

## **The Pinebrook Educational Foundation**

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**“The young people of this generation need to be educated in such a way that they may see every discipline and all of life as resting under the unified Lordship of Christ.”**

Rev. David Watkins, 1973

President of Pinebrook Junior College

**“Christians, of all people, should be committed to the pursuit of truth and to excellence in every field of endeavor into which the Lord leads them.**

BFC Higher Education Committee

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## **A Ministry of the Bible Fellowship Church**

## What is the PEF?

In 1949, Berean Bible School was established to train pastors, missionaries and church workers. Berean Bible School changed its name to Pinebrook Junior College in 1969 to reflect the enlarging purpose of the school to not only train pastors, missionaries and church workers, but to also train Christian men and women to use their gifts and interests for the glory of Christ in their particular vocation, both sacred and secular. Rev. Jansen Hartman, president of Berean Bible School and Pinebrook Junior College declared in 1964, **"The church must not lose the war being waged on the battle ground of the minds of her children. The Bible Fellowship Church if it is to remain strong must maintain a vital Christian educational program for the training of its future leaders."**

The Pinebrook Educational Foundation was established by the BFC Annual Conference in October, 1994, to continue the ministry of the Pinebrook Junior College and Berean Bible School by providing financial aid (1) to Christians who are studying at the post-secondary level, and (2) to Christian educational institutions at this level. Emphasis and priority is given to students attending Christian institutions and to higher educational endeavors closely related to the Bible Fellowship Church.

Since the Foundation was established, by God's grace, over \$185,550 of scholarships have been awarded. Helping over 216 students at more than 40 different colleges and universities. With your help, we hope to continue to help students in their academic pursuits for years to come.

The PEF is authorized to solicit funds from a wide range of sources. Donors may give to individual funds which make grants from current gifts, or to endowment funds which seek to insure a continuous stream of income for future grants. The board of the PEF engages a professional investment firm to oversee the investment of these funds.

## What are the PEF Funds?

At present, PEF accounts include the following:

**The Berean Bible School Scholarship Endowment Fund** provides aid to descendants of Berean Bible School graduates who are attending post-secondary educational institutions.

**The Pinebrook Junior College Scholarship Endowment Fund** provides aid to descendants of PJC alumni, who are attending post-secondary educational institutions.

**The Laura M. Didden Memorial Scholarship Fund** provides funding to full-time students attending a seminary or other graduate theological institutions who are preparing for Christian service as pastors or missionaries.

**The PEF General Scholarship Fund** provides aid to full-time students attending college or seminary, with preference given to members of the Bible Fellowship Church and their children.

**The PEF Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund** provides aid to students with the same qualifications as the General Scholarship above, but its funds are derived from gifts in honor or memory of loved ones.

**The Rev. & Mrs. R. C. Reichenbach Scholarship Fund** provides an award of \$1,000 annually to a male or female student in college or graduate studies preparing to enter full-time Christian service.

**The Robert Walker International Scholarship Fund** seeks to help students from foreign countries who are studying at Christian colleges or seminaries in the United States.

**The Daniel K. Ziegler Memorial Endowment Fund** aids ordained ministers in the Bible Fellowship Church who are engaged in advanced study leading to degrees beyond the undergraduate level.

**The Ungerer Memorial Fund** established in memory of Andrew W. Ungerer provides aid to Christian full-time students attending college or seminary.

**The Weaver Memorial Fund** provides aid to Christian full-time students attending college or seminary.

## What Can You Do?

The PEF welcomes donations to its General Fund, which makes grants from current gifts. Donations are also encouraged to the various endowment funds, from which the income is used for scholarship grants. Donations should be made payable to Pinebrook Educational Foundation and sent to Dr. Andrew T. Crossgrove at 140 Harleysville Pike, Harleysville, PA 19438. A receipt will be issued for tax deduction.

To request an application for a scholarship contact Dr. Andrew Crossgrove at [andycrossgrove@gmail.com](mailto:andycrossgrove@gmail.com). The deadline for completing and submitting all parts of the application is April 15th for the following academic year.