



THE HINKITCH IRVIN BELL Memorial Scholarship Award

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION
2020



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Name of Applicant: _____

HINKITCH IRVIN BELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

**c/o Cheryl Bell-Brathwaite
17434 Celebration Way
Dumfries, Virginia 22025**

March 1, 2020

Dear Student:

We are delighted that you will be graduating in June and that you are planning to attend college to further your education. In that regard, we are partnering with the First Mount Zion Baptist Church to offer you The Hinkitch Irvin Bell Memorial Scholarship Award, a scholarship specifically for First Mount Zion Baptist Church graduating high school seniors. This Scholarship was created in March, 2020, to help you toward your educational endeavors.

Attached is the Scholarship Application Form which must be completed and submitted on or before May 1, 2020 in order that the Committee can process it and make a determination as to your eligibility to receive this scholarship. Please note that all questions must be completed and all required backup documentation submitted.

If you are the recipient of this Award, you will be notified by letter. We wish you every success in your future endeavors.

God bless you.

Yours in Christ,

Cheryl Bell-Brathwaite
Daughter of Honoree

Attachments

BIO OF ELDER HINKITCH IRVIN BELL



Elder Bell was born in Panama during the time in which his father was a part of the crew selected from Barbados to go to Panama to help build the Panama Canal. His godfather was Marcus Mosiah Garvey, Jr. He immigrated to Barbados at seven years old. He spent over 50 years working in the Public Health Service sector, coordinating and training Public Health & Sanitary Inspectors in the Environmental Health field, in Barbados, Jamaica, Grenada, Trinidad & Tobago, and other areas throughout the Caribbean region. He also traveled to the United States and United Kingdom to work with the World Health Organization (WHO) as a consultant.

Elder Bell, during his early years as a pioneer in Public Health, found himself challenged by the outbreak of swine fever in Barbados and, undoubtedly, played a pivotal role in its eradication.

In 1994 and again in 1997 he was honored by the Government of Jamaica for his outstanding contributions to the field of Public Health in the region. As a result of his stellar work, in November 1998 he received the Silver Crown of Merit Award from the Governor General of Barbados for his outstanding achievements in the field of Public Health for over 50 years. He also received numerous other commendations for his work and is considered one of the pioneers in the Public Health Movement.

Elder Bell was a family man, who impressed upon everyone with whom he came in Contact, the importance of education. He was an avid reader, believing that reading is knowledge. Most importantly, Elder Bell was a Christian and Pastor who enjoyed preaching the gospel and teaching what Christianity really means. His life's motto was "... Only what you do for Christ will last."

This scholarship has been created in memory of his legacy and in support of higher education for tomorrow's leaders!

Name of Applicant: _____

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

- Be a graduating high school senior in the 2019-2020 academic school year
- Be a member of First Mount Zion Baptist Church (FMZBC) in Dumfries, Virginia for a minimum of two (2) years
- Have a minimum high school cumulative GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale
- Be accepted and enrolled in an accredited institution of higher learning (college, university, community college) in the Fall 2020 semester
- Be involved in extracurricular activities and/or community service

AWARD

One (1) \$1,500 scholarship to be applied toward tuition, fees, or books

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Scholarship will be mailed directly to the applicant's chosen institution of higher learning after receipt of verification of enrollment, which is different from verification of acceptance. Further instructions for issuing the award will be included in the scholarship recipient's award letter.

Name of Applicant: _____

SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS

- Applicants must submit a signed and dated application postmarked on or before Friday, May 1, 2020 (*incomplete packets will be disqualified*).
- Submit an Official Transcript in a sealed envelope from your Counseling Office.
- Include at least one acceptance letter from an accredited institution of higher learning (college, university, community college).
- Include a written essay (not to exceed 250 words; typed; 12pt font and double-spaced) on why you believe you should receive this award.
- Obtain two letters of recommendation from non-family members. These recommendations should be from a teacher, counselor, community leader, faith-based representative, or a representative from your extracurricular activity.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- Include a list of extracurricular activities; community service; and FMZBC ministry participation, along with the date of involvement, supervisor's name and contact number
- The applicant's name should be at the bottom of each page, as indicated
- Must meet any other requirements as stated within this Scholarship Packet

DEADLINE:

- Applications must be RECEIVED by Friday, May 1, 2020

- Applications should be submitted to:
First Mount Zion Baptist Church
The Hinkitch Bell Memorial Scholarship Award
c/o Academic Education Ministry
16622 Dumfries Road
Dumfries, VA 22025

- Questions or additional information may be directed via email to:

Mr. Gerry Griffin, Chairman, AEM at AEM@firstmountzionbc.org
or Rev. Dr. Tracey Dawkins Holley at tholley@firstmountzionbc.org

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Name of Applicant: _____

THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(Please print all information legibly in black or blue ink.)

Full Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Email: _____

Home Telephone Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

Length of Church Membership (minimum of two (2) years): _____

When did you join FMZBC: _____ (Year) _____ (Month)

List your FMZBC Member Number: _____

Names of Parents/Guardians: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

High School _____ Telephone Number: _____

Street Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Name of Counselor: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Expected Date of High School Graduation: _____

Your GPA (to be verified by your Official Transcript): _____

Name of College (include acceptance letter in Scholarship Packet): _____

Name of Applicant: _____

RATING SHEET

(This information will be completed by the Scholarship Committee)

Types	Points Awarded	Your Points
Extracurricular Activities	15 points maximum (5 points each)	
Completed Quality Application (including official transcript, 250 word essay, two letters of recommendation, a list of activities, and at least one letter of college acceptance)	25 points maximum	
Grade Point Average 2.7 to 3.0 - 20 points 3.1 and above - extra 5 points	25 points Maximum	
Community Service	20 points maximum (5 points each)	
First Mount Zion Ministry Participation	15 points maximum	
Total Points	100 points Maximum	

Additional Comments or Observations (if any): _____

Signature of Scholarship Committee Evaluator: _____

Date: _____

Name of Applicant: _____