



March 2011

To: Pastors, churches, seminary school and seminarians of Asian American (Nikkei) Churches

2011 JEMS Scholarships for Seminary Students

Annually, scholarships are offered to seminarians who are preparing for ministry or full-time Christian vocation. This opportunity is being offered to seminary students who are members of or serving in some capacity in an Asian-American (Nikkei) church. We request your assistance in distributing this letter and the forms to your seminary students.

The qualifying requirements are as follows:

1. The applicant **MUST** be a seminary student and have a B.A. degree or its equivalent.
2. Preference will be given to applicants who come from or serve in an Asian-American Nikkei church in Southern and Northern California.
3. All scholarships will be granted on the basis of need, promise, and Christian maturity.

This year, JEMS will award scholarships of \$500 each. The funds for the scholarships were raised at the JEMS Christmas Celebration concert on December 5, 2010, and through the partnership of the Japan America Aratani Theatre.

Applications and reference forms are available through the JEMS Office.

JEMS Scholarship Committee
Lowell Edward Sue, Director of Music
948 East 2nd Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 613-0022 / lowells@JEMS.org

The application deadline is April 30, 2011. The applications and the references should be mailed to the above address. The scholarships shall be awarded in May 2011.

Should there be any questions, please call the JEMS office. Thank you.

Richard E. Chuman
Executive Director

2011 JEMS Scholarship Application

sponsored by

JEMS Music Ministry and Japan America Theatre

JEMS Mission Statement: Enabling Japanese and those of Asian descent to be authentic disciples of Jesus Christ by creatively developing and providing ministry opportunities in partnership with churches.

Submit application and references before April 30, 2011

Name:	Mr/Miss/Mrs _____		
Address:	_____		
	City: _____	State _____	Zip: _____
Birthdate:	_____	Marital Status (single/married)	_____
	E-Mail _____		
Day Phone No. ()	_____	Home Phone No.	_____

I. CHURCH RELATIONSHIP AND MINISTRY RESPONSIBILITIES

Church member of _____
Church Name Address

Currently Attending _____
Church Name Address

Responsibilities in Churches OR other Ministries (may attach additional sheet)

Inclusive Dates	Name of Church/Pastor or Organization/Supervisor	Responsibilities

Denominational Affiliation/Preference: _____

II. EDUCATION

	School	Location	Yr. Of Graduation or Yrs. Compl'd	Major
High School	_____	_____	_____	_____
College or University	_____	_____	_____	_____
Seminary	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____	_____	_____

III. ALL OTHER EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

IV. CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCES

How did you become a Christian? _____

Explain your calling to ministry. _____

V. VOCATIONAL PLANS

Pastoral Ministry ____ Missionary ____ Other ____ (describe)

VI. REFERENCES (3)

Should not be members of your family or relatives. One of the three individuals shall be your current pastor. Please send each of the below references a "JEMS Scholarship Applicant Reference Form" which should be mailed by them directly to JEMS.

	NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE NO.
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____

**VII. FINANCIAL STATEMENT
(INDICATE MONTHLY OR ANNUAL)**

Number of Dependents (not including self) _____

	<u>Expenses</u>		<u>Income</u>
Tuition	_____	Earnings	
Food	_____	During school year	_____
Room, Board	_____	During semester	_____
Utilities	_____	During summer	_____
Books & Supplies	_____	Spouse's Salary	_____
Clothing	_____	Aid from Family	_____
Personal debt (specify)	_____	Loans (specify)	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____		
Payments on car or		Scholarships (specify)	
Furniture	_____	_____	_____
Insurance on car	_____	_____	_____
Health Insurance	_____	_____	_____
Car Maintenance	_____		
Misc. Expenses	_____	Additional Aid (specify)	
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
Donations/Tithe	_____	_____	_____
		_____	_____
TOTAL EXPENSES	_____	TOTAL INCOME	_____

Any additional information:

Applicant's signature

Date

JEMS SCHOLARSHIP REFERENCE FORM
(Please complete and return to JEMS before April 30, 2011)

Reference for: _____

The above-named applicant has applied for the seminarians' scholarship sponsored by the JEMS (Japanese Evangelical Missionary Society) and Japan America Theatre. The information on this form is strictly confidential and is not accessible to the candidate. Your frank response will be most helpful in making our selections. Thank you.

I. REFERENCE COMPLETED BY

Name _____	Position Title _____
Address _____	Home Phone _____
_____	Work Phone _____

II. ACQUAINTANCE

How long have you known the applicant? _____

How well do you know the applicant? _____
In what capacity, describe relationship. _____

If this applicant has worked under your supervision, please describe position responsibilities.

Please complete the reverse side.

III. PERSONALITY TRAITS (CHECK ONE BOX PER TRAIT)

Traits	poor	fair	good	excellent
Initiative				
Emotional Stability				
Intelligence				
Sociability				
Leadership Ability				

IV. FINANCIAL

Describe the financial needs of the candidate. _____

V. OTHER COMMENTS

Reference Signature _____ Date _____

Please send directly to: **JEMS SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**
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Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. Should you have any questions, please call (213) 613-0022 / lowells@JEMS.org