

# WORLD COMMUNION NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP (FORMERLY CRUSADE NATIONAL) APPLICATION

You are requested to mail your **completed** application inside **ONE** envelope. This one envelope should contain the following items and **must be RECEIVED, not postmarked, by NOVEMBER 30, 2012:** (Please clearly label the outside of your envelope with the name of the scholarship that you are applying for – see band on the left-hand side of this page for scholarship name.)



- This application form with all sections completed;
- Original transcripts with grades (not certificates) from the institutions of higher education that you attended or are attending;
- If already admitted to school, attach copy of letter of admission;
- Copy of estimated student expenses produced by the school;
- Three references in sealed envelopes with the reference writer's signature on the seal. Recommendation letters may be emailed, as long as they come directly from the recommenders and are sent to: [scholars@umcmmission.org](mailto:scholars@umcmmission.org).
- An essay (see Addendum for essay guidelines);
- Your signature on the back page of the application to signify that you have read the Overview and Requirements as stated on the Addendum.

**Applications that remain incomplete at the time of the deadline WILL NOT BE REVIEWED by the Committee.** Please use the checklist above to make sure you are submitting all required materials.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE:

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name Middle Name Last Name (Family Name)

Male  Female Birth Date (month/day/year): \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number/Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town State Zip

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Area Code + Number

Permanent Address, if different from above: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number/Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town State Zip

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Area Code + Number

Country of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship/Residency: \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnic background:  African American or African  Asian American  Hispanic/Latino/Latina  
 Arab American  Pacific Islander  Caribbean American  Native American  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Applying through the Methodist Church of Puerto Rico

Marital status:  Single  Married  Separated  Divorced  Widowed

Spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Names and ages of children \_\_\_\_\_

**2013/2014 APPLICATION FORM**



**THEMATIC PRIORITIES**  
**ELIMINATION OF POVERTY**  
**GLOBAL HEALTH**  
**LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**  
**CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

## EDUCATIONAL PLANS

Are you currently a:  Full-Time Student  Part-Time Student  Not in School

After **August 2013**, you will be in what year of your Master's or Doctoral studies?

First Year  Second Year  Third Year  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Degree you are pursuing (check one):  MA  MS  MDiv  PhD  DMin  Other (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

**You must indicate the following:**

**Major/Specialization:** \_\_\_\_\_

<i>Institution you plan to attend</i>	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Choice (or Institution where currently enrolled)</i>	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Choice</i>
NAME of Institution:		
ADDRESS:		
CITY, STATE, COUNTRY:		
PHONE (include area code)		
ADMITTED (✓) *	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet

\* If you **have** been admitted, please attach a copy of your admission letter from school.

If you **have not** been admitted yet, what month will you be informed about admission? \_\_\_\_\_

*If you are notified of admission to a school after the November 30<sup>th</sup> deadline, please inform us as soon as you know this information.*

Month/Year you began \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ **OR** Month/Year you will begin full-time studies: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Month/Year you will complete full-time studies (obtain your above-mentioned degree): \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

What is your career goal? \_\_\_\_\_

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL AID

Other scholarships, awards, grants, loans, or financial assistance for which you are applying or are currently receiving:

<i>Source</i>	<i>Amount Requested</i>	<i>Amount Granted</i>

### FINANCIAL NEED

The following information will help the Committee to understand your financial needs.

Father's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of your brothers/sisters and other dependents on your parents' income: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are under age 24, what is your parents' total annual income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What is your total annual income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If married, your spouse's occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's total annual income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## BUDGET INFORMATION

### Budget Guidelines

- Please list estimated income and expenses for **ONE** academic year.
- Please attach an official student expense budget produced by the school.

(The budget should reflect the student's expenses and not the expenses of the student's family members.)

