Dear High School Senior:

The Christian Education Scholarship Committee of New Hope Baptist Church is happy to announce our 29th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Awards.

To qualify as a potential scholarship recipient student must: (1) be graduating senior from a Buffalo public high school this June 2019, (2) have an overall average (GPA) of at least 85 and (3) will become a full time student at an accredited college or university this upcoming fall 2018 semester. Be sure to carefully read and complete all attached information.

All required paperwork must be received or postdated by Friday, May 3, 2019. Students must complete all sections of the application (two pages). Be sure to look over the enclosed check list.

All information should be forwarded to the following address:

Mrs. Retta Billingslea
41 Calderwood Drive
Cheektowaga, NY 14215

If you need additional information, please contact Mrs. Retta Billingslea at 835-4737 or akaretta@verizon.net.

Sincerely,

Retta Billingslea
Mrs. Retta Billingslea, Chair
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Awards
New Hope Baptist Church
Christian Education Scholarship Committee
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Buffalo, New York 14211
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Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Application

Name: ________________________________ Birth Date: ___________ Sex: M or F

Address: ___________________________ Zip Code: ___________ Phone #: ___________

E-MAIL: ______________________________ Place of Birth: __________________________

Ethnicity: ___ Alaskan ___ American Indian ___ Asian ___ Black/African American ___ Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander ___ Hispanic ___ Other

Mother’s Name: ________________________ Father’s Name: ________________________

Occupation: ___________________________ Occupation: ___________________________

Yearly Income: _________________________ Yearly Income: _________________________

Number of family members living at home under the age of 18: _______ Number in college: _______

Will you be the first in your family to attend college? Yes or No

High School: ___________________________ Average: _______ Class Rank: _______

Place of Worship: ________________________

List community service, volunteer work and church activities, also include any positions held:

________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

List extra-curricular activities and offices held:

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________________________________________________________________________
Student Application continue

Please feel free to use additional sheets to complete any section. Be sure to include your name on each additional sheet(s).

Remember to include:

- **Two professional references and one personal** — community-based reference.
- An autobiographical essay, to include one to two typed pages, at least 500 words
- An official high school transcript submitted by school

Lists hobbies, skills, talents, etc.:

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List awards, honors, recognitions, etc.:

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What college do you plan to attend? ________________________________

Have you received an acceptance letter? Yes or No If so, date received: ____________

Major course of study: ________________________________

Career Goal: ________________________________

List other scholarships, grants, etc. that you have applied for: ________________________________

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Students’ Signature: ________________________________ Date: ____________

Parent’s or Guardian’s Signature: ________________________________ Date: ____________

Parent’s or Guardian’s Signature: ________________________________ Date: ____________
March 2019

Scholarship Application Checklist:

1. All applicants must be in attendance in a Buffalo Public School.

2. Completed application (either two pages or double-sided) – all areas must be completed with student’s and parent’s or guardian’s signatures.

3. An official high school transcript submitted by the school.

4. Autobiographical essay must be typed page(s) with at least 500 words.

5. Two official letters of recommendations from a school professional (administrator, teacher or guidance counselor).

6. Third letter should come from a community person (religious leader, political leader, or employer.)

7. All applications must be received or postdated by Friday, May 3, 2019. Any required paperwork received after this date will not be considered.

8. Submit all paperwork to:
   Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship
   c/o Mrs. Retta Billingslea
   41 Calderwood Drive
   Cheektowaga, NY 14215

Any questions or concerns please contact Mrs. Retta Billingslea at (716) 835-4737 or akaretta@verizon.net