



**EAST OHIO CONFERENCE
JOHN M. ROSEBERRY
COMMISSION ON RELIGION AND RACE
SCHOLARSHIP GRANT**

WHAT?

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

WHO IS ELIGIBLE? ANY RACIAL-ETHNIC MINORITY COLLEGE BOUND STUDENT WHO IS A MEMBER OF A LOCAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN THE EAST OHIO CONFERENCE

HOW TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION?

BY MAIL:

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
8800 CLEVELAND AVENUE NW - PO BOX 2800
NORTH CANTON, OHIO 44720

BY EMAIL:

SHAWNDELLE@EOCUMC.COM

ONLINE:

WWW.EOCUMC.COM/SCHOLARSHIPS

DEADLINE? COMPLETED APPLICATIONS MUST BE **RECEIVED** IN THE CONFERENCE OFFICE NO LATER THAN **MARCH 31, 2017.**

PLEASE POST

BIOGRAPHY OF JOHN M. ROSEBERRY

Rev. John M. Roseberry graduated from Colonel Crawford High School, Galion, Ohio, and Mount Union College, Alliance, Ohio from which he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in religion and philosophy. He continued his education at Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, D.C., graduating with a Master of Divinity degree.

While there he specialized in Urban Ministry. He began his ministry as a student intern while still at Mount Union College, and served as a student co-pastor in the Baltimore Conference with his wife Rev. Barbara Y. Roseberry.

After seminary he served these appointments in the East Ohio Conference: North Mentor, Centenary; and Euclid, Masters until the time of his death.

To remember John is to recall a man who lived out what he believed.

His life was the very reflection of the God he loved.

John stood firm in his commitment to his family, to social concerns, on matters relating to human needs, and on issues dealing with racism.

In these areas John put his energies and love where they could make a difference: serving on the ministerial support team for Hospice of Lake County, actively supporting Forbes House, a shelter for battered women and children, as part of their community education team, and as one of three local ministers who volunteered for Career Beginnings, a group of concerned citizens that encouraged college-bound minority students.

At his death he was chairperson of the Conference Commission on Religion and Race, and chairperson of the Conference Task Force on Racism.

As a result of these positions, he also received additional training at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Creative Non-Violence in Atlanta, Ga.

John died at the age of 35 from complications of pneumonia.

Monies received in his memory were donated to the East Ohio Foundation to help provide college scholarships for ethnic minority students. He is survived by his wife, a ministerial member of the East Ohio Conference, and his son Jeremy C. Roseberry.

He was preceded in death by his older son, Joshua M. Roseberry.

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDELINES
COMMISSION ON RELIGION AND RACE
EAST OHIO CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

REQUIREMENTS

- A member of a minority group as defined by the General Commission on Religion and Race (Asian, Hispanic, Native American, African American, other racial/ethnic group).
- A member of a United Methodist Church in the East Ohio Conference.
- **First time applicants:** Official Letter of acceptance by an accredited university, college, or licensed technical or vocational institution beyond high school.
- Official transcript sent directly from the school to the East Ohio Conference Office.
- Written Essay: **(First time applicants)** "How has your faith in Christ had an impact on your life, and how might it affect your future development?" **(Returning applicants)** "How has your faith in Christ had an impact in your present college experience this year?" **(Essay must be at least 250 words.)**
- Letters of Reference: First time applicants /3 letters; Returning applicants /2 letters.
- Photograph of applicant (First time applicants only).
- Completion of the application process and forwarding the appropriate information to the Scholarship Committee meeting the designated deadline of March 31, 2017.
- **Should the student be awarded a scholarship, we ask that the student write a thank you note/letter to the Scholarship Committee.**

CRITERIA

- Scholastic ability/standing. Other possible considerations: Financial status; Additional sources of income for education; Indication of commitment to Christian vocation.
- Membership and involvement with local church and/or campus or other ministry
- Student may not receive a John Roseberry Scholarship Award more than four times. (Exception to be made for Engineering, Medical, and other 5 plus year degrees)
- Scholarship grants are intended for **undergraduate level** of study. Awarded grants will be sent to the applicant or their family in the applicant's name.

