

Edwin W. Peurifoy Scholarship  
Announcement  
Fall and Spring Semesters

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Bethel United Methodist Church announces the Edwin W. Peurifoy Scholarships for the fall and spring semesters.

- The application deadlines are:

Fall Semester	July 1 <sup>st</sup>
Spring Semester	January 2 <sup>nd</sup>
- An application package, including instructions, is available on the church website at [www.walterborobethelumc.org](http://www.walterborobethelumc.org) and in the church office at 355 Hampton Street during regular office hours.
- Applicants are advised that the application has been revised, and they should become familiar with it and the instructions.
- A statement signed by the applicant's pastor is part of the application. Applicants should start early in order to submit a complete application in a timely manner.

**BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**Edwin W. Peurifoy Scholarship**  
**Application Instructions**

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1. Applications are accepted on a semester-by-semester basis. The deadline to receive applications is on the church website at [www.walterborobethelumc.org](http://www.walterborobethelumc.org).
2. The scholarship is for full-time study at a school (institution of higher learning) accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, or similar organization in another part of the country. Study may be at the undergraduate or graduate level. Full-time status is determined by the school.
3. The scholarship award amount is at least \$1,000 but is often more and varies from semester to semester. The award amount for a seminary student is double the amount of other awards for that semester.
4. The applicant must be a resident of Colleton County, South Carolina. A copy of the applicant's driver's license or voter registration card must be included.
5. The applicant must be a professing member of the United Methodist Church and obtain a statement from the pastor of his or her church. The statement form is on the church website. The church doesn't have to be in Colleton County. The scholarship committee will consider a request for an exception to this requirement from an applicant who submits a written explanation why he or she cannot meet it.

6. A 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale is considered a “B” average. Let us know if your school grades on a different scale. For continuing students the 3.0 GPA must be accomplished in the previous semester and is not cumulative. Summer school grades are not considered.
7. New students must include a copy of their high school transcript showing GPA and class rank.
8. Continuing students must include a copy of their school transcript for the prior semester. It can be an unofficial transcript, but must clearly show the student’s name and the semester, along with the name, hours and grade on each course.
9. A completed application package may be mailed to the church, dropped by the church office during regular office hours, or emailed to [bethelwboro@lowcountry.com](mailto:bethelwboro@lowcountry.com). It is the applicant’s responsibility to confirm that his or her application package has been received by the deadline. Grades not available by the application deadline may be submitted later.
10. The scholarship committee’s intent is for this application process to be as simple and objective as possible. Please contact committee chair John Thomas at (843) 224-1858 or [jathomasjr34@yahoo.com](mailto:jathomasjr34@yahoo.com) if you have any questions about the Peurifoy Scholarship Program or the application requirements.

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The church is thankful for Mr. Peurifoy’s significant gift that endowed this ministry to increase the higher education opportunities of Colleton County citizens. More than \$1,000,000 has been awarded in scholarships since 2009.

**BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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Edwin W. Peurifoy Scholarship Application for \_\_\_\_\_(Semester) \_\_\_\_\_(Year)

See scholarship application instructions on the church website at

[www.walterborobethelumc.org](http://www.walterborobethelumc.org) .

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

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

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

**Check the following statements that apply to you and attach the requested information.**

\_\_\_\_\_ I am a legal resident of Colleton County, SC. (Attach copy of your driver's license or voter registration card.)

\_\_\_\_\_ I am a professing member of the following United Methodist Church. (Attach church membership statement signed by pastor.)

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

Church Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will be a full-time student at the following school for the upcoming semester. Check here if you are a seminary student. [ ]

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

School Website: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will be a new student for the upcoming semester and graduated from high school with at least a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale or in the top half of my class. (Attach copy of your high school transcript.)

\_\_\_\_\_ I will be a continuing student for the upcoming semester and had at least a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale for the previous semester. (Attach copy of your last semester grades.)

I hereby certify that all my submitted information is true and correct.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Bethel United Methodist Church**  
**Edwin W. Peurifoy Scholarship Application**  
**Church Membership Statement Form**

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The Peurifoy Scholarship Program requires an applicant to be a professing member of a United Methodist Church, and we request that you complete this form for the student named below.

**Name of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of United Methodist Church:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Pastor:** \_\_\_\_\_

As pastor of the United Methodist Church named above, I hereby certify that the applicant named above is a professing member of this United Methodist Church, according to the definition in paragraph 215, page 151, item 12 of the *2012 Book of Discipline*, which states that “the professing membership of a local United Methodist Church shall include all baptized people who have come into membership by profession of faith through appropriate services of the baptismal covenant in the ritual or by transfer from other churches.”

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Signature of Pastor