**Covenant Association**

**Michigan Conference United Church of Christ**

**MID** (**M**ember **I**n **D**iscernment) **Scholarship**

**Purpose of these scholarship funds:** to provide financial support to Covenant Association MIDs

**Criteria & Policy Guidelines**

**Examples of financial allocations** (including but not limited to):

1. Tuition assistance
2. Purchase of educational books and resources
3. Special ministry educational opportunities (e.g. webinars, seminars, etc.)
4. Specialized ministerial training (e.g. youth ministry, interim ministry, etc.)
5. Criminal background checks
6. Boundary Training through the Michigan Conference
7. Support for attending Association, Conference or National setting events (e.g. Synod)

**Scholarship Eligibility**

1. Applicant must be a member of a Covenant Association church
2. Applicant must be a Member in Discernment (MID) with the Covenant Association
3. Preference given to first-time applicants
4. Grants awarded based on need, merit and funds available at time of application.
5. Requested funds must meet approved allocations for use and:
	1. Must be consistent with the biblical and theological principles and vision of the Covenant Association, Michigan Conference and the United Church of Christ.
	2. Must provide ministerial vocational development through educational programs and other opportunities
	3. Recipients are expected to provide a written report regarding the impact of the funding by the end of the fiscal year in which the funds are disbursed (Dec. 31)

**How to Apply:**

1. Complete the MID Scholarship Application (pages 2-3 of this document)
2. Deadline for applications: by the 15th of the month
3. Return application to:
	1. Committee on Ministry Chair
		1. Case Van Kempen (casevankempen@yahoo.com)
		2. Questions? Email or call Case at 616-405-1604
	2. Copy to Keith Koebel, Treasurer
		1. Email: lkoebelucc@yahoo.com
		2. Mailing address: 7662 El Cajon Ln, Jackson, MI 49201

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Date:

Name:

Address:

 Email:

 Phone:

Church Membership

 Name of Church:

 Address:

1. Briefly explain the purpose of this scholarship (e.g. tuition, seminar registration, etc.)
2. **For a special event/educational opportunity,** please indicate the following:
	1. Date of the event/opportunity:
	2. Name of event:
	3. Event Sponsor (e.g. Michigan UCC, Interim Ministry Network, etc.)
		1. Name of Organization:
		2. Address:
		3. Phone:
	4. Registration deadline:
	5. Registration Fee: $
	6. **Amount requested: $**

**ATS** (**A**ssociation of **T**heological **S**chools) **Seminary Scholarship Request**

1. Seminary Name:
2. Financial Aid Officer:
	1. Address:
	2. Email:
	3. Phone:
3. Intended academic year for this application (e.g. 2023-24)
4. Enrollment part-time student full-time student
5. Anticipated costs for the academic year:
	1. Tuition $
	2. Books & supplies $
6. **Scholarship amount requested: $**
7. Anticipated year of graduation:
8. Degree to be earned upon completion (e.g. M.Div., DMin):
9. Have you applied for and/or received other scholarships or academic grants? [ ] Yes [ ] No

If yes, please provide specifics:

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| **Scholarship/Grant Name** | **Date of Application/Award** | **Amount Awarded** |
|  |  | $ |
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1. Please add any additional information or comments that would be helpful to the Committee on Ministry and Covenant Association Executive Team.