

The Bob Simpson Memorial Scholarship is designed for college students who are members of Community Lutheran Church in Escondido and San Marcos to continue their pursuit of a college degree. To apply for this scholarship, you must be a current member of Community Lutheran Church and in regular worship. Students will need to maintain a 2.5 GPA in order to receive 2nd semester funds. Please complete the following application and essay. Turn into Rachel Zamorano.

Applications and essays will be reviewed by a three-person committee and the scholarships will be handed out according to their decisions. This is a one-time scholarship. Applications and essays are due by the last Sunday of March. You will be notified by email of your scholarship award by May 15. Scholarship checks will be sent directly to your college and applied to your student account. To ensure timely processing, please contact your school's financial aid or student accounts office to confirm the correct mailing address and any required student account information. Be prepared to share these details with Rachel, including how your school prefers to receive and process scholarship payments.

Name: _____

Current School: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please write a 750-word essay that helps us understand who you are, where you are headed, and how your faith and community have shaped you. In your essay, please address one or more of the following topics:

- **Your academic goals:** What degree are you pursuing, and what has led you to choose this field of study? Explain how this path connects to your interests, values, or sense of vocation. How do you see this path connected to your faith?
- **Influential relationships:** Identify one person outside of your immediate family who has had a significant influence on your life. Explain who they are and how their guidance, example, or encouragement has impacted you, your future, and your faith.
- **Your faith community:** How are you plugged into Community Lutheran Church? Describe the role Community has played in your life. How has it supported, challenged, or shaped you spiritually and personally?
- **Faith and college life:** How do you plan to stay connect to God and your faith in this chapter of your life? What challenges do you anticipate facing in college? Describe how your faith can help you navigate these challenges and guide your future.
- **Looking ahead:** Where do you see yourself in the next five to seven years? Share your hopes for your career, personal growth, and faith journey.

Your essay should be thoughtful, well-organized, and personal. We encourage you to be honest and reflective as you share.

Robert (Bob) Lee Simpson was born on July 27, 1957, in Escondido, California, and passed away on March 1, 2008. He was a resident of Escondido for 50 years and graduated from Escondido High School in 1976. Bob was a devoted member of Community Lutheran Church, where he played in the handbell choir, sang in the choir, and served as Assistant Sunday School Superintendent for 18 years. He also assisted with the football programs at Escondido High School, Orange Glen High School, and Valley Center High School, as well as the basketball program at Escondido High School.