



## Open Hearts in the Open Air

The camp meeting was a truly distinctive feature of frontier American Christianity beginning in the late 1700s and reaching a peak of popularity in the first half of the 1800s. A few camp meetings persist today, and Missouri is blessed to have two wonderful places where the faithful still gather and carry some of the old traditions forward.



The Foundation Ministry Grant program was honored recently to provide two grants in support of these vital ministries as they help history come alive for new generations – while remaining true to the timeless Word of God and the ongoing mission of the Church.

### **Lake Creek Camp Meeting**

Since 1843, the faithful have flocked to the Lake Creek Methodist Church's camp meeting held under a giant tent near the church five miles south of Smithton, MO. A few years ago a strong metal roof replaced the tent, but the breeze still carries the sound of cicadas through the open sides during services each evening at the week-long event. Lake Creek was one of the first German camp meetings organized. Today Lake Creek exists as the oldest camp meeting west of the Mississippi River.

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The central meeting place is surrounded by rustic cabins bearing the names of families who have been a part of the gathering for generations. The board of trustees has developed additional facilities that now include bathrooms, RV pads, a dining pavilion, and play area. The Foundation grant helped improve dining facilities needed to better host children's programming.

Visit [www.lakecreekcampmeeting.org/](http://www.lakecreekcampmeeting.org/) to learn more.

## Old McKendree Chapel

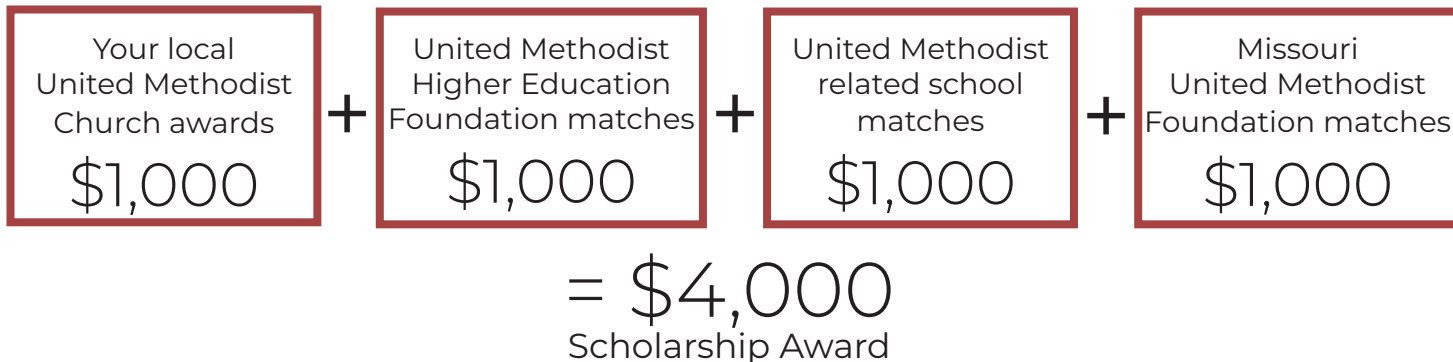
The only National Methodist Historic Site in Missouri, Old McKendree Chapel celebrated its bicentennial this year in September. The chapel dates to 1819 and was built on a site that had already become a popular camp meeting location in the region. To mark the bicentennial and advance its mission into a new century, the Foundation grant assisted the board of trustees in developing a master plan for the 15 acre site. Fundraising is now underway to enhance camping facilities, further develop the buildings and grounds, and to expand educational programming for youth.

The bicentennial theme was "Preserving the Past to Inspire the Future," and the service was attended by well over 350 people. Bishop Farr brought a rousing sermon connecting past, present and future in service to the living Lord. The Southeast District mass choir and the Front Porch Dulcimers provided inspiring music. To learn more visit, [www.oldmckendree.org](http://www.oldmckendree.org).



# DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS

## How to Get a Quad Match Scholarship



In 2019, your Missouri United Methodist Foundation awarded \$67,000 in matching grants to Missouri students attending Central Methodist University and Saint Paul School of Theology under the Dollars for Scholars program of the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation.

