**Dr. Ellen Cauthen Utley Scholarship Fund at**

**Lake Oconee Presbyterian Church**

**113 Scott Road, Eatonton, Georgia 31024**

A student scholarship fund has been established at Lake Oconee Presbyterian Church (LOPC).

The scholarship may be awarded to any student who is a high school senior in Greene or Putnam Counties who cannot afford to pursue a post-secondary education due to financial circumstances.

The Scholarship Award Committee will be composed of six active members of LOPC including one ordained elder. This Committee will establish a timeline for processing applications in the spring of each calendar year which may be published in the LOPC newsletter and local newspapers. Applications will be available in the church office and on the church’s website, https://www.lopc-pca.org/lopc-scholarship-application. The Committee will review all applications and may conduct individual interviews with eligible applicants before making its final decision.

Written applications must be submitted by all applicants to be received by LOPC by **January 15th**. In addition, the applicants should attach the following items:

1. A one-page typed applicant letter of intent introducing himself/herself. The letter should include future plans, his/her faith, and why receiving this scholarship is important.
2. A copy of applicant’s transcript
3. Letter of acceptance from the post-secondary school the applicant plans to attend
4. Three letters of reference
5. one from applicant’s high school counselor
6. one from a teacher
7. one from applicant’s minister/mentor

The scholarship amount, up to $1000, will be paid directly to the post-secondary school the scholarship recipient will attend. The payment will be accompanied by a letter from LOPC instructing the school to apply the payment to the tuition and other fees including room and board and books of the recipient. The letter should request that the school confirm in writing that the student is enrolled in the school.