

Alton Thomas graduated in 1962 from McKinley Tech High School in Washington DC. He was an advocate for education and he continued his education at The Catholic University, The University of Maryland and The Dale Carnegie Institute.

Alton Thomas began his career with the United Parcel Service in 1966 where he had progressed to the level of manager. Although he suffered with a chronic disabling disease of sickle cell anemia, Alton Thomas worked for UPS until 1987 when he retired on disability.

Deacon Thomas accepted Christ as his personal savior in 1970. He united with Mount Calvary Baptist Church in 1982 and was ordained as a Deacon in 1983. He served as the chairman of the building fund committee and was very instrumental in the construction of the church edifice on Whitfield Chapel Rd.

In spite of his illness, Deacon Thomas had a zest for life which was evident in his extensive travel. His many civic and political activities were, two terms as a member of the Prince Georges County personnel board; Chairman of precinct -1 in Kettering, Maryland; The Democratic Convention security staff in July 1976; a Member of the Carter/Mondale Committee convention staff in 1980; Two terms as a member of the executive board of the Maryland Motor Truck Association; A Loaned executive to the Prince Georges County United Way and as a member of the Taiwanese committee.

A man who loved God and mankind, a loving husband to Joyce Thomas, a devoted father to Stacy Lynn and Kelly Mollean Thomas, a dedicated Deacon, a sincere friend, Deacon Thomas Jr., was all of these. Mount Calvary Baptist Church has chosen to remember this special person by establishing a scholarship in his name, The Alton Thomas, Jr. Memorial Scholarship.

The Alton Thomas Jr. Memorial Scholarship Information

Qualifications

This memorial Scholarship was established by Mt.Calvary Baptist Church of Lanham, MD in memory of Deacon Alton Thomas Jr., to encourage graduating High school seniors to further their education. The scholarship is open to High school seniors who are members of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church of Lanham, Maryland. Qualifying seniors must have been active in at least one ministry while attending Mt. Calvary Baptist Church of Lanham, for one year.

Procedures

Before a scholarship can be awarded, a student must show proof of acceptance at an institution of higher learning by one of the following methods:

- Letter of acceptance
- Receipt of deposit from school planning to attend
- Resident deposit receipt

If acceptance has not been received, the student must show proof of application to the school, then follow up with the acceptance once it has been received.

Scholarship awardee must furnish a typed personal essay to include

- Personal testimony of your relationship with God
- Church, school, community and work related experiences
- Career objectives

All application material must be mailed in one envelope to the church office of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, 5120 Whitfield Chapel Rd. Lanham,

MD 20706, addressed to The Alton Thomas Jr. Memorial Scholarship committee. The envelope must be postmarked By April 15th. <u>Please do not had deliver your application to the church office!</u>

A Certificate of scholarship and a scholarship check will be issued, printed in the name of the recipient. Recipients of scholarships will be presented on The 4th Sunday of July during the church service.

Application Form

Student's name
Student's address
Student's cell phone number
High School you're attending
High School address
Parent's names
Parent's address
Date you joined Mt. Calvary
The Name of the Vocational/Technical/College/University
Have you been formally accepted?
Intended Major

Pastoral Staff Recommendation Form

Pastoral Staff: Pastor Charles Cato, Sr., Assistant Pastor Anthony Proctor, Pastor Antoine Norris, Rev. Femrono Wood. Please refer to the church office for names of additional Ministerial staff.

Minister's name _____

Student's name_____

Youth Ministry/Activities involved_____

Statement of experience with student_____

Date and signature of Pastor/ Minister_____

Youth Activity Chairperson/Director Recommendation Form

Church Activity Chairpersons/Directors name_____

Church Ministry name_____

Student's name_____

Years actively involved in the ministry_____

Statement of experience with the student_____

Date and Signature of Director/Chairperson _____

Application check list

- ___ Completed application form
- ___One personal essay
- ___One recommendation letter from a member of the pastoral staff
- One recommendation letter from the activity director or ministry Director or chairperson
- ___ Proof of acceptance from college or technical/trade school