



The TSBC Appalachian Ministry Institute welcomes applications!

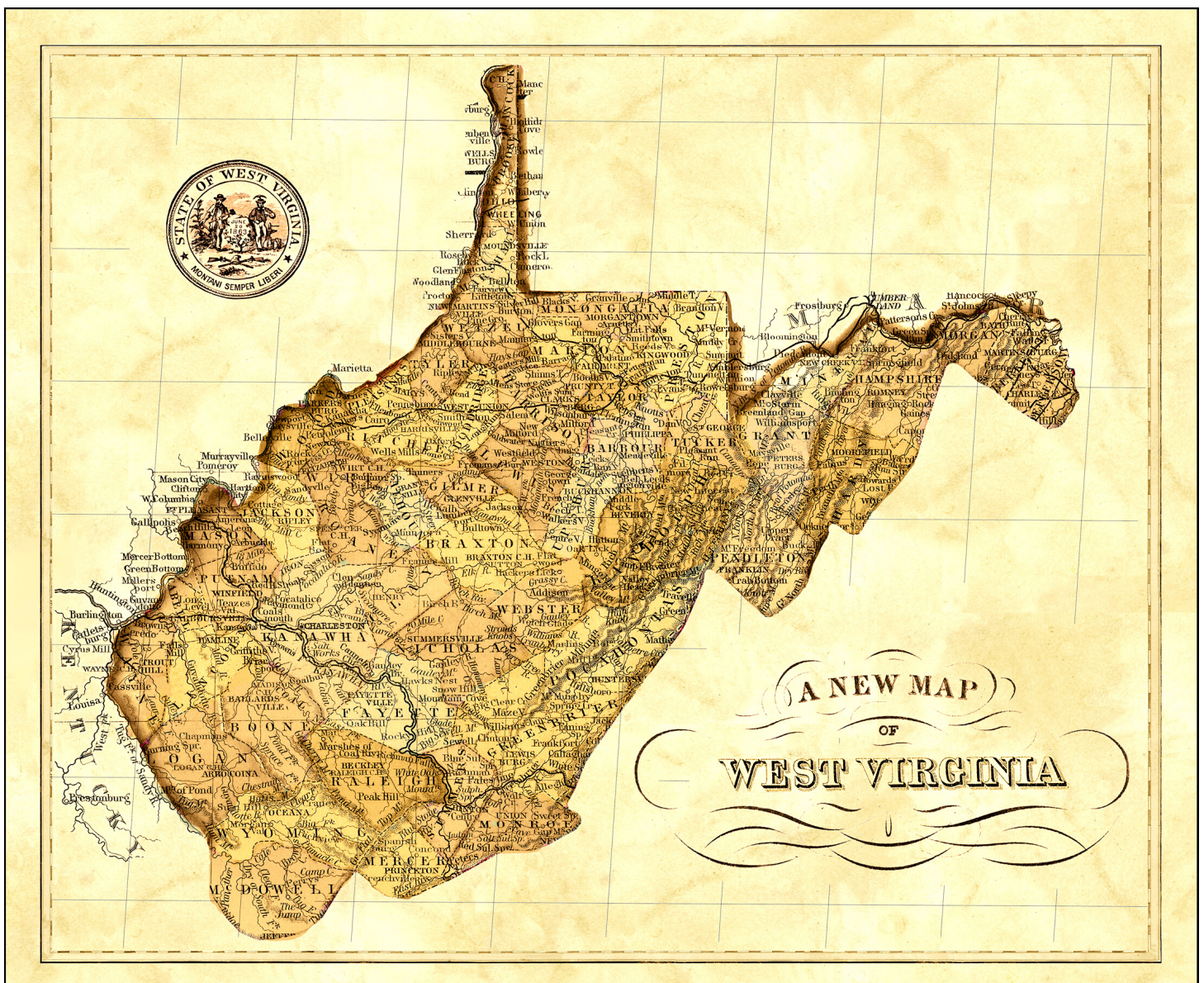
BI-VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP
for Bi-Vocational Households

Nash-Merritt Pastoral Legacy

Normal A. Nash was a grocer from Cabell County, WV, whom God called to preach in the 1940's. He evangelized across southern West Virginia, while he and his wife, Weltha, raised a family of fourteen children from their county store. Later, Reverend Nash became a full-time minister in the United Methodist Church, pastoring in Cabell, Logan, Mason, and Wayne counties.

Two of Rev. Nash's children grew up to marry siblings, the children of Donald and Alice Merritt. Normal A. Nash, Jr. married Norma Merritt, and Carl Merritt married Sandra Nash. Under Rev. Nash's ministry, his son-in-law, Carl Merritt, was saved and also called to preach in the 1970s. He, likewise, served as a bi-vocational pastor and evangelist for nearly forty years. In the 1990's, Normal A. Nash, Jr., who was saved at a young age in one of in father's tent revivals, re-committed his life to Christ under his brother-in-law, Pastor Merritt's, ministry.

Multiple pastors, pastors' wives, deacons, Sunday School teachers, missionaries, and church leaders have come from the Nash and Merritt family trees. With their testimony in mind, this scholarship is intended to help equip those whom God has called to bi-vocational ministry and their families. The scholarship reminds those in bi-vocational ministry that they are discipling at home as well, raising up the next generation of servant leaders.





ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP

Tri-State Bible College (TSBC) equips stewards, shepherds, and servants to fulfill their ministries in Christ's commission by offering access to a community of believing, biblical scholarship resulting in lives that glorify God through theological discernment, biblical & contextual intelligence, spiritual devotion, and ministry competence. We exist to help bi-vocational pastors and their families *fulfill their ministry*.

The Bi-Vocational Scholarship for Pastors at TSBC welcomes applications from pastors, who are serving Christ and his local church in a bi-vocational setting. Applicants may be enrolled in any TSBC certificate or degree program. Entering and returning students are invited to apply. Returning students must be in good academic and financial standing at TSBC in order to be eligible for the scholarship. Applicants must also be residents of north central Appalachia — West Virginia, northeastern Kentucky, or southern Ohio — to be considered eligible. For the fall and spring semesters, a total of \$7,500 is available to be awarded per semester by the scholarship committee. Scholarship funds will only be used toward tuition at TSBC. As part of the requirements for accepting this award, recipients must write and submit to the Financial Aid Office a thank-you letter to the donors for the Bi-Vocational Scholarship for Pastors. Any Certificate or Degree.

Interested students should contact the Financial Aid Office at TSBC to acquire an application for the Scholarship for Bi-Vocational Households. Application deadlines are January 1st for the spring semester and August 15th for the fall semester.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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APPLICATION

Bi-Vocational Scholarship for Pastors

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Semester & Year:

Current Local Church Ministry:

Years in Current Local Church Ministry :

Other Local Church Ministries (if applicable):

Corresponding Years in Other Local Church Ministries (if applicable):

Secondary Vocation:

Reference from Current Local Church Ministry:

Reference from Former Local Church Ministry (if applicable):

Verification of Local Church Ordination Completion:

Program of Study at TSBC:

Number of Hours Completed at Submission of the Application:

Description of Applicant's Financial Need:

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Is the application complete? Yes or No If no, has the applicant been contacted? Yes or No

Has the application been submitted to the committee? Yes or No

Date of committee review of the application:

Decision of the committee regarding the applicant:

Date the committee contacted the applicant regarding their decision: