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### McKeefery Seminary Scholarship Fund

Given by Dr. Ruth M. McKeefery, to honor her husband, Dr. William James McKeefery, and children, Dr. Virginia L. McKeefery-Reynolds, Carol A. McKeefery Banga, and W. James McKeefery.

#### CRITERIA TO DETERMINE DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME

Income from the McKeefery Scholarship Fund is to be distributed using the following criteria:

- Individual is a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church or another United Methodist Church in the Florida Annual Conference.
- Individual is accepted to attend or currently attending a Seminary.
- Individual is planning to be ordained as Deacon, Elder or Seminary Certification in the United Methodist Church.
- Individual demonstrates a personal faith and commitment to full-time Christian service.
- Individual has actively participated in ministries of the church, and served as a volunteer in the community.
- The Scholarship award will be used to pay for tuition, fees and books, and will be paid directly to the Seminary in the recipient's name.
- The minimum Scholarship award will be \$1,000 to each person approved by the award committee.

#### MCKEEFERY SCHOLARSHIP FUND COMMITTEE

The McKeefery Scholarship Fund Committee will be composed of no fewer than three persons appointed by St. Luke's Lay Leadership Committee. Each committee member will be a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church, serve for a term of three-years and may serve another three-year term.

- The committee will announce the availability of the scholarship to the church congregation in January.
- The committee will approve the scholarship application form, determine the application deadline date, and distribute the form.
- The committee will review the applications, select the recipients and determine the amount of the award.
- Each award will be for one academic year, commencing with a Fall Term.
- Students may receive annual awards for four years if enrolled in Seminary.
- The Seminary Scholarship Fund Committee chairperson will be notified by St. Luke's Endowment Committee, or St. Luke's Finance Officer of the total funds available for distribution each year.
- The Seminary Scholarship Fund Committee chairperson will notify St. Luke's finance office with the names of the individuals to receive the award(s).
- The Seminary Scholarship Fund Committee will send a personal letter of their action to the award recipient(s) and other applicants.
- The minimum scholarship award will be \$1,000 to each award recipient.

**MCKEEFERY SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**MCKEEFERY SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION:**

NAME: (Last, First, Middle Initial):

HOME ADDRESS:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

HOME PHONE:

CELL PHONE:

**CHURCH AFFILIATION:**

Name of Church:

Date became member:

List Church Ministries and community activities participated in with dates:

**UNDERGRADUATE COLLEGE INFORMATION:**

Name of College:

College Address:

Degree and Major:

Date of Graduation:

Grade Point Average:

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**SEMINARY INFORMATION:**

Name of Seminary:

Seminary Address:

Student ID Number:

Date of Acceptance:

Matriculation Date:

Degree Program: (check the one that applies) \_\_\_M.Div., \_\_\_M.T.S., \_\_\_D.Div.

**ADDRESS WHERE SCHOLARSHIP CHECK SHOULD BE SENT:**

**FINANCES:**

Estimated expenses for entire school year:

Registration, tuition and other fees	\$
Books and supplies	\$
Living expenses	\$
Total	\$

Estimated income or support available for entire school year:

Personal savings	\$
Personal income	\$
Other scholarships, grants, loans, gifts, etc.	\$
Please list	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
Total	\$

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**PERSONAL STATEMENT**

Please attach a one-page statement of your faith, call and commitment to becoming a Deacon, Elder or another Christian vocation in the United Methodist Church, including any plans you have to pursue particular areas of ministry.

**REQUEST THE FOLLOWING TO BE MAILED TO THE MCKEEFERY SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:**

1. Letter of evaluation from Pastor commenting on the candidate's participation and reputation in the church community.
2. Official transcript from undergraduate college, mailed from that college to the McKeefery Seminary Scholarship Committee.

**ATTACH THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Candidate's statement of faith and commitment to becoming a Deacon or Elder in the United Methodist Church, including plans for the future.
2. Name, address and phone numbers of two references.
3. Copy of letter of acceptance to a Seminary.

**STUDENT ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for consideration, student must:

1. Be a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church, or member of a Florida Conference United Methodist Church.
2. Demonstrate a personal faith and commitment to full-time Christian service.
3. Have actively participated in ministries of the Church.
4. Have served as a volunteer in the community.
5. Be accepted to attend or currently attending a Seminary.
6. Plan to be ordained as a Deacon or Elder in the United Methodist Church.

**APPLICATION AND AWARD DATES**

The McKeefery Seminary Scholarship Committee must receive completed application with all attachments, requested letter and official undergraduate transcript by April 1. Applications can be mailed to the below address or emailed to [scholarship@st.lukes.org](mailto:scholarship@st.lukes.org)

Letters of award decisions will be mailed by May 1.

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