

# Jane Walker Scholarship

*A Scholarship Sponsored by the Commission on the Status and Role of Women (COSROW) of the Alabama-West Florida Conference of the United Methodist Church*

## **Scholarship Information**

The Jane Walker Scholarship is awarded each year by the Commission on the Status and Role of Women (COSROW) of the Alabama-West Florida Conference of the United Methodist Church. Each scholarship recipient is awarded \$1,000. The recipient is announced at the COSROW breakfast at Annual Conference and will be recognized during the COSROW report during the Annual Conference session.

## **Eligibility for Scholarship**

Applicant should be a woman who affirms, represents, and advocates for women's leadership in the church.

Applicant must be accepted or enrolled in a United Methodist seminary approved by the University Senate or be pursuing an undergraduate degree in Christian Education at a University Senate approved United Methodist institution.

Completed application (including essay) and two letters of recommendation from a pastor and a professor must be received by **May 15**, in order to be eligible for consideration.

Applicant should be an outstanding candidate for ministry or seeking a full time United Methodist church-related career.

Applicant must be a resident of the Alabama-West Florida Conference and plan at the time of application to serve within the bounds of the conference.

The following must be completed by the applicant and received by the Jane Walker Scholarship Chairperson no later than **May 15**, to be eligible for consideration:

- A. Application, including Essay (part VI of the application)
- B. Letter of recommendation from a pastor
- C. Letter of recommendation from a professor

The above information should be mailed or emailed to:

Rev. Lynn Smilie Nesbitt  
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## Application

### **I. Biographical Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Name: (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Children:    Yes            No

If yes, give names and ages: \_\_\_\_\_

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### **II. Church and Candidacy Information**

Local Church in which membership is held: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Church Address (City, State, Zip Code): \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the leadership roles you have held within the local church, district, or annual conference, along with the year and length of service:

Role: \_\_\_\_\_ Year(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Status in the Candidacy Process (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Are you seeking ordination in the United Methodist Church? Yes No

If yes, ordination as Elder or Deacon? \_\_\_\_\_

Vocational Goal: \_\_\_\_\_

**III. Work Experience:**

Current Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Address (City, State, Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Job Title or Role: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years in Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Employer Address (City, State, Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title or Role: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years in Position: \_\_\_\_\_

**IV. Academic Information:**

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (City, State, and Zip Code): \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete information for all colleges/universities that you have attended**

1. College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (City, State, and Zip Code): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Major(s)/Minor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree Earned: \_\_\_\_\_

2. College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (City, State, Zip Code): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Major(s)/Minor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree Earned: \_\_\_\_\_

3. College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (City, State, and Zip Code): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Major(s)/Minor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree Earned: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete the following information for the United Methodist seminary at which you have been accepted or for the United Methodist institution at which you are pursuing an undergraduate degree in Christian Education:**

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (City, State, and Zip Code): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Acceptance Letter: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree Pursued: \_\_\_\_\_

**V. References:**

Please list one United Methodist pastor and one college professor

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (City, State, and Zip Code): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: (Please print clearly) \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (City, State, and Zip Code): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: (Please print clearly) \_\_\_\_\_

**VI. Essay:**

Please write and attach an essay containing no more than 500 words that describes why you are preparing for full-time Christian ministry and how you can promote the cause of women through this ministry.