### Central Methodist University

Mackenzie Baker	Clayton Gochenour	Lorna Meyer	Seth Stegeman
Carlie Baldus	Morgan Hoehns	Carlie Milz	Joshua Stettes
Macy Block	Hope Howser	Hannah Mitchell	Chely Stratton
Kelsey Brown	Abigail Jefferies	Arnold Mukisa	Kristen Tarno
Reid Brown	Dalton King	Bria Neill	Brooke Teeter
Kylie Campbell	Nicholas Lembke	Peyton Osborn	Britton Tucker
Chloe Cole	Jason Long	Cassidy Pachner	Grace Turnbow
Elizabeth Cueni-Smith	Christopher Marsh	Brian Parker, Jr.	Skylor Turner
Abbigayle Danner	Rachel Martin	Shawn Pennell	Kylie VanGundy
Levi Deaton	Garrett Mattson	Regan Porter	Erin Vlasak
Katherine Dempsey	Grady Mattson	Krista Richardson	Peyton Warren
Keaton Denney	Molly McConnell	Trevor Roebke	Katelyn Watts
Meaghan Faust	Tanner McFatrigh	Daniela Sanchez	Paige Wells
Brant Gideon	Danielle McQueen	Jonathan Shafer	
	Emma McQueen	Wesley Spargo	

### Saint Paul School of Theology

Mona Candea	Abigail Peper	Linda Wansing
Candace Fowler	Christopher Sams	Diannah White
Jose Garcia	Elizabeth Shelton	
Kayla Meredith	Matthew Thornton	

For more information about all of the Foundation's scholarship opportunities visit our website at [www.mumf.org/students](http://www.mumf.org/students)

# 2019-2020 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS



## **Clint & Marge Hawkins Memorial Christian Education Fund for Youth**

The Clint & Marge Hawkins Memorial Christian Education Fund for Youth was created to honor the Hawkins' lifetime devotion to the church and their dedication to promoting and sustaining the development of young people. This year, three students received a Hawkins scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 each.



**Abbey Grooms**  
University of  
Central Missouri



**Hunter Krewson**  
Missouri State University-  
West Plains



**Katherine Wyman**  
University of Missouri-  
Columbia



## **Judge Leah B. McCartney Scholarship Fund**

The Judge Leah B. McCartney Scholarship Fund was created by Leah's husband, Reverend Victor McCartney, as a perpetual memorial to his wife. The scholarship is a fitting memorial to one who achieved both educational and professional distinction. This year, one student received a McCartney scholarship in the amount of \$2,000.



**Kollin Battle**  
Kent State University

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## Lawrence & Gracia Herbert Scholarship Fund

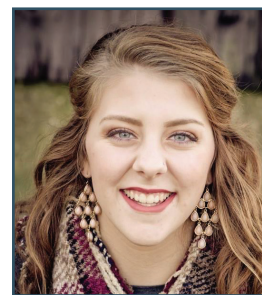
Larry and Gracia Herbert had no children of their own, but everyone they met became a part of their family. Larry did not complete a formal education, but he and Gracia both knew the advantages and costs of having a college degree. Devout Methodists, Larry and Gracia provided a generous gift to the Foundation that helps others attain their educational goals. This year, three students from Central Methodist University received Herbert scholarships in the amount of \$3,000 each and one Missouri seminarian at Saint Paul School of Theology received \$2,000.



Ryanne Burks



Emily Greene



Emilee Long

## Reinhardt Scholarship Fund

Bill and Mary Alice Reinhardt were devoted members of Centralia UMC and avid supporters of education and community organizations focused on improving the lives of future generations. Bill and Mary Alice each left gifts through estate plans to establish and grow this scholarship endowment. This year two students were awarded a Reinhardt Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 each.



Sara Lucas  
University of Missouri-  
Columbia



Madalyn Weber  
University of Missouri-  
Columbia

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## Merrydelle G. May Memorial Fund

Merrydelle May was active in Methodist causes statewide, including Epworth Children and Family Services, Gambrell Gardens, and the Wednesday Club. A member of the Methodist Hall of Fame, Mrs. May held a master's degree in social work and was an avid supporter of higher education. This year, nine students received a May scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 each.



**Benjamin Brim**  
Grinnell College



**Jane Heisserer**  
Evangel University



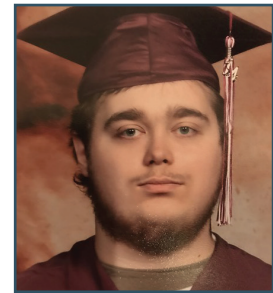
**Tessa McCain**  
University of Missouri-  
St. Louis



**Sam Meyer**  
University of Missouri-  
Columbia



**Zachary Schank**  
Missouri Western State  
University



**Brendan Sorrells**  
University of  
Central Missouri



**Hannah Sorrells**  
University of  
Central Missouri



**Whitman Stanfield-Myers**  
Graceland University



**Weston Zoll**  
Missouri University of  
Science and Technology

# ***How to Create a Scholarship Fund***

A scholarship fund is a wonderful way to encourage the next generation and help offset the rising cost of education. Whether you want to focus only on eligible students within your congregation or assist Methodist students across Missouri, the Foundation makes it easy!

## **Step 1**

Contact the Foundation to discuss how you want your scholarship set up. We will prepare a brief document for your review, approval, and signature. This document indicates your preferences regarding certain designations and student eligibility requirements.

