



# Ministerial Financial Assistance Scholarship

## FIRST TIME APPLICATION

School of Christian Studies  
1900 W. 7th Street CMB 1276  
Plainview, TX 79072  
806-291-1160

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

Semester or School Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

## BGCT MINISTERIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

Recipients of the BGCT MFA Scholarship must:

Show evidence of a divine call to a career in vocational or bivocational Christian ministry,

Demonstrate a lifestyle of commitment to the principles of the Christian life,

Be an active member of a BGCT affiliate. Renewal applicants must be a member of a LOCAL BGCT church.

Annually submit a typed personal testimony expressing your call to a career in vocational or bivocational church, denominational, or parachurch Christian Ministry

Annually provide an endorsement of your calling from your church,

Be an active member of WBU's Ministerial Fellowship,

Be in compliance with the Guidelines that were furnished by the Christian Education Coordinating Board of the BGCT.

### APPLICATION CHECKLIST

**BGCT Ministerial Financial Assistance Scholarship Application** - Complete the Student Information Section by printing clearly in ink. Sign and date the agreement. Note that for application purposes, the academic year runs from June 1 through May 31.

**Personal Written Testimony**: (see space provided in this application)

- o First Year Applicants -

## STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ College Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

College Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic Year & Semester(s) applying for (Choose one below):

Summer: \_\_\_\_\_ Fall: \_\_\_\_\_ Winter: \_\_\_\_\_ Spring: \_\_\_\_\_

Classification: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Freshman \_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_ Graduate

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Specialization: \_\_\_\_\_

Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

**WHICH BGCT MINISTERIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE YOU APPLYING FOR?  
(Check one)**

**BGCT MINISTERIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIP ~~FOR~~ UNDERGRADUATES (~~1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR~~)** for full or part time undergraduates, affiliated with any Baptist church, who did not receive a BGCT MFA Scholarship during the previous academic year.

Required classes:

**MNST3000** Introduction to Ministry (at your first opportunity)

**MNST3301** Spiritual Formation or **THST3100** Christian Spirituality

**BGCT MINISTERIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIP ~~FOR~~ GRADUATES (~~1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR~~)** for full or part time graduates, affiliated with a local Baptist General Convention of Texas church who did not begin receiving the BGCT MFA Scholarship for Graduates prior to this academic year.

Required class: **THST5351- Baptist History**.

**AFFIRMATION STATEMENT**

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**FIRST-YEAR Certification Form**  
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**To be completed by PASTOR OR CHURCH LEADER**

**CHURCH CERTIFICATION SECTION**

(Check and complete the appropriate sections below)



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Position at Church \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**CHURCH INFORMATION SECTION**

*Church Name and Address*

Name of Church: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

*Denominational Affiliations*

Baptist association \_\_\_\_\_ City, State \_\_\_\_\_

Baptist state convention \_\_\_\_\_

Baptist affiliations, national \_\_\_\_\_

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**STUDENT COVENANT**

Whereas *Texas Baptist* churches have committed their cooperative missions funds to providing financial assistance to men and women who are preparing for ministry vocations in the church and,

Whereas *Texas Baptist* universities have committed to providing theological education that prepares students for vocations in church-related ministries and,

Whereas I have sensed the call of God in my life to prepare for a vocation in a church-related ministry (such as pastor, church staff, missionary, chaplain);

I hereby enter into a covenant relationship with the churches of the *Baptist General Convention of Texas* to honor the sacred trust they have placed in me through their financial support and,

Should I come to a point in  
longer sense a call to a church-related vocation, I will immediately inform university officials and no longer accept this financial assistance provided by the churches of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

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**During the preceding academic year** I have been an active member of a Baptist church and have been involved with, supportive of, and committed to the ministries of this church in the following ways:

Paid leadership responsibilities: \_\_\_\_\_

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Volunteer leadership or service: \_\_\_\_\_

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Other involvement or means of support: \_\_\_\_\_

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