

Bishop Gerald J. Kaufman Scholarship

The ASUM Scholarship Fund, Inc. is pleased to announce that applications for the Bishop Gerald J. Kaufman Scholarship are now being accepted. One winner will secure a scholarship in the amount of \$1,500 to study Pastoral studies for Inner/Urban City Ministry at Antioch School of Urban Ministry.

The scholarship was created in honor of Bishop Gerald Julius Kaufman, Founder of Love Gospel Assembly & Antioch School of Urban Ministry, for his lifelong contribution and passion for Inner City Ministry including preaching, teaching, ministry building, leadership and community development services.

ABOUT BISHOP GERALD J. KAUFMAN

Bishop Gerald Julius Kaufman, born to Jewish parents (Fred and Julia Kaufman), was raised in a semi-orthodox Jewish home. He was Bar Mitzvahed at the age of thirteen. Erroneously following the lead of older friends who drank alcohol, Kaufman abandoned his religious upbringing and turned to a life that led to incarceration and a 12-year heroin addiction. On December 9, 1962, Kaufman walked into Damascus Christian Church, a Pentecostal Puerto Rican Church, where he was prayed for by Rev. Leoncia Rosado-Rosseau "Mama Leo" and was instantly delivered from the drug addiction. Shortly thereafter, Bishop Kaufman attended Zion Bible Institute in East Providence, RI where he mastered his studies and graduated with honors. In October 1970, Bishop started Love Gospel Assembly with only one person in a Sunday School class, after Ricardo Tanon, Pastor of John 3:16, saw a need for an English Department within his Spanish-speaking congregation. Bishop Kaufman founded Antioch School of Urban Ministry 1981 to prepare young men and women to be ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the urban areas. Both Antioch and Love Gospel Assembly have made an indelible mark in the Bronx and the inner cities nationally. Bishop Kaufman's theology and messages revolved around the scripture verse Micah 6:9, "The Lord's voice crieth unto the city ", where he embraced the belief that the key to spiritual revival in America was found within major cities.

Bishop Kaufman's compassion for the city is being used as a modern-day model for others to follow. Services such as The Love Kitchen, a Care Services Ministry, and Antioch School of Urban Ministry have been replicated throughout the City of New York and Internationally. The Bishop Gerald J. Kaufman Scholarship will be awarded to a student majoring in Pastoral Studies for Inner City Ministry.

Eligibility:

- Must have a minimum Grade Point Average of 3.0.
- Interest in pursuing studies in Pastoral Studies for Inner City Ministry.
- Financial need.
- This scholarship may be awarded more than once in a student's academic career.

Applicants must submit:

- A complete [ASUM Scholarship Fund Application](#)
- Two letters of recommendation (one must be from an Antioch faculty member).
- A 200-word essay describing your dedication to your church and the community; your need for support, how this study experience will fit into your goals and future personal and spiritual aspirations in some aspect of biblical studies; and why these issues are important to you. Also, please describe your passion for Inner City Ministry.