**Please pay careful attention to this section. Please be sure to give accurate and detailed expense information. IF YOU ARE SELECTED AS A RECIPIENT, IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO CHANGE BUDGETS ONCE THEY HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE.**

<i>Estimated Expenses</i>	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Choice Institution</i>	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Choice Institution</i>	<i>Estimated Income</i>	
Tuition:			Personal Savings that you can use for school:	
Fees:			Other Scholarships from:	1 <sup>st</sup> choice institution:
Books:				2 <sup>nd</sup> choice institution:
Room & Board:			Loans:	
Daily Transportation:			Gifts from parents/others:	
Medical/Other:			Other:	
<u>Total Expenses:</u>			<u>Total Income:</u>	

Please fill in the following formulas:

1<sup>st</sup> choice institution:

(Total Expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_) – (Total Income \$ \_\_\_\_\_) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount Requested for the 2013-2014 academic year. Please indicate here the total number of years you need to complete your intended degree: \_\_\_\_\_.**

2<sup>nd</sup> choice institution:

(Total Expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_) – (Total Income \$ \_\_\_\_\_) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount Requested for the 2013-2014 academic year. Please indicate here the total number of years you need to complete your intended degree: \_\_\_\_\_.**

If you have special financial circumstances, please explain (i.e. if you are already enrolled in school and are carrying a balance on your school account, etc...):

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## EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

Please list secondary schools and institutions of higher education attended, starting with most recent:

<i>Institution Name</i>	<i>Dates Attended</i>	<i>Type of Degree/ Certificate</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>Grade Average</i>

## CHURCH AND COMMUNITY LIFE

Check if you are  Clergy  Laity

Current church membership:  United Methodist  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Church to which you belong: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Church address: \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT:** Full Annual Conference Name and Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years you have been an active clergy or lay member: \_\_\_\_\_

Church/Ecumenical/Interfaith activities in which you are involved: \_\_\_\_\_

Community Activities in which you are involved: \_\_\_\_\_

## WORK EXPERIENCE

Check if you are currently working  Full-Time  Part-Time  Not Working

<i>Last Three Positions Held</i>	<i>Company/Institution Name</i>	<i>Dates Employed</i>	<i>Reason for Leaving</i>

**COMPLETE APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 30, 2012. NO EXCEPTIONS!!**

MAIL TO:

GLOBAL MINISTRIES, SCHOLARSHIP/LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, ROOM 333

475 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, NEW YORK, NY 10115, U.S.A.

PHONE: 212-870-3787 FAX: 212-870-3932 E-MAIL: [scholars@umcmmission.org](mailto:scholars@umcmmission.org)

*I verify that all the statements in this application are true. I understand the Overview and Requirements, as stated on the Addendum, and agree to abide by them if awarded a World Communion National Scholarship.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

➤ Please make a copy of this application to keep for your records! ⚡

**WORLD COMMUNION NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
**(FORMERLY CRUSADE NATIONAL) ADDENDUM**

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** \_\_\_\_\_

First Name

Last Name (Family Name)

**ESSAY**

Please limit your answers to 150 words for each question.

1. What crucial issues most concern you? Why?
2. If you could change one thing that would impact global society or your community, what would it be? Why?
3. What is your understanding of Christian mission? How does Christian mission relate to your vocational and/or personal goals?
4. Tell us about yourself. Please include a brief description about yourself or your community that will help us understand an aspect of who you are today.
5. What is the degree and area of study you are pursuing or hope to pursue at this time? Why are you pursuing this degree and field?
6. Please share how you are or will be providing leadership in your church or community.
7. What type of work do you hope to pursue after graduation?
8. What understanding/agreements do you have with your church/ecumenical/community or other organization about your services after graduation?

*Please be certain that you write your name on each page of your essay, as well as on any other loose sheets of paper.*

**REFERENCES**

Please get references from three people: 1) A lay church leader, pastor, or bishop; 2) A teacher, counselor, or school official; and 3) A personal reference, perhaps an employer, who knows you well.

