

To: Students Preparing for Full Time Ministry

From: Financial Aid Office

Date: February 19th, 2026

Re: Interviews for Board of Aid Scholarship

Representatives from the **Board of Aid** will interview students on **Thursday February 19, 2026**, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the SCST Building. Please complete the enclosed application and biographical sketch and return them to the Financial Aid Office by

An interview is required to receive the Board of Aid Scholarship. If this is your first time to interview, you must submit to the **Financial Aid Office**, a copy of a license to the ministry, a copy of an ordination certificate, or a letter of reference (on church letterhead) from the student's pastor indicating the student's commitment to a church vocation.

Please remember:

What: Interview for scholarship from the Alabama Southern Baptist State Convention Board of Aid for Students in Church-related Vocations

Who: Students who are active members of **ALABAMA** Southern Baptist State Convention Churches and are preparing for a church vocation

When: Thursday February 19th 2026,

9:00 am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Where: Center for Christian Calling Building

Requirements:

1. Complete an application prior to interview.
2. Take completed application to the Financial Aid Office before 4:30 pm, February 13 2026.
3. Be interviewed by a Board of Aid Representative.
4. Be an active member of an Alabama Baptist Convention Church
5. **For students interviewing for the first time, you must provide a copy of one of the following: license, ordination certificate, or letter of reference from pastor on church letterhead.**

NOTE: The interview is mandatory to receive this scholarship.

Board of Aid Guidelines

1. A student must be at the time of entering college an active member of a **cooperating Alabama Baptist State Convention Church**. If serving a church out of state, the student must be an active member of a **cooperating Alabama Baptist State Convention Church**.
2. Board of Aid funds will be given only to students who are preparing to serve as members of the ministerial staffs of churches cooperating with the Southern Baptist Convention or (SBC) on the boards, agencies or institutions of the state Baptist conventions or SBC.
3. Students will be given Board of Aid funds only for the regular fall and spring terms at the University of Mobile and the Continuing Education Program at the University of Mobile. No assistance will be given to any student enrolled in short terms or summer terms.
4. Financial aid granted by this Board should be considered an incentive for students who plan to enter church vocations, to attend the college or university supported by the Alabama Southern Baptist State Convention. No assistance will be given to students at state or other private schools.
5. All recipients must enroll in a minimum of twelve (12) semester credit hours per semester, and must maintain a “C” average to be eligible for financial aid. ***Students registered in the online program must be in at least 12 hours for the year and should apply for assistance in January.**
6. Any student who leaves the pursuit of or does not remain in a church vocation for five years after graduating or otherwise leaving college will be expected to repay the Board of Aid the full amount of all grants received.
7. All applicants must provide the following to be considered for aid:
 - a. A completed, signed Board of Aid application
 - b. A letter from their pastor affirming their church membership and their commitment to pursuing a vocation in full-time Christian service, a copy of an ordination certificate, or a license to the ministry

HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED THIS AID BEFORE? Yes No WHEN? _____

Board of Aid Application for Alabama Residents
In Church-Related Vocations

Name _____ Student ID # _____

Local Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Local Phone # _____

Semester Fall Spring 20____ Hours Registered _____ GPA _____

Major: Christian Ministry Intercultural Studies Theological Studies Worship Leadership

Other major or area of church-related vocation _____

How do you intend to use your degree? The area of ministry? _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ Home Phone # _____

FR SO JR SR Marital Status _____ # Children _____

Home Church _____ City _____ State _____

Pastor _____

Are you now a member of a cooperating Alabama Southern Baptist State Convention Church?

Church Name _____ Position _____

The Board of Aid expects you to repay the full amount of aid received if you do not continue in a Southern Baptist Church-Related Vocation for five (5) years after graduating or leaving college.

Do you agree to this? Yes _____ No _____

Signature: _____ Date _____

Financial Aid Office / _____ / _____
Date Notes

School for Christian Studies / _____ / _____
Date Notes

Committee Representative Approval / _____ / _____
Date Aid Awarded

Board of Aid for Students In Church-Related Vocations

Please answer the following questions and sign below.

1. What is your ministry goal? What do you want to become?
2. Are you presently active in a local Alabama Southern Baptist Church? What are you doing?
3. How often do you attend church?
4. Do you plan to keep the schedule for which you have registered?

Signed _____ Date _____

Please give a brief written statement of your call to full-time Christian Service.

**NOTE: AN APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETED EACH SEMESTER
AN INTERVIEW IS REQUIRED EACH SEMESTER**

*Funds for this scholarship are from Cooperative Giving through
Alabama Southern Baptist State Convention Churches*

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