

Overview and Guidelines

American Baptist Women's Ministries National Women's Conference Scholarship Program

The national board of American Baptist Women's Ministries will award six (6) conference scholarships from its Leadership Development Fund in 2012. The scholarships will enable six first-time attendees demonstrating leadership potential for women's ministries to attend full-time the National Women's Conference, July 21-27, 2012 at the Millennium Maxwell House Nashville, Nashville, TN.

We will grant six (6) scholarships of \$400 each to selected applicants. Each \$400 scholarship will cover the recipient's conference registration fee of \$150, plus \$250 to be applied to their meals and housing costs at Millennium Maxwell House Nashville. Each recipient will be responsible for her round trip transportation, balance of meals/housing cost, and personal expenses.

Each recipient must meet this criteria:

- Active member of a congregation of American Baptist Churches, USA
- First time attendee at National Women's Conference
- Full-time conferee (July 21 – 27)
- Demonstrated leadership ability
- Demonstrated interest in women's ministries

Application Instructions

1. Complete the application form.
2. Mail to: AB Women's Ministries
PO Box 851
Valley Forge, PA 19482-0851
Fax to: (610) 768-2286
3. Deadline for application and three recommendations is March 31, 2012.
4. Send recommendations to the above address from *three* of the following sources:
 - **Pastor or other staff member (not related to you) from your church**
 - **Person who has known you for at least three years (not related to you) who knows your work and interests**
 - **Representative of a community organization (Church Women United, YWCA, PTA, etc.)**
 - **Region/state, area/association or local AB Women's Ministries president**
 - **American Baptist denominational leader in your locale**

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Scholarship Application for 2012 National Women's Conference
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Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone # _____ (Work) _____

E-Mail _____

Age: 18-30 31-40 41-50 51-60 61-70 71-80+

Local church membership _____

Church address _____

Are you actively involved in women's ministries in your local church? Yes No

Leadership responsibilities you have had in your church and/or in women's ministries:

Local _____

Area/Association _____

Region/State/National _____

Have you ever attended National Women's Conference? Yes No

Name and email addresses of persons recommending you (see application instructions):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

How do you plan to share this educational experience with American Baptist women? Please be specific. (Use the other side of this page as needed.)

I affirm that I meet all criteria for this scholarship (active member of an ABC/USA congregation, demonstrated leadership ability, interest in women's ministries, and a full-time first-time Conference attendee).

Signature _____ Date _____

**Please return by March 31, 2012 to: AB Women's Ministries, PO Box 851
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Recommendation Form (Give a copy of this form to three persons who will provide recommendations for you)

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Name of Applicant _____

Applicant's Address _____

Applicant's Email Address _____ Applicant's Phone Number _____

Instructions: The person named above has applied for a scholarship to attend National Women's Conference, sponsored by American Baptist Women's Ministries, in Nashville, Tennessee, July 21-27, 2012. Please write a character reference for this person, including leadership skills and ability to interact with others. (You may use the back of this page, or attach a letter to this form)

Signature _____ Date _____

Title / Position _____ Organization _____

**Recommendations must be received by March 31, 2012 in order for the applicant to be considered.
Mail to AB Women's Ministries, PO Box 851, Valley Forge, PA 19482-0581. Fax: (610) 768-2286
Thank you.**