

Oakland Presbyterian Church

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The Percy and Flossie Barber Memorial Scholarship

PURPOSE: To recognize the importance of Oakland Presbyterian Church and the Cleveland community in the lives of Percy and Flossie Barber and to perpetuate their memory. To award an annual scholarship to a deserving student that will provide assistance with post-secondary educational expenses. Mr. and Mrs. Barber, life-long church and community leaders, valued education as a tool to future success.

AWARD: \$1,000 scholarship presented annually.

CRITERIA: 1. Priority will be given first to an active member of Oakland Presbyterian Church (as defined in the Book of Order G-5.0202) who will be graduating from high school and has been accepted to attend an accredited college or university. In the event Oakland has no high school graduates in any particular year, applicants who are completing their freshman year at an accredited college or university and have not previously received this scholarship will be eligible. In the event there are no qualified applicants from Oakland Presbyterian Church, applicants will be considered who are active members of other Presbyterian Churches [Presbyterian Church (USA)] in the Cleveland area.

2. The recipient will be selected based on character, academic achievement, and need.

3. Applicants must complete the “Barber Scholarship Application” form and provide two letters of reference from adults other than family members along with the application. The letters of reference should use the form letters that are included with this application.

4. Applicants will provide a recent photograph suitable for use in a media announcement.

5. The scholarship funds will be forwarded directly to the bursar of the recipient’s chosen college or university. If for any reason the recipient does not enroll and attend college, the awarded funds will be returned to the church and another qualified applicant will be considered.

6. All applications are due in the church office by May 3, 2015.

SELECTION PROCESS: The Session of Oakland Presbyterian Church will annually name a Scholarship Selection Committee who will have the sole responsibility for securing applications and selecting the recipient. This committee shall consist of three active members of Oakland Presbyterian Church who will serve on a three-year rotation and who will respect the wishes of the Barber family as listed in the scholarship criteria and use sound judgment in their review of qualified applicants. No recipient will be considered who is related to a member of the Scholarship Selection Committee. Upon review of qualified applicants, the Committee may request personal interviews with each applicant.

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I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____

Address _____

Social Security Number _____

Date of Birth _____

Phone No. (H) _____ (C) _____

Name of Parent or Guardian _____

Email _____

Church of Which You are a Member _____

II. EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION (To be completed by a school counselor)

High School or College GPA (on a 4.0 scale) _____

SAT Score _____

High School Class rank _____ Out of _____

The applicant has been accepted by or is attending the following college or university:

Please list any other information which would assist the selection committee in considering this applicant.

I certify that the information regarding GPA, class rank, and test scores is accurate.

(Date)

(School Official Signature)

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Letter of Reference Instructions:**

Please use the guidelines below for your comments. You may hand write your answers on this form or type it in a letter. After completion, please seal it in an envelope and write your initials across the seal. Give the sealed envelope to the applicant to include in the Application packet. Thank you for your time.

Name of Applicant

I. (Please tell in what capacity you have known the applicant—teacher, advisor, coach, etc.)

II. (Please tell what you observed about him/her that made him/her stand out to you—activities, leadership roles, etc.)

III. (Please tell what you have observed concerning this applicant's character.)