

**Mt. Olivet Baptist Church
Friend-Gardner-Love Scholarship
Application Deadline: May 7, 2023**

The Friend-Gardner-Love Scholarship is named for three women who were committed disciples at MOBC before each one passed into the next life. Dr. Gloria S. **Friend** was a public-school teacher and volunteered to assume the position as the first administrator of what later became the Gloria S. Friend Christian Academy at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church. Mrs. Joann King **Gardner** was married to Deacon Ralph Gardner and was a loving mother to three children, worked at Ross Labs, and was a faithful member of the usher ministry. Sister Lina **Love** was a retired public-school teacher, who taught in the Gloria S. Friend Christian Academy. Contributions have been made to this scholarship in honor of each of these women.

Eligibility: ***Two qualifying students will each receive a \$1000 scholarship, preferably one male and one female. The scholarship will be distributed in August.***

Requirements:

- **Student must be an active disciple or participant at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church and a regular attendee (in-person or on-line).**
- Students must be accepted into an accredited 2-year or 4-year institution or accredited graduate school. If you are a **first-year student, a letter of acceptance must be a part of your application packet.** Vocational programs are not acceptable.
- Students must provide an **official transcript.** The transcript is required from first year as well as returning students. The transcript must not be opened and must be submitted to the attention of:

**Dr. Gene T. Harris, chair
Friend-Gardner-Love Scholarship Committee
Mt. Olivet Baptist Church
428 E. Main Street
Columbus, OH 43215**

- Applicants **must have a minimum of 3.0** grade point average on a 4.0 scale.
- If you also are applying for the James L. Thompson scholarship, **one official transcript** will suffice for both.

- Submit a no more than 2-page, double-spaced, type written essay. **See topic on page 4.**
- **Returning students (have previously had this scholarship) must have completed ten hours of community service. Included in your application packet must be a statement from the organization where you completed your community service, verifying that you completed the 10 hours.**
- Complete demographic information page.

Late applications may not receive consideration. Scholarship packets must be returned to the church office or directly to Dr. Harris no later than May 7, 2023. The scholarship committee will thoroughly review all scholarship applications.

Remember, your packet represents you! An incomplete application will not be processed.

Friend-Gardner-Love Scholarship Demographic Information
Mt. Olivet Baptist Church
428 East Main Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Full Name: _____

Parent(s) Name if applicable: _____

Permanent Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

Cell: _____

Email Address _____

College/University/attending: _____

Type of Institution:

_____ 2 Year College

_____ 4 Year College or University

_____ Graduate school

Classification:

_____ First Year _____ Sophomore

_____ Junior _____ Senior _____ Graduate school

Anticipated Date of Graduation: _____

Declared or projected area of study/major: _____

Essay

Please respond to the following and submit with your completed application packet.

What specific qualities and attributes do I exemplify that make me uniquely qualified to receive the Friend-Gardner-Love scholarship?

Your statement should be well thought out and not more than two-double spaced type-written pages.

I understand the conditions of the Friend-Gardner-Love Scholarship and I will adhere to the above stated criteria.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Please return a signed copy of this sheet with your application. You should also make a copy of the completed application for your records.

Application Check list: Make sure you have included the following as applicable. Due Date: May 7, 2023.

- ___ **Demographic Information**
- ___ **Transcript**
- ___ **Essay**
- ___ **Verification of community service (returning students only)**
- ___ **Essay regarding community service (returning students only)**
- ___ **Letter of Acceptance (first year students only)**