation.
 - b. How long that person has known you, the applicant.
 - c. A brief explanation as to why that person feels that you, the applicant, are deserving of financial assistance.
4. Write an essay, single-spaced, 12 point type, half-inch margins, minimum of 1 page and maximum of 2 pages, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - a. Why you want to be a Bible major, attend a Christian camp, or go on a mission trip.
 - b. How you expect the experience will help you as a Christian.
 - c. What you yourself must do in order to get the most from this experience.
5. Submit the items noted above to the Nicholas A. Smith Foundation as follows:
 - a. If by mail, send to:
Nicholas A. Smith Foundation
ATTN: Financial Assistance Committee
3160 Mulberry Oaks Ct., Dacula, GA 30019
 - b. If by email, send to acsmith3094@gmail.com
6. After your application, letters of reference, and essay are received, they will be reviewed by the board of the Nicholas A. Smith Foundation. Within two weeks of your application package being received by the board, you will receive notification in writing, either by mail or email, of the board's decision. All funds awarded will be paid directly either to the Christian university for Bible major scholarships, the Christian camp for Christian camp awards, or the congregation overseeing the mission trip for mission trip awards.
7. Relatives of the board of the Nicholas A. Smith Foundation are not eligible for financial assistance from the Nicholas A. Smith Foundation.

Reason for Application

I am applying for a general scholarship to assist me as a Bible major at the following Christian institution:

Faulkner University

Freed-Hardeman University

Harding University

Other _____

Date to graduate (or graduated) from high school: _____

Date to enter (or entered) college: _____

I am applying for financial assistance to attend a Christian camp.

Name of Christian camp: _____

Name and phone number of Christian camp director: _____

I am applying for financial assistance to participate in a mission trip.

Where is the mission trip to be held? _____

Dates of mission trip: _____

Congregation whose elders are overseeing the trip: _____

Name and phone number of person organizing the trip: _____

Personal Information

1. Applicant's Full Name:

LAST NAME

FIRST NAME

MIDDLE INITIAL

2. Applicant's Complete Address:

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE/PROVINCE

POSTAL CODE/ZIP CODE

3. Applicant's Phone Number: _____

4. Applicant's Email Address: _____

5. Applicant's Date of Birth: _____

6. Applicant's Gender: Male Female

7. Congregation of the church of Christ of which you are a member:

NAME OF CONGREGATION

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE/PROVINCE

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8. Date you were baptized into Christ for the forgiveness of your sins: _____

By signing below, you affirm that you are in need of financial assistance for the reason you have selected (Christian university scholarship, financial assistance to attend a Christian camp, or financial assistance to participate in a mission trip).

SIGNATURE

DATE

PRINTED NAME OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN IF APPLICANT IS UNDER 18 YEARS OLD

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DATE

Who Should Complete this Form?

- Students who are applying for mission trips that are current Jr/Sr in high school or upcoming college Freshmen
- Students who are applying for college scholarships for upcoming freshmen and sophomores

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[Please give Scriptures to support your answers]

1. Do you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, who died for the sins of the world and rose from the dead?
2. As it pertains to SALVATION...
 - What must a person do to be saved from their sins?
 - Can a person lose his/her salvation? Why or why not?
3. As it pertains to the BIBLE...
 - Do you believe that the Bible is the inspired, inerrant Word of God? Why or why not?
 - Do we need Biblical authority for everything that we believe and practice? Why or why not?
4. As it pertains to the CHURCH...
 - Do you believe that there is one true Church or that there are many different and acceptable churches? Why?
 - Would you consider the Church of Christ a denomination? Why or why not?
 - How can a congregation determine whether or not it is Christ's church?
5. As it pertains to WORSHIP...
 - Do you believe that the church must assemble on the first day of the week? Why or why not?
 - Do you believe that the Lord's Supper must be observed every first day of the week? Why or why not?
 - Do you believe that instrumental music must be prohibited? Why or why not?
 - Do you believe that women must not be allowed to take a leadership function (e.g. preaching, leading prayers/songs, serving communion)? Why or why not?
6. Do you believe that the miraculous gifts of the Holy Spirit still exist among Christians today? Why or why not?
7. Do you believe that it is biblically acceptable for someone to divorce their spouse and get remarried for any reason other than "sexual immorality"? Why or why not?

8. Do you believe that at Christ's second coming He will establish a kingdom on earth and rule from Jerusalem? Why or why not?
9. Do you believe that consuming alcohol or other intoxicating substances that are not medically prescribed is a sin? Why or why not?
10. Do you believe that the creation account occurred over six literal (24 hours) days or six figurative (millions of years) days of creation?