



Scholarship Ministry

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Scholarship Ministry Mission Statement: To promote and encourage the educational pursuits and goals of students by providing financial support to enhance their God-given talents to better impact the church community and the world.

April 2023

Dear Queen's Chapel Church Family and Friends:

On behalf of the scholarship ministry of Queen's Chapel United Methodist Church, we bring you greetings as we begin our 2023 scholarship initiative. We hope and pray that each of you has remained vigilant, safe, and healthy during the COVID pandemic.

As a result of last year's success, the Scholarship Ministry will again present the “Showcase of Stars” program at Queen's Chapel, with a free will offering, on Saturday, June 3, 2023, at 11:00 A.M. We are accepting monetary donations in support of our scholarship initiative from Saturday, April 1 to Friday, June 30. Please make your checks payable to *Queen's Chapel United Methodist Church* with “*Scholarship 2023*” in the memo section of your check. Indicate if your donation is earmarked for the Lillie Mae Taylor or Queen's Chapel UMC account. You can also donate at any time online at www.qcumc.org. Go to Welcome. Scroll down and click on GIVE. Select Scholarships. Click on Give Now.

The 2023 Queen's Chapel High School scholarship application and the 2023 Queen's Chapel UMC Continuing Education/Lillie Mae Taylor Continuing Education scholarship applications will be available Tuesday, April 4 – Wednesday, May 31. Applications can be picked up at the church office Wednesdays and Fridays from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Prior to picking up applications, please contact Ms. Eveline Bush, church administrator, at 301-210-9038. You may also contact Joyce Brown at joyce21045@verizon.net if you wish to have an application emailed to you. Applications can also be downloaded from the church's website at www.qcumc.org. All applications are due in the church office on or before Wednesday, May 31, 2023.

Let us continue to support and encourage our scholars as they navigate through their educational journeys and challenges. If you have questions, contact Janet Anderson at janet2019@aol.com or Joyce Brown at joyce21045@verizon.net. We thank you in advance for your continued support. Stay safe and be blessed.

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**Queen's Chapel United Methodist Church
Scholarship Ministry**

Presents

"Showcase of Stars"

Saturday, June 3, 2023

11:00 AM

FREE WILL OFFERING

Queen's Chapel United Methodist Church

7410 Old Muirkirk Road

Beltsville, MD 20705

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The Showcase "Ensemble"

The Lomax Sisters – Gospel Quartet ★ Kelvin Dukes – Vocalist
Jeré Fegans – Soloist ★ "Simply Shirley" – "Old School" Comedienne
Janae King – Inspirational Dancer ★ Mark Turner – Gospel Vocalist
★ Dwayne Pitts – Saxophonist ★ Lisa Giles – Poet Enthusiast ★

★2022 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS★

Excerpts from “My Christian Journey” Essay Question

“In view of the COVID pandemic, how have you maintained your relationship with the Lord?”



● **JANAE KING** ● *Queen’s Chapel Continuing Education Scholarship*

Janae says, “I am pleased for the opportunity to reflect on my spiritual journey.” Challenged and stressed with the devastating loss of her grandmother and dad in the span of two short years, she asked God to help her during such a very difficult time in her life. Janae knows that her strength comes from God; and He has a higher calling for her life. She prayed and continues to pray. Janae’s favorite scripture is Joshua 1:9, “*Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.*” She PERSERVES! Janae’s spiritual journey is a process and there might be some bumps along the way, but she is happy that she can go to God at any time, any place and ASK for what she needs. For her spiritual journey continues.



● **MICHAEL BETHUNE** ● *Queen’s Chapel Continuing Education Scholarship*

Like many, Michael thought the coronavirus would last only two weeks. But as he saw the numbers grow and the death toll rise, he became immediately concerned how the virus was sweeping the U.S. and the world. Very concerned about his family and his own well-being, he became a recluse, going from an extrovert young man, not wanting to be around people, fearing catching the deadly virus. When scrolling through social media, Michael read Isaiah 41:10, “*So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with the righteous right hand.*” The bible verse calmed his anxiety. He remembered that God has the final word with everything that’s

happening in this world and started to realize that God would not put him into a situation where he wouldn’t be able to get through. Michael knows that his future is bright, that God is in control, and is always right beside him. He says “. . . I know my God has his hands on me and will continue to direct my path through this life.”



● **CAMERON CARR** ● *Queen’s Chapel Continuing Education Scholarship*

Given the COVID pandemic and closed church doors, Cameron maintained her relationship with the Lord, which included, watching online services and reading her bible daily; listening to her gospel playlist; praying; talking to God because speaking with Him makes their relationship stronger to maintain; going on nature walks and seeing the sky’s beauty; saying a scripture each day; repeating affirmations that relate to the bible in the mirror. Cameron says, “It’s essential to spread love to one another and remember we are God’s children and are not made perfect. Trying is all we can do. Lastly, support each other and many more.”



● **GABRIELLE MAHAPAT** ● *Lillie Mae Taylor Continuing Education Scholarship*

Saturday, June 11, 2022, Gabrielle was baptized by immersion in the water of Christ. Her journey through COVID opened her eyes spiritually to know all is well. Psalm 27:1 “*The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear.*” Gabrielle’s life of worrying, stressing, fear of failure and disappointment is no longer. Her spiritual journey through COVID brought out the best in her and helped her realize how valuable her relationship with God is.

Gabrielle acknowledges that “Physical bodies come and go, but the Lord will always be with me to guide and lead me. I trust in Him who is my light and will guide me to an abundance of joy and happiness! As I shall no longer fear disappointment and failure, but grow through them to make me a better person.”



● **REAGAN EARBY** ● *Queen’s Chapel High School Scholarship*

The COVID pandemic caused Reagan a lot of anxiety. She had to do online learning, but it worked best for her. COVID safety concerns made her not want to go out. But even with anxiety and safety concerns, Reagan connected with God by watching inspirational song videos on YouTube and sitting with her mom and watching church online. She continued to work on reading her bible. When the weather was nice, she would go outside and sit on the patio to draw and be about nature and all its goodness. Reagan says, “I know that God watches over me and takes care of me. He also takes care of my family. . . . I know God is real and no matter how strong or weak my relationship is with Him, He has my back.”



EVENT/ACTIVITY	DATE
Distribution of scholarship application packets (See distribution information below.)	Tuesday, April 4, 2023–Wednesday 31, 2023
Scholarship application packets due in church office (Hours same as for application packet pickup.)	On or before Wednesday, May 31,2023
“Showcase of Stars” Scholarship Fundraiser Queen’s Chapel United Methodist Church FREE WILL OFFERING (See contact information below.)	Saturday, June 3, 2023 – Starts at 11:00 AM
Scholarship Youth Sunday	Sunday, June 25, 2023 – 10:00 AM

Donations are accepted April 1 to June 30. Please make your check payable to **QCUMC**. In the memo section write “Scholarship 2023” and indicate **Queen’s Chapel UMC Account** or **Lillie Mae Taylor Account**. Mail your donation to Queen’s Chapel UMC, 7410 Old Muirkirk Rd, Beltsville, MD 20705. You may also donate at any time online at www.qcumc.org. Go to Welcome. Scroll down and click on GIVE. Select Scholarships. Click on Give Now. Thank you for your donations.

“Showcase of Stars” Scholarship Fundraiser

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