



WGLB SCHOLARSHIP

IN MEMORY OF

Joel J Kinlow
THE LEGACY

Dear Applicant:
The WGLB Scholarship in Memory of Joel J Kinlow would like to invite you to qualify for their fourth annual scholarship. For consideration, please read the instructions below that specify detail information that must be completed and submitted to WGLB or postmarked by **April 30, 2026**

WGLB offers scholarship to qualified Milwaukee County and surrounding area high school seniors.



Apply Today!

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Academic good standing (GPA Minimum 2.3)
- Milwaukee County and surrounding area high school senior, full-time status in an accredited high school
- Declared intention to enroll in a four-year accredited college or university, two-year community college or accredited business or vocational school
- Two letters of recommendation (original letter/signature required). Such letters of recommendation may come from one of the following: community leader, church or academic leader; a non-profit or profit organization (i.e. place of employment if applicable) or from any leader who is willing to complete a letter of recommendation based upon your services and contributions of one year or more to their organization.
- A 3X5 300 DPI digital (graduation headshot preferred). The photo will not be returned. Cellular phone photos WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED
- Student official transcript with school seal
- Documentation demonstrating extracurricular activities and community service.

STEPS TO APPLY

Qualifying applicants are required to meet the requirements listed below and return all requested documents in one complete package.

- Official Application Sheet
- Official Questionnaire Sheet (with attached essay)
- Photo page
- Parental Consent Form
- Two Recommendation Forms
- Activity Form

Notification of Scholarship Award
The successful applicant will be notified in writing or phone call from the committee.

PLEASE NOTE: We would like to give every application the attention it deserves, so please do not wait until the last minute to obtain the required data. Please email or mail scholarship package to:



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Joel J Kinlow

Joel J Kinlow was born into a large family of 11 children in Pickens, Arkansas. His life began with the odds against him. He was an African American (birth certificate reads Negro) born in the South to a Mother and Father with minimum education.

At an early age, his family moved to Dumas, Arkansas, where he attended public school and worked in the family's farming business. Like his Father, Joel was born to be an entrepreneur. Whenever he was not in school or assisting his Father on the farm, Joel would work for a local newspaper, *The Grit*, and during his free time selling various food items; such as candy, watermelons, and bakery. Shortly after graduating from high school and serving in the military, he was employed by American Motors and Allis Chambers. He was the first African American route salesman for The Coca-Cola Company in the city of Milwaukee. Eventually, he decided to establish his own business. He refused to let anyone define him; instead, with God, he determined his goals.

With no formal degree, this Dumas Colored School graduate became a brilliant, formidable, and well-respected businessman in the state of Wisconsin. In 1965, he opened Kinlow Laundry & Dry Cleaning and operated that business until 1974. He decided to open Kinlow Real Estate Investments, successfully owning more than 35 properties in the Milwaukee Area.

He began a nine-year process of fulfilling requirements to build his television station from the ground up. His persistence and hard work paid off. In 1990, the doors of WJJA TV-49 opened. However, his ultimate dream was to bring 24-hour Gospel music to Milwaukee. In May of 1995, he purchased WGLB AM 1560 and WGLB FM 100.1. He changed the format to all Gospel music in August 1996 for AM 1560 while simultaneously establishing other successful media ventures in the South. Joel was also the proprietor of Children's Trinity Day Care, Dollar J Store, and WGLB Records in Milwaukee, WI.

Joel always surpassed what was expected of him, despite what some may deem limitations, his place of birth, education, and lack of formal industry or corporate experience. In keeping with his Biblical upbringing and personal convictions, Joel was also Pastor Kinlow, serving as a pastor for over 35 years under the Church Of God In Christ, Inc.

In keeping with Joel's legacy, Joel left behind his widow, four children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. The WGLB Scholarship in his memory was established in 2016 after Pastor Kinlow's transition. This scholarship was created to assist individuals, such as Pastor Kinlow, who desire to receive a secondary education.

*Please note Parents will not be notified. Any missing information will lead to disqualification. You have 72 hours to acknowledge receipt of award. We highly recommend typing, because we will not be responsible for reading errors due to penmanship.



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Official Application Sheet

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Age</u>

<u>Address</u>	<u>City, State</u>	<u>Zip Code</u>

<u>Day Telephone</u>	<u>Evening Telephone</u>

<u>Parent(s) / Guardian(s)</u>	<u>Parent(s) / Guardian(s)</u>

<u>Student Email</u>	<u>Parent Email</u>

<u>High School</u>	<u>Graduation Date</u>	<u>Cumulative Grade Point</u>

<u>College / University Interest #1</u>	<u>Have you been accepted?</u>	<u>Study Interest</u>

<u>College / University Interest #2</u>	<u>Have you been accepted?</u>	<u>Study Interest</u>

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* Please attach copies of any acceptance letters from the institutions mentioned above.



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High School Activities (Extracurricular / Sports / Clubs. Etc...)

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Years Involved</u>	<u>Offices Held / Honors / Recognition / Duties</u>

Out of School Activities

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Years Involved</u>	<u>Offices Held / Honors / Recognition / Duties</u>

Community Involvement

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Years Involved</u>	<u>Offices Held / Honors / Recognition / Duties</u>



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Official Questionnaire / Essay Sheet

Please print clearly or type your responses in the space provided below or on a separate page with the same questions as headers.

List five short term goals and five long-term goals (Personal, educations or career oriented)

<u>Short Term</u>	<u>Long Term</u>

What would you consider to be your strengths?

What would you consider to be your weaknesses?



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Write an autobiographical sketch. How would you describe your life being like Joel J Kinlow?
Please note: **ONE** page essay must reflect topic provided, or your application may be disqualified.

PHOTO PAGE

Please attach a photograph of yourself on this page
Any size wallet or larger is appropriate
A 3X5 300 DPI digital (graduation headshot preferred).
The photo will not be returned.
Cellular phone photos **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**



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Nominee: _____

This form must be submitted as part of the Scholarship packet and must be postmarked by

Parental Consent Form

(To be completed by Parent or Guardian, If the applicant is under 18 years of age)

Name:

Child's Name:

Relation:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Without expiration, I hereby give consent for my child to apply for the WGLB Scholarship in Memory of Joel J Kinlow, as well as my photo, video, and/or all pertinent documentation to be used at the discretion of WGLB and its subsidiaries for educational and promotional uses.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

For applicants 18 years or older

Without expiration, I hereby consent to applying for the WGLB Scholarship in Memory of Joel J Kinlow, as well as my photo, video, and/or all pertinent documentation to be used at the discretion of WGLB and its subsidiaries for educational and promotional uses.

Applicant: _____ Date: _____



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Letter of Recommendation Guideline

Each candidate must have at least two letters of recommendation forms completed (original letter/signature should be submitted; copies not accepted). The letters of recommendation may be completed by a community leader, church or academic leader; a non-profit or profit organization (i.e. place of employment if applicable), or from any leader who is willing to complete a recommendation form based on your services of one year or more regarding your contributions to their organization.

Suggested topics to be included within the letter:

- Ability to organize and use time wisely
- Desire to learn new things
- Ability to work well with others
- Emotional maturity
- Leadership
- Growth potential
- Proactive and self-directed
- Motivation
- Personal initiative
- Reaction to setbacks
- Energy
- Self-confidence
- Concern for others

Recommended by: _____

Address: _____

City / State / Zip Code: _____

Relationship: _____

Telephone number: _____