

TORRANCE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH




2026 TFPC SCHOLARSHIP

Application & Program Guide

About This Scholarship

The TFPC Scholarship is designed to support students of Korean descent who are actively involved in a Christian community and pursuing pastoral or teaching ministry at a U.S.-accredited seminary or university. The scholarship is awarded based on academic excellence, ministry or volunteer experience, financial need, and a strong desire to serve the Korean-American community.

Important Dates

 Application Deadline:	June 30, 2026
 Online Interview (Top Candidates):	July 27, 2026
 Announcement of Recipients:	August 7, 2026

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must meet ALL of the following criteria:

- U.S. citizen or Green Card holder (currently living in the U.S.)
- Of Korean descent
- Active member of a Christian church
- Enrolled (full-time or part-time) in an ATS-accredited institution pursuing one of the following degrees:
 - Master of Divinity (M.Div) | Master of Arts in Christian Education (M.A.C.E.) | Master of Theology (Th.M)*
 - Doctor of Ministry (D.Min) | Doctor of Philosophy in Theology (Ph.D.) | or equivalent*
- Scholarship funds must be used strictly for tuition expenses
- Has NOT previously received a TFPC Scholarship
- Submits ALL required materials by the stated deadline

Application Requirements

The following documents must be submitted:

- Completed application form (available below)
- Essay: Personal testimony and statement of faith (theological beliefs, spiritual convictions, perspectives on marriage, and the authority and inerrancy of Scripture)
- Short-answer responses to 3 required questions (see Application Form)
- Two (2) letters of recommendation dated this year — one academic, one pastoral (digital)

submissions required)

- Official transcript from most recent academic institution (digital submission required)
- Proof of admission or current enrollment (for students beginning Fall 2026)

How to Submit

Submit the completed application, official transcripts, and letters of recommendation via email to:
tfpcpcusa@hotmail.com

Please note: All submitted documents will not be returned. Scholarship funds will be paid directly to your school.

TORRANCE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 2026 Scholarship Application Form

You must either type or print all answers neatly in ink. Submit via email to: tfpcpcusa@hotmail.com

Section 1 — Personal Information

1. Full Name

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

2. Permanent Mailing Address

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

3. Email Address

Email

Phone Number

Section 2 — Church Membership

5. Current Church Membership

Current Church Name

Denomination

6. List of All Churches Attended in the Past 10 Years

Church Name	Year (From – To)

Section 3 — Academic Information

7. School to Be Attending in Fall 2026

School Name

School Address

Degree / Program

Expected Graduation Date

8. All Colleges / Universities / Seminaries Attended

School(s)	Degree(s)	Graduation Date

Most Recent Cumulative GPA (4.0 Scale)

** Official transcript is required.*

Section 4 — Financial Information

9. Other Financial Assistance Per Year

Personal Amount \$

Other Scholarship \$

Student Loan \$

Other Resources

Comments or Explanation of Financial Need

Declaration & Signature

I hereby declare that the above statement and information are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand any willful dishonesty may render for the refusal of this application or immediate termination of scholarship.

Signature

Print Name

Date

2026 TFPC Scholarship — Written Responses

Essay — Personal Testimony & Statement of Faith

Describe your personal testimony and statement of faith, including your core theological beliefs, spiritual convictions, and perspectives regarding marriage and the authority and inerrancy of Scripture.

Short-Answer Questions

Q1. What does a healthy church look like in the next 10–20 years, especially in a post-Christian culture? What role do you see yourself playing?

Q2. In light of the changing culture and dynamics of modern churches in Korea and the United States, what do you believe should be the role and direction of Korean immigrant churches in America?

Q3. How would you explain the core of the Gospel—including the truth of Jesus' resurrection—to a skeptical teenager or a young child, and how would you encourage young believers who may struggle to trust or understand it?
