

**The Rev. Robert L. Poole Memorial Scholarship Fund**  
**Harmony Road Baptist Church**  
**Oshawa, Ontario**  
**2018 Application Form**

**History of Scholarship**

This scholarship was established in the spring of 2011 as a Memorial to the late Rev. Robert L. Poole a former Pastor, who served at Harmony Road Baptist Church {HRBC} from 1985 to 1992 and as Pastor Emeritus from 1992 to 2010. The scholarship was initially developed to encourage individuals who were considering training for Christian ministry to obtain post-secondary education in a Canadian accredited institution, resulting in a degree or diploma to more actively participate in the life of the church.

**Current Scholarship**

**Amount of Scholarship**

The maximum amount of each scholarship awarded will be One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), with the award varying contingent on part time or full time studies.

**Eligibility Criteria**

The purpose of the scholarship is to support an individual who is taking an educational program that has sufficient courses in Christian studies to prepare them for working in Christian ministry upon graduation (e.g. Pastor, counsellor, church administrator, children's ministry). Enrolment in a Christian educational institution does not guarantee a scholarship.

Applicants will be considered if they meet all of the following criteria:

- Resident of Ontario
- Graduate of or are currently on track to graduate from a Canadian secondary school or accredited Canadian educational institution
- Statement of faith that is congruent with the biblical philosophy held by Harmony Road Baptist Church
- Currently involved in Christian ministry
- Enrolled in a program at an accredited post-secondary institution to earn a degree, diploma or certificate. (Participation certificates may be excluded.)
- Christian educational courses must comprise a minimum of 50% of the program of study
- Intending to work in Christian ministry upon graduation

**Terms**

Awarding of the scholarship(s) shall be at the discretion of the Scholarship Selection Committee, based on the eligibility criteria, with their selection being approved by the Board of Directors prior to any announcement of the award. The memorial Scholarship Selection Committee shall consist of a minimum of two (2) active church members and at least one Pastor. This Committee will report directly to the Board of Directors.

**Procedure**

Applicants wishing to apply must follow the "Applicant Procedures and Timing". All applicants will be informed in writing of the decision regarding their scholarship.

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**Contact Information**

Mailing address: Harmony Road Baptist Church  
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Oshawa, ON.  
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Email: [harmonychurch@rogers.com](mailto:harmonychurch@rogers.com)

**Applicant Procedures and Timing**

Procedure	Timing
Please print off, complete and drop off, mail or e-mail signed application with supporting items to Harmony Road Baptist Church (Most current form available as of January on-line at <a href="http://www.harmony-road.com">www.harmony-road.com</a> under Youth Connexion or at the Church office).	Applications available as of January.  <b><u>*Application deadline May 31*</u></b>
A copy of the recipient(s) acceptance for the Offer of Admission from an accredited educational institution. *Proof of enrolment for September is required.	Submit as soon as received.
Selection Committee to notify Board of Directors of recommended recipient(s). May include conditions.  References may be requested.	By June 30
Scholarship recipient(s) will be notified.	Following approval from Board of Directors (July or August)
Forms from the Canada Revenue Agency to be printed, signed and returned to HRBC by the scholarship recipients. <a href="http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pbg/tf/td1/td1-04-16e.pdf">http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pbg/tf/td1/td1-04-16e.pdf</a> <a href="http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pbg/tf/td1on/td1on-16e.pdf">http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pbg/tf/td1on/td1on-16e.pdf</a>	Prior to award being issued,
Award scholarship(s)	Between August and October (cheque must be cashed within calendar year)

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**SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

**First Submission**

**Please submit the following:**

- This page plus Part 1 to Part VIII of application form (do not include page 1 and 2)
- Testimony of Christian faith essay
- Educational experience essay.
- Official record of your most recent academic report
- Pastoral recommendation letter.
- A copy of your acceptance to the Offer of Admission for training in Christian ministry from an accredited educational institution
- Proof of enrollment for training in a Christian ministry from an accredited educational institution (please submit as soon as received). Must receive prior to scholarship being awarded.
- List of courses you are enrolled in or plan on taking this coming academic year