PROCEDURE

- **Completed application, written statement, letters of reference, and current official transcripts must be received at the Conference Office no later than March 31, 2017. Applications received after the deadline will not be processed.**
- **Scholarship Committee screens and processes the application and will send notification of any action taken by June 9, 2017 (Please do not call prior to this date).**
- **SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS WILL BE MADE ONCE PER YEAR. Applications that do not adhere to requirements, criteria and procedures are subject for review, will not be processed, and will be returned to you.**

**2017-2018
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST
COMMISSION ON RELIGION AND RACE
EAST OHIO CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

****ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE TYPED OR PRINTED CLEARLY****

**The COMPLETED application must be received at the East Ohio
Conference Office by March 31, 2017 to be considered.**

A complete application will include:

- _____ **Official Transcript of Grades** (*Transcript must be sent directly from school.*)

- _____ **Official Letter of Acceptance from Educational Institution** (First time applicants)

- _____ **Signed Student Application Form**

- _____ **Typed Essay** (First Time and Returning Applicants)

- _____ **2 Reference Letters (Returning Applicants** who have previously received a Religion & Race scholarship)
 - 1 letter from church pastor (if parent is pastor then please have a youth leader or another lay person from the church who is familiar with student submit the letter.)
 - 1 letter from school (from teacher, professor, or counselor)

- _____ **3 Reference Letters (First Time Applicants** who have never received a Religion & Race Scholarship.)
 - 1 letter from church pastor (if parent is pastor then please have a youth leader or another lay person from the church who is familiar with student submit the letter.)
 - 1 letter from school (from teacher, professor, or counselor)
 - A personal letter of recommendation (from someone who is not a relative)
 - a) The length of time you've known the applicant.
 - b) How you have worked/related with the applicant?
 - c) Why you feel the applicant is deserving of a scholarship?

- _____ **Photograph (First Time Applicants)**

- _____ **If eligible, I checked the New London Grace application box.**

After completing this checklist, applicant should sign, date and include this page with all scholarship application material. Mail to:

**Commission on Religion and Race
Scholarship Application
8800 Cleveland Avenue NW – P.O. Box 2800
North Canton, Ohio 44720**

Scholarship Applicant's Signature

Date

DEADLINE: APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED IN OFFICE BY MARCH 31, 2017

**COMMISSION ON RELIGION AND RACE
EAST OHIO CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
JOHN ROSEBERRY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Please check box if applying for the New London Grace Scholarship

Please **TYPE** or **PRINT** clearly.

DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2017

Returning Applicant **New Applicant** (provide recent photo)

Date _____

Name _____
Last First MI

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

Ethnic Minority Group _____

Church Name _____

Pastor Name _____

Church Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Church District: _____

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***Complete this section if you are a: HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR**

Name of High School _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Graduation _____ GPA (7th semester) _____

Name of Counselor or High School Reference _____

Name and Address of College or Institution (**include letter of acceptance in packet**)

Name of Institution _____

Address of Institution _____

Have you been notified of acceptance Yes No

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***Complete this section if you are currently enrolled as a: COLLEGE STUDENT**

Name of College/Institution _____

Address of Institution _____ City _____

P.O. Box _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date Enrolled _____ Class Standing _____ as of _____ (Date)

Major Study Area _____ College Advisor _____

Accumulative Grade Point Average _____

This section: Complete the category that applies to you)

I. Adult Students (Married or single head of household):

Applicant Occupation _____

Spouse Occupation (if applicable) _____

Yearly Household Income \$ _____

II. Independent Students (You have a Guardian):

Guardian Full Name(s) _____

Address _____ City _____

Zip Code _____ Home Phone _____ Office _____

Number of other siblings in the home _____

Name of sibling(s) _____ Age _____

Of the applicant's siblings, how many are attending college? _____

Single parent household Yes No

Guardian Occupation _____

Yearly Household Income \$ _____

III. Dependent Students (Parents claim you as dependent on 2015 Tax Return):

Parent(s) Full Name _____

Address _____ City _____

Zip Code _____ Home Phone _____ Office _____

Number of other siblings in the home _____

Name of sibling(s) _____ Age _____

Of the applicant's siblings, how many are attending college? _____

Single parent household Yes No

Parent/Stepparent 1's Occupation _____

Parent/Stepparent 2's Occupation _____

Yearly Household Income \$ _____

IV. Itemize budget for 2017-18 school year (be as complete as possible):

Tuition \$ _____

Room \$ _____

Books \$ _____

Lab & other Fees \$ _____

Other (If exceeds \$200 please itemize) \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

V. What amount of the total cost of this year's education budget will your family provide? _____

VI. What financial aid (including grants, scholarship, loans, etc.) have you applied for, already received, or have been awarded? Itemize amount and source:

1. _____

2. _____

REMEMBER: It is **THE APPLICANT’S RESPONSIBILITY** to be sure that **ALL INFORMATION** is **received** by **March 31, 2017**. It is the applicant’s responsibility to call to see if all items have been received by the due date.

