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WMU SCHOLARSHIPS

Supporting the next generation



If you asked a Southern Baptist today what WMU is known for, I would guess "praying for our missionaries" would be at the top of the list of responses. While we certainly do our fair share of praying here at WMU, supporting missionaries doesn't stop there. WMU and the WMU Foundation also provide a number of scholarships that support the children of Southern Baptist missionaries both in North America and abroad.

Providing scholarships for missionary kids (MKs) is one of the most impactful ways we can support missionaries on the field. Missionaries give up much to follow the Lord's call into full-time service—homes, friends, support networks, and in many cases, college savings for their children. This is a real need for many missionary families, and providing for this need makes a difference in their lives.

MKs have a lot to navigate when they return to the United States for college: adjusting to a new culture, leaving parents and siblings, and navigating the rigors of academia, just to name a few. The least we can do is offer a little financial support to take "How do I pay for college?" off their list of concerns.

Don't just take it from me. Here are a few words of gratitude from the students themselves:

Hello WMU Foundation! I'm Kathryn, MK and recent graduate of Union University with the help of your scholarship. Thank you for all that you do to share God's love with students. It truly makes a difference.

-Kathryn, MK

As a daughter of International Mission Board missionaries, receiving this scholarship is a humbling, full-circle moment. This award provided not only financial assistance but also peace of mind to pursue the Lord in college.

-Jadyn, MK

My calling has been to go into medical missions internationally since I was a senior in high school. You generously and faithfully provided a scholarship for me for four years while I worked through medical school, and it was incredibly helpful knowing I had your support.

-Lydia, MK

To learn more about MK scholarships, and how you can make a difference in the lives of the MKs of today and the missionaries of tomorrow, visit wmufoundation.com.

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