Or

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**Subsequent Application**

**Please submit the following:**

- This page plus Part 1 to Part VIII of the application form (do not include page 1 and 2)
- Testimony of Christian faith essay, Part II, 1b only.
- Educational experience essay, providing an update.
- Pastoral recommendation letter.
- Proof of courses passed since last scholarship application submission
- List of courses you are enrolled in or plan on taking this coming academic year



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**PART II: MY STORY**

- 1) Please provide your testimony up to a maximum of 500 words of your Christian faith.
  - a) Explain why you chose to follow Jesus as your Lord and Saviour.  
How was God leading you to this decision?
  
  - b) Explain how you sense God's leading/directing you in your life currently.  
How do you hear His guidance in your life?  
How is He leading you in your pursuit of Christian studies?  
What are you learning about Him?
  
- 2) Educational Experience. Please provide an essay up to 500 words maximum outlining:
  - a) What do you feel you have accomplished in your educational experience thus far?
  - b) What have you learned from the experience?
  - c) What are your goals and aspirations for the future?
  - d) What is your intended career? Explain what is required to achieve this?

**PART III: FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

1. Provide an estimate of your total education costs for 12 months (September to August):

Tuition \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Books \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Accommodation (Housing/Residence) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Travel (Back and forth to University or College) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other Expenses (Please provide details below) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL EXPENSES** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**PART IV: EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

List the post-secondary institutions that you have received acceptance letters from.

Choice	Name of Institution acceptance letter received from	Address
First		
Alternate		

Or name the post-secondary program you are currently enrolled in:

\_\_\_\_\_

Length of program: \_\_\_\_\_  months or  years

Is more than 50% of the program courses focused on Christian studies?  Yes  No

Full Time; Year of study:  1<sup>st</sup>,  2<sup>nd</sup>,  3<sup>rd</sup>,  4<sup>th</sup>

Part Time: (#) \_\_\_\_\_ courses this academic year (September to August)

Anticipated graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_ (m/y)

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**PART V: CHURCH AFFILIATION AND INVOLVEMENT**

I am a member of a Christian church.     Yes         No

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

I attend church/worship     one or more times/week     2-3 times/month     sporadically

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1) Explain how you have been involved in Christian ministry in the past and the present.

2) Explain your spiritual gifts and how you are using them in ministry. If reapplying, how has this changed?

3) Outline the Christian impact you are having upon others.

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**PART VI: VOLUNTEER/ WORK INVOLVEMENT**

Complete chart below and then outline why you chose these three.

Location	Primary Responsibilities	For how long	Reference

Explanation:

**PART VII: EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

List extracurricular activities, interests, and/or hobbies.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_



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**PART VIII: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND AUTHORIZATION**

Please read and initial each statement before signing.

- I certify that all the information provided on this application form and in all of the accompanying documents is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge..
  
  - I have read and understand the Rev. Robert L. Poole Memorial Scholarship application package. By submitting this application I agree to be bound by all criteria, terms and requirements
  
  - I authorize the release of any information to the Harmony Road Baptist Church Scholarship Program relating to my application which may include secondary school, university, college, church and/or community sources.
  
  - For promotion of the program, I authorize the use of my first name and last name initial ~~used~~ in public acknowledgment, without remuneration or consideration, at Harmony Road Baptist Church, Canadian Baptists of Ontario and Quebec (CBOQ) and Trent Valley Association of Baptist Churches (TVA), should I be awarded a scholarship.
- Yes       No

**Applicant Signature**

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Print Name

Signature

Date:

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**Parent/guardian Signature:**

(Please have your parent/guardian sign this application form, if you are under 18 years if age.)

I certify that all the information provided on this application form and in all the accompanying documents is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

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Print Name

Signature

Date: