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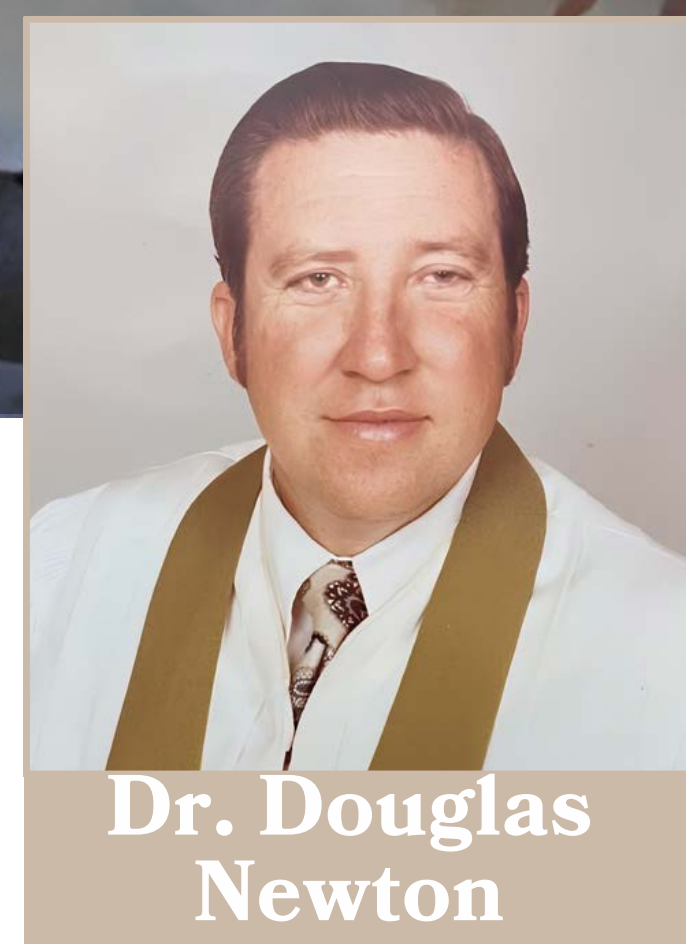


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NEWSLETTER

Remembering the Mission

God has blessed us with success in our mission to provide scholarships and support for those who are called to full-time ministry. This success wouldn't have been possible without the early champions of our mission like Douglas Newton.



The Reverend Dr. Douglas Newton served on the board of our foundation for many years. He attended Asbury College and Candler School of Theology. When Asbury received its accreditation and began to receive UMC students, Dr. Doug and several other pastors from our conference saw the hardships that Asbury Seminary students faced because of debt from their seminary tuition. They resolved to begin this foundation and help address that burden. They partnered together to give these students the support and encouragement needed to live out God's call in ministry.

Their hope was that one day they could support students in such a way that they could graduate debt free. Thanks to the generosity of hundreds of faithful people, that day has become a reality. We are grateful to those like Dr. Newton who had a vision to meet a need and took faithful action trusting God to fulfill it!

Equipping the Called

Our mission is to provide generous scholarships to qualified students from the Alabama Emerald Coast region who are studying higher education at Asbury Theological Seminary, enabling them to receive a quality graduate degree without being burdened by student loan debt.

The high cost of a seminary education causes substantial financial pressure on our students and their families. The average student loan debt among seminary students who rely on loans is \$33,537. We provide financial aid equaling 50% of student tuition for all of our qualified applicants.

We Need Your Support

Our foundation is searching for new donors to join us in our mission. With your help, we can continue to provide financial aid, mentoring, and a transformative theological education to those entering full-time ministry. To make a tax-deductible contribution, you can give online at asburyseminaryfoundation.com, or by check to:

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Answering the Call

Meet our Newest Scholarship Recipients

From Savannah White

I'm beyond thrilled to announce that I will begin pursuing my Master of Arts in Christian Ministries through Asbury Theological Seminary this spring. I plan on obtaining this degree as an online student while I work full-time as an Associate Student Minister at Crosspoint Church, a Global Methodist Congregation in Niceville, Florida.



My dream of attending seminary has finally become a reality because of many encouraging and empowering mentors in my life, as well as my loving husband, Parker White. In addition, I was able to confidently step into this next chapter of my life because of the Asbury Seminary Foundation. The foundation has not only provided for my physical needs and given me relief from the financial burden I was carrying, but they also have stepped in as champions for me. It was more than just money but words of encouragement and kindness extended to me that made me feel assured and proud to partner with them. I commit to do my absolute best at Asbury to express my gratitude for the generosity of those who have given sacrificially with glad hearts. Thank you for kindness and encouraging me while I focus on being obedient with the Lord's call on my life.

From Rev. Randall Jackson

I'm a Transitional Local Pastor and serve Pine Hill-Arlington Methodist Church in Wilcox County, Alabama. I am very grateful for your contributions to the Asbury Seminary Foundation, as they are greatly needed to help further the building of our Lord's Kingdom. We are now facing some of the most difficult ministerial challenges in all of church history, and the need for sound scriptural doctrine is paramount for properly sharing Christ with others. Your contributions help make that possible. You are helping people to know Jesus. Again, thank you!



To learn more about each of our seminary students, please visit asburyseminaryfoundation.com/ourstudents





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We are excited to announce our **Celebrating25 campaign to support our future Asbury seminary students. The Global Methodist Church's newly launched Alabama Emerald Coast Annual Conference is now 135 churches and growing. We will be celebrating the first 25 GMC churches who make a financial commitment to support the Asbury Foundation for the next year. If your congregation would be interested in being a church partner through a financial gift, simply make a contribution on behalf of your church.**

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