

# APPLICATION PACKAGE Gayle S. Joyner Memorial Scholarship Application

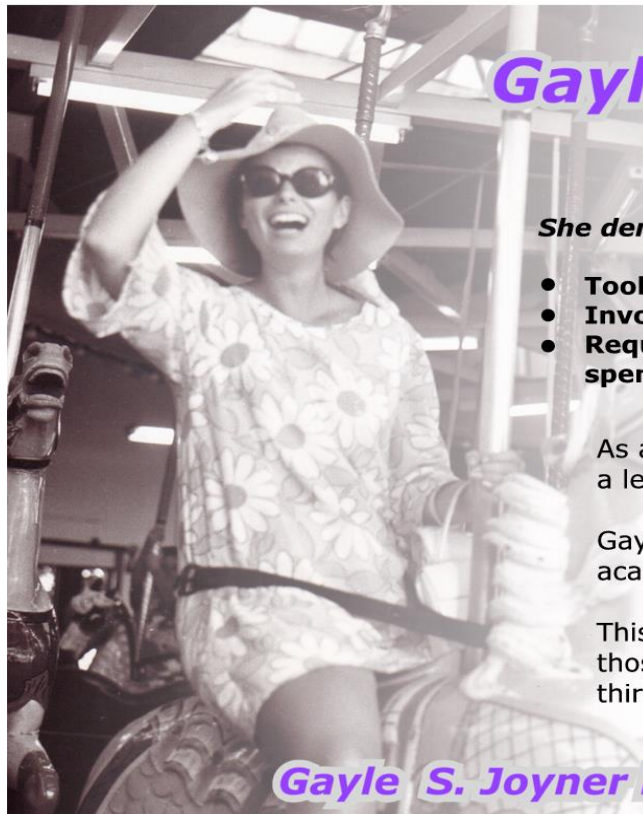
Mail application (postmarked by the fourth Friday in February) to:  
Bethany Scholarship Board  
1375 Hiller Road  
Waterford, MI 48327  
[office@bethanywaterford.org](mailto:office@bethanywaterford.org)  
phone: 248-681-2130 fax: 248-681-9798

Completing this scholarship package enters the student as a candidate for the Gayle S. Joyner Memorial Scholarship.

Gayle S. Joyner believed in the importance of education. In support of this belief, she established an endowment to provide at least two \$5000 scholarships per academic year. Additional scholarships of lesser amounts may be awarded.

Each scholarship will be awarded in two parts, half per semester. The award for the second semester will be contingent upon receipt of a transcript of first semester grades that shows academic achievement.

Gayle S. Joyner established the endowment to be governed and the scholarships awarded by a board elected by Bethany Church.



***Gayle Loved Life***  
***Gayle Did Not Love Money***

***She demonstrated that it:***

- **Took hard work to earn**
- **Involved discipline to save**
- **Required sacrifice to not selfishly spend it all**

As a result, she now leaves behind a legacy of love and compassion.

Gayle has established an endowment for academic scholarships.

This will provide educational funding for those who have financial need and are truly thirsty to learn, grow and help others in return.

***Gayle S. Joyner Memorial Scholarship***

**Deadline** for submitting applications for the upcoming academic year is the **Fourth Friday in February**. All applications become the property of the Bethany Church Gayle S. Joyner Memorial Scholarship Board.

## **Eligibility Requirements**

- The applicant must be a graduating high school student, college/university undergraduate or graduate student who is a resident within the boundaries of Pontiac, Waterford or West Bloomfield school districts.
- The applicant can also be a qualifying student from Oakland County, Michigan, who is recommended by a Bethany Church member.
- The applicant must be a citizen of the United States.

## **Criteria for Selection**

- The applicant must exhibit the ambition to learn and advance as demonstrated and confirmed by academic achievement.
- The applicant must exhibit character and concern for others as demonstrated by volunteer service to those outside one's immediate family.
- There must be true financial need as confirmed by submitted application with financial documentation and careful interview of applicant by Bethany Scholarship Board.
- The Board will select students who must enroll as full-time students and are likely to complete a full college program if given financial assistance.
- Students should demonstrate leadership potential, solid communication and social skills as demonstrated by their eagerness to learn and participate in school, community or faith based service.
- Probability that the student will make a substantial contribution to society over his/her lifetime, particularly if an educational opportunity is given.

## APPLICATION PACKAGE REQUIREMENTS

**All documents must be one-sided and paper clipped together (no staples).  
Submit all of the following, completed in their entirety, in the following order:**

### 1. A Completed Application Form

Applications are available at <http://bethanywaterford.org/scholarships/> as a fill in .pdf file.

### 2. Three Letters of Recommendation signed and dated within the past year

No more than one page each from the following individuals, who must be non-relatives

- Teacher, counselor or school administrator
- Community member, pastor, coach, youth advisor, volunteer coordinator or employer
- Peer or friend

Signed and dated letters should highlight the applicant's participation in the community and school. Please comment on community service, volunteer work, school and community contributions, activities, or efforts to help others. Describe the applicant's social skills, motivation to serve and succeed, and potential for leadership. Include specific examples.

### 3. Personal Essay

Please describe for the Scholarship Board your goals, aspirations, and anticipated or current major. Include what you hope to contribute to society. Autobiographical information will be helpful. Describe your best personal qualities. If you have encountered obstacles, describe how you overcame them.

Limit your typed response to three one-sided pages, 12 point, double-spaced, 8 ½ x 11 white paper.

### 4. Official Transcript

Enclose a copy of your most current transcript.

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#### Final Selection:

- Interviews will be held with the finalists.
- The decision of the Scholarship Board is final.

#### Payment Schedule:

- Half of the scholarship is payable for fall semester
- Remaining half is payable after receipt of fall semester transcript showing satisfactory progress. Please email transcripts to [office@bethanywaterford.org](mailto:office@bethanywaterford.org) or mail to Bethany Church, 1375 Hiller Rd., Waterford, MI 48327

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