



*The*  
*Evelyn Southerland Averá Scholarship*  
*of*  
*First Presbyterian Church*

Evelyn Southerland Avera portrayed the ultimate characteristics of Christianity. Her integrity and love of her fellow man were always apparent. She was goal-oriented and would work diligently to meet personal goals or accepted assignments. She was a kind, caring and sincere lady who made a positive impact on her family, church, and community. She was a ray of sunshine wherever she went. Those who knew her refer to her as understanding, considerate and logical. Her own standards were high, and she lived up to them. She wanted to live and let live, to help others, and to enjoy life.

The children of Evelyn Southerland Avera pay tribute to her life with this scholarship.

### **Evelyn Southerland Avera Scholarship Guidelines**

1. All applicants shall be affiliated with the Church, i.e., an active member, child of an active or deceased member, or grandchild of an active or deceased member.
2. The applicant should demonstrate financial need. Financial need may be determined by use of the FAFSA guidelines and/or personal knowledge of applicant by member/s of the Selection Committee.
3. The scholarship shall be awarded to a student who is enrolled or has been accepted as a full time student to an accredited two or four year institution.
4. The recipient must have a grade point average of 2.5 or better.
5. Priority will be given to undergraduate students, but graduate students may apply if funding permits.

**Deadline for applications is June 15<sup>th</sup>. Completed applications should be submitted to the Clerk of Session.** Scholarship payments will be disbursed not later than the 1<sup>st</sup> day of class.

## **APPLICATION THE EVELYN SOUTHERLAND AVERA SCHOLARSHIP FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SMITHFIELD, NORTH CAROLINA**

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

High School Attended \_\_\_\_\_

Current Student Status \_\_\_\_\_

If enrolled, where \_\_\_\_\_

GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Have you completed your FASFA for this year? \_\_\_\_ What amount did you qualify for? \_\_\_\_\_

Identify your affiliation with First Presbyterian Church, i.e., member, child of member, grandchild of member)

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Please include the following with this application:

1. Copy of most recent high school or college transcript.
2. Two letters of reference
3. An essay of 500 words or less outlining in what ways you think your academic achievements, community service, church involvement and future academic and career goals embody the spirit and character of Evelyn Avera. In your essay, please describe your need for financial assistance.

The Avera Scholarship Committee will judge applicants on academic performance, need, church background and service to the church and community.