



## Lillie H. Brown

Lillie graduated from Withrow High School, then the University of Cincinnati Conservatory of Music with a Bachelor of Science degree in Music Education. She married Frederick Brown in 1958 and together had 3 children, Kevin, Gyll and Carla. They had a devoted union for 37 years, until his death.

Lillie confessed Christ at an early age and progressed her spiritual life at Bethel Baptist Church under the late Pastor Rev. Harry Brown. She remained active at Bethel for over 60 years: First, she was a child prodigy pianist, playing various recitals, then she was pianist for the Youth and Young Adult Choirs, and later as Minister of Music under Rev. Dr. Wayne R. Davis. Her accomplishments of this tenure included the phenomenal 33 1/3 LP recording of "The Legacy" with the combined Youth and Young Adult Choirs of Bethel Baptist Church. She was approached by the Cincinnati Opera to provide voices from Bethel for performances of "Showboat," "Aida," and the Summer Opera in the Park Series, providing experiences to her choir members that they will never forget.

Lillie was a music educator in the Cincinnati Public Schools for over 30 years, teaching at Hoffman Elementary (Ele.), Hayes Ele., Sands Ele., Washington Ele., and Heinold Ele.

Just some of her activities included: Giving private piano lessons during the earlier years of her career; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority (50+year member, 2-term Basileus of Sigma Omega Chapter, Director of Sigma Omega Ensemble for 35 years, Great Lakes Regional Choir Director for 24 years); a judge for many International Spiritual Music Festivals; a regular participant in the Gospel Music Workshop; Hamilton County Retired Teachers Association (President); The Cincinnati Symphony Board; she was an essential part of many local choir and music events; and she enjoyed Line dancing.

Lillie gladly served the community tirelessly, using her gifts: She was always conscientious, using creativity, dedication, commitment, loyalty, good humor, pleasantness and Love, but always with excellence. Because of her gifts and talents, Lillie H Brown was well-loved and will be missed by many, and we can truly say that she served God with excellence!

# *Bethel Baptist Church*

## *Lillie Brown Scholarship Fund Information Sheet*

**Application Period: 02-01-2022 to 04-30-2022**

*The Lillie Brown Scholarship is funded by gifts donated by individuals, families and fundraising revenue. The scholarship is in memory of Lillie Brown.*

*The purpose is to assist the recipient with their higher education expenses.*

*The scholarship committee consists of three members of Bethel Baptist Church who will select the recipient.*

*The scholarship is open for application to all members (6 months or more) of the Bethel Baptist Church.*

Who is eligible to receive the Lillie Brown Scholarship?

Any member of the Bethel Baptist Church accepted and enrolled in a college, university, technical or trade school for the fall 2022 school year may submit an application. Applicant must be a member for six months or more.

What is the amount of the Lillie Brown Scholarship for year 2022?

The scholarship amount for year 2022 is \$1,000.00.

When will the scholarship be announced and awarded?

The scholarship recipient will be announced in summer of 2022. It will be awarded for the incoming fall 2022 school year.

Will the scholarship recipient be given cash?

Cash will not be awarded to the recipient. The recipient will receive a check made out to the institution they're enrolled in. It is the responsibility of the recipient to submit payment to their Financial Aid Office.

When to apply for scholarship

The application period is open starting 02-01-2022 and ending 04-30-2022. The application will be available on 02-01-2022 online at [www.bcwalnuthills.com](http://www.bcwalnuthills.com). Also, copies will be available at the church throughout the application period. Applications received online or in person after 04-30-2022 will not be accepted; there are **no** exceptions to the deadline.

What is the time period to re-apply for the scholarship?

If you're awarded a scholarship you may apply again for the scholarship after two full academic years.

What are the eligibility criteria (required documents) for the Lillie Brown Scholarship?

