

Sisters and Brothers

What a year we have had with this pandemic. With spring in the near future, we look forward to seeing the green grass and flowers starting to grow and bloom. So many of our chapters have had to do zoom meetings due to the restrictions set before us by the Most Worthy Grand Matron.

We should be blessed with the availability of the COVID vaccine. We are grateful for those who have received the call to minister and teach others the wonderful religious lessons that form the basis of our order. The Eastern Star Training Award for Religious Leadership was started to give financial assistance to those who seek to further their education to answer this call.

The ESTARL Award is given to candidates who are seeking to continue their education in the religious field, either as a minister, lay person, and/or director of church music, youth leadership, religious education or any other study related to religion. Remember, ESTARL recipients do not need to have Eastern Star or other Masonic relations.

If you know of a minister or youth group leader who seeks to further their studies, please give them an application. This is a wonderful way to spread the word about all the good Eastern Star does in our communities.

Several years ago, each Chapter was given a plastic canvas Church Bank to use for donations to this project. Hopefully this church is being passed around each meeting, (with Zoom meetings this past year maybe this project was added to dues notification).

The members of the ESTARL committee are in hopes that each Chapter is making every effort to use the Church Bank to increase donations. This is the only way that Grand Chapter can continue to provide scholarships to worthy recipients.

The deadline for applications is June 1, 2021. Please have all recipients complete the enclosed application form and send it to Carrie Way, ESTARL Committee Chairman, 100 Edencroft Road, Littleton, NH 03561 by June 1, 2021

We thank you for your continued support.

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Carrie S. Way, Lorraine and David Thompson

This Letter has the approval of the Worthy Grand Matron