## **Step 2**

Deliver your initial gift. The initial funding must be at least \$10,000 to create a fund. After the fund is set up you may make additional gifts at any time and in any amount.

## **Step 3**

Distribution of awards. Most funds rely on accumulated investment earnings to supply the annual scholarship. Therefore, many newly created funds do not make an initial award distribution for the first three or four years. In some instances, awards can be distributed sooner if special provisions allow for some use of gift principal (see Step 1).

The Foundation will process student applications, verify student enrollment, and ensure the timely distribution of awards to the college or university on behalf of the recipient student. The Foundation will also help get the word out to prospective students each year.

***Your scholarship fund can be a source of annual celebration within your congregation, and a meaningful lasting legacy. Contact the Foundation today at 800-332-8238.***

# MINISTRY GRANTS

## Fall 2018

**Advance UMC-** \$3,500 to help purchase a digital LED sign

**Asbury UMC- Foley-** \$2,013 to help purchase musical equipment for the worship arts program

**Ashland UMC- St. Joseph-** \$2,500 to help purchase new A/V equipment

**Clever UMC-** \$4,000 to help fund construction of ADA compliant steps and sidewalks

**Community UMC- Columbia-** \$2,000 to help purchase materials for the Bike to the Future ministry

**Epworth Children & Family Services- St. Louis-** \$5,000 to help meet costs not covered by the State for the Chafee Foster Care Program

**Grace UMC- Madison-** \$1,500 to help purchase new A/V equipment

**Kingdom House- St. Louis-** \$5,000 to help fund the Children's Defense Fund Freedom School expansion

**Lebanon First UMC-** \$3,000 to help purchase promotional products for the new marketing and branding of FUMC of Lebanon

**Living Word UMC- Wildwood-** \$2,750 to help purchase school supplies, coats, uniforms and books for Balancing the Scales Ministry

**Mound City UMC-** \$2,500 to help purchase new A/V equipment

**North Star UMC- Liberty-** \$4,000 to help purchase A/V equipment and lighting fixtures

**Rolla First UMC-** \$3,000 to help purchase new chairs and storage racks for multi-purpose area



Kids building a bird house during Camp Collision held at Trinity UMC in Piedmont

**Saint Luke's UMC- St. Louis-** \$2,500 to help fund equipment for an on-line worship broadcast

**Saint Paul's UMC- Joplin-** \$3,500 to help provide Celebrate Recovery materials to veterans and persons with mental health issues

**Trinity UMC- Appleton City-** \$1,326 to help purchase new computers

**Trinity UMC- Moberly-** \$2,500 to help purchase video equipment to live-stream services

**Trinity UMC- Piedmont-** \$4,000 to help purchase A/V and supplies for the Collide and Camp Collision programs

**University UMC- St. Louis-** \$2,000 to help purchase equipment for the Open Door Pantry

**Vienna UMC-** \$4,000 to help fund bathroom renovations to meet ADA requirements

## Spring 2019

**Blue Springs First UMC-** \$2,400 to help purchase two portable address units and a wireless microphone

**Cassville UMC-** \$2,500 to help fund Vacation Bible School hosted by Heartland Camps

**Centralia UMC-** \$2,500 to help purchase a 15 passenger van and other start up needs for a before and after school program

**Elsberry UMC-** \$2,500 to help with costs for Summer Eagle Lake Mobile Camp

**Good Shepherd UMC- North Oak-** \$3,000 to help fund Worship in the Park a new event to bring all three locations together for a Immersion Baptism worship

**Lamar UMC-** \$3,000 to help purchase the remaining equipment needed for a contemporary worship service

**Maple UMC- Cape Girardeau-** \$2,500 to help purchase A/V equipment

**Neosho UMC-** \$2,500 to help with costs repairing and upgrading the current Audio/ Visual equipment

**North Park UMC- St. Louis-** \$2,000 to help fund programs that increase church outreach

**Odessa First UMC-** \$2,500 to help fund Baby Grace camps

**Pomme de Terre UMC- Hermitage-** \$2,500 to help purchase a modular ramp/platform system

**Sikeston First UMC-** \$2,500 to help purchase new sound equipment

**Trinity UMC- Bloomfield-** \$2,500 to help fund the summer camp through Eagle Lake Camp

**Union Memorial UMC- St. Louis-** \$10,000 to help fund a multifaceted computer summer camp

**Washington First UMC-** \$2,500 to help purchase portable sound equipment

**Waverly UMC-** \$2,400 to help with costs to purchase and install a new outdoor sign

**Wentzville UMC-** \$3,000 to help purchase new lighting for the Christian Life Center and parking lot

**Wesley UMC- Festus-** \$4,000 to help purchase materials for Celebrate Recovery



Baptism at Worship in the Park sponsored by Good Shepherd UMC



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