*You may not use family members as references, even if your pastor is a family member.*

1. Lay Church Leader/Pastor/Bishop -- Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of years she/he has known you: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Teacher/Counselor/School Official -- Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of years she/he has known you: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Personal Reference/Employer -- Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of years she/he has known you: \_\_\_\_\_

Please give your recommenders the enclosed forms so that they may be completed. The recommenders should then seal them in an envelope, sign the seal, and return them to you for inclusion in your application packet. Recommendation letters do not have to be written on the forms. A letter, preferably on letterhead, will suffice. Recommendations may also be emailed to us, as long as they come directly from the recommender's email.

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## OVERVIEW

- The World Communion (WC) Scholarship program (formerly Crusade) is among the premier scholarship programs of The United Methodist Church. Through WC National Scholarships, Global Ministries' aim is to provide opportunities through graduate study in institutions of higher education in order to aid individuals in developing their community/church leadership potential in the areas of priority noted on the front of the application form. Global Ministries' goal is to equip persons for leadership involvement in the life and mission of the Church as well as its ministry to society and the world.
- To be eligible for a WC National Scholarship, you must:
  - be a US citizen or a US permanent resident;
  - be a member of The United Methodist Church;
  - be a member of a community of color;
  - have been admitted or have applied to a graduate study program in an institution of higher education at the time of application; and
  - demonstrate evidence of financial need.

PLEASE NOTE: The following are not eligible to apply: Global Ministries' staff, directors, mission personnel, UMC bishops, and family members of any of the above.

Global Ministries has funds that are designated for both national (U.S.) and international scholarships. As such, if you are in the U.S. as an international student, you may not apply under the national program. Please contact us for the international forms.

- Priority is given to:
  - applicants who are preparing for service to the church and/or its mission to society, and who will engage in one or more of the following areas of emphasis: elimination of poverty, global health, leadership development and congregational development.
- Preference is given to:
  - candidates applying for their first advanced degrees. Global Ministries' scholarships are generally offered to recipients to acquire only one degree. Any second-degree applicants will be considered on a case-by-case basis only.
- The selection process:
  - Applications must be **received by November 30, 2012**. The selection process is generally completed in the month of April of 2013. Official results will be sent by mail shortly thereafter. If you have not received the letter by June, please contact the Scholarship/Leadership Development Office.
- Grants fund the student until the completion of her/his degree and are renewed each year depending on the availability of funds at Global Ministries, the student's successful completion of full-time studies, and the compliance with the renewal process.

## REQUIREMENTS

- World Communion National Scholarships are awarded to students to attend an institution of higher education for a graduate study program (as stated in this application). Institution or program of study changes will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis with no guarantee of transferring the award to a different institution or to pursue a different program of study.
- Recipients will receive their financial awards only when they are enrolled in **full-time** studies. No financial aid will be given to a student enrolled for part-time studies.
- Recipients must have the ability of providing at least five years of service to the church and/or society after graduation.
- Because of limited financial resources, Global Ministries may regard an application more favorably when the applicant can demonstrate that financial support will also be available from other sources, especially in situations of high tuition costs.

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**WORLD COMMUNION NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
**(FORMERLY CRUSADE NATIONAL) RECOMMENDATION FORM**

**LAY CHURCH LEADER/PASTOR/BISHOP**

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name Last Name (Family Name)

Please give a confidential analysis of the applicant's character, intellectual ability, adaptability, and seriousness of purpose. Please state her/his strengths for the work for which she/he is making further preparation. What leadership qualities does the applicant exhibit that impress you?

Print Recommender's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Position/Title/Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip, Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Length of time you have known applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*To insure confidentiality, please place this reference in an envelope, seal it, and sign your name on top of the seal. Then return the envelope to the applicant. Recommendation letters may be emailed, as long as they come directly from the recommenders and are sent to: [scholars@umcmission.org](mailto:scholars@umcmission.org). Applicants will not be considered without a completed application, of which your recommendation is an important part. Thank you for taking the time for the applicant.*

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**TEACHER/COUNSELOR/SCHOOL OFFICIAL**

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name Last Name (Family Name)

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Print Recommender's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Title/Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, State, Zip, Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of time you have known applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PERSONAL REFERENCE/EMPLOYER**

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name Last Name (Family Name)

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Position/Title/Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip, Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Length of time you have known applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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