- Must have a GPA of 2.5 from high school or college\*\*
- Must provide a high school or college transcript (High School grads must submit transcript through the end of their second quarter)\*\*
- Must provide verification of acceptance to the institution, i.e., Acceptance Letter, Degree Audit, Letter from Academic Advisor or Financial Aid Office\*\*
- 2 Letters of Recommendation \*\*
- Must be enrolled in a degree program for fall 2022. Auditing only classes are ineligible

- Application and required documentation must be completed by the deadline

#### In-Person Applications (not submitted on-line)

- In-Person applications must be printed and legible
- In-Person applications can be given to a committee member with the required documentation on or before 04-30-2022. The committee member must timestamp the application package. The applicant will be emailed a confirmation of receipt by the committee member. Do not mail applications to the church or put applications in the church's dropbox
- In-Person applications and required documents can also be emailed to [bethel.lbscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:bethel.lbscholarship@gmail.com) by the deadline

#### Online Applications

- Online applications must be completed and submitted by the deadline date of 04-30-2022
- In addition to the application required documentation must be emailed to [bethel.lbscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:bethel.lbscholarship@gmail.com)
- The applicant will be emailed a confirmation of receipt that their application package is received

#### Does applicant have to be enrolled in only a college or university?

All colleges, universities, trade and technical schools, accredited or non-accredited are acceptable.

#### Who decides who is awarded the Lillie Brown Scholarship?

- The Lillie Brown Scholarship committee consists of three members who will review the applications. They will determine who is awarded the scholarship. This will be approved by the church Pastoral committee.
- The LBS committee will inform the recipient of the scholarship by email no later than 06-30-2022.
- The recipient will be acknowledged for their award during worship service.

**\*\* It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure all required documentation is received by the deadline. This includes GPA, High school or college transcript, verification of acceptance and 2 Letters of Recommendation. It is not the responsibility of committee members to notify applicants of missing application documentation.**

Questions, inquiries and required documentation may be submitted to committee members at the following email address: [bethel.lbscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:bethel.lbscholarship@gmail.com).



# Lillie Brown Scholarship Fund

## Scholarship Application



**Application and Documentation Deadline: April 30, 2022**

Bethel Baptist Church has established the Lillie Brown Scholarship Fund. Through this scholarship, we will honor, award, and support our members seeking higher education through financial assistance. It is our belief that educational achievements, Christian beliefs, and knowledge are beneficial to the growth of our church and the community.

### **Lillie Brown Scholarship Application Requirements:**

In order to be considered for the Lillie Brown Scholarship, you must complete the application in its entirety. The application consists of three sections:

Section 1- Personal Information

Section 2- Applicant Profile

Section 3- 3 Essay Questions: Questions 1 and 2 are required. Question 3 consists of 3 optional questions. You must select **ONE** question to answer.

### **In addition, all required documentation must be provided:**

- Academic Transcripts
- Enrollment Verification
- Two Letters of Recommendation: Must be from the individual providing the letter.

**All information must be sent to the Lillie Brown Scholarship Committee at: [bethel.lbscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:bethel.lbscholarship@gmail.com)**

If you have any questions, please contact the scholarship committee at the email above.



\*\*\*Please type your responses to the profile and essay questions and attach to your application or email to [bethel.lbscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:bethel.lbscholarship@gmail.com)\*\*\*

Applicant Profile: Please provide a personal statement about who you are. This could include your strengths, weaknesses, community service, organization participation, career goals, etc.

Essay Questions: Please answer the following questions to complete your application. Your response to each question should have a minimum of 250 words. Be sure to attach the separate page(s) to your application or email to [bethel.lbscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:bethel.lbscholarship@gmail.com).

(REQUIRED) Question 1: What affect has religion had on your life? How have you influenced others to walk in the Christian Faith? Describe your own walk in the Christian Faith.

(REQUIRED) Question 2: Why do you believe you deserve the Lillie Brown Scholarship? How would it be beneficial for you to receive this scholarship? How will it help you further your educational or professional career?

Please choose ONE of the following questions to answer Question 3:

- a. (OPTIONAL) Would you consider yourself a successful leader or a great follower? Explain 5 characteristics/qualities that make you an effective leader/follower.
- b. (OPTIONAL) If you could change one thing about our church, what would it be and why? Explain how you would change it.
- c. (OPTIONAL) Describe a time when you mishandled a situation that resulted in a negative outcome. How did you resolve the issue? What advice would you give others in a similar situation?