Mail completed application to: Religion & Race Scholarship Committee, PO Box 2800, North Canton OH 44720

CHECK AND DOUBLE CHECK YOUR CHECKLIST:

1. Have you been accepted by a college or training institution? If not, do so right away.
2. Have you filed for assistance for the **College’s Financial Aid Department**?
If not, do so **NOW!** Most colleges have a Financial Aid Plan.
3. Have you requested your High School or College to forward your official transcript?
If not, do so **NOW!** (Allow time to arrive at the Conference Office by **March 31, 2017**)
4. Have you completed every section of this application? If not, do so **NOW!**
5. Have you attached a typed statement which answers the question:
(First time applicants) "How has your faith in Christ had an impact on your life and how might it affect your future development?"
(Returning applicants) "How has your faith in Christ had an impact in your present college experience this year?"
Essays must be a Minimum 250 words: If not, do so **NOW!**
6. ***** REQUIRED SIGNATURES *****

Applicant’s Signature

Date

Pastor’s Printed Name

Pastor’s Signature

Date

Pastor’s Church & Address

City

State

Zip

7. **MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:** _____

8. **ADDRESS WHERE CHECK SHOULD BE SENT**(not required to be payable to the school):
All checks will be sent no later than August 2017 to the name and address below. **(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)**

Address

City

State

Zip

9. ***Return ALL requested information at one time in a 9 x 12 envelope. (Official Transcripts are sent separately)**

10. **MAIL ALL APPLICATION INFORMATION TO: DEADLINE DATE:**

Religion & Race Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 2800 • North Canton, Ohio 44720

MARCH 31, 2017

******* This section to be completed by Scholarship Committee *******

Date received by Commission on Religion & Race _____

Action Taken _____ Date Action Taken _____

Student Notified Yes No

Other _____

SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT RELEASE REQUEST FORM

**Scholarship Committee
Commission on Religion and Race
East Ohio Conference of The United Methodist Church**

TO _____
(Name of High School, College/Institution)

ADDRESS _____

REGARDING STUDENT _____
Last Name First Name M.I.

ADDRESS _____

You are hereby requested to release an official transcript to the Scholarship Committee, Commission on Religion and Race, East Ohio Conference of The United Methodist Church, and forward to the Scholarship Committee.

Commission on Religion and Race
Scholarship Committee
East Ohio Conference UMC
P.O. Box 2800
North Canton, OH 44720

Signature of Student(s) or Guardian(s)

Date

**TRANSCRIPTS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE EAST OHIO
CONFERENCE OFFICE BY MARCH 31, 2017 DEADLINE.**

***NOTE TO STUDENT/PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S):**
This form is to be sent directly by you to the college/institution you have designated above.

SCHOLARSHIP LETTER OF REFERENCE FORM

**Scholarship Committee
Commission on Religion and Race
East Ohio Conference of The United Methodist Church**

_____ has applied for a scholarship from the
(Name of Applicant)

Commission on Religion and Race. Your name has been given as a reference.

Kindly assist the Scholarship Committee by providing information concerning any/or
all of the following:

- a) Relationship and involvement with local church
- b) Involvement in school/campus
- c) Indication of commitment to Christian vocation
- d) General character
- e) Scholastic ability/standing
- f) Length of time you have known the applicant
- g) How you have worked/related to the applicant
- h) Why you feel the applicant is deserving of this scholarship

(PLEASE TYPE)

Please return letter to applicant in a sealed envelope.

Letter must be received at Conference Office by March 31, 2017.

Signed _____
Applicant Signature

Address _____
Applicant Address

Date _____

***NOTE TO STUDENT/PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S)**

Make copies of this form in order to distribute to
Respondents writing letters of reference for you.