

"I know I'm going to be alright"

God gave Nathaniel Wayne Sweat life on January 27, 1987 and God sent His Angels to get him on August 5th, 1997. Nathan, or Nate as he was affectionately called, was diagnosed on March 9, 1987 with Biliary Atresia and the prognosis was he would not live to see his first birthday. With a lot of prayer and faith from relatives, friends and others from around the country, Nathan lived to be 10 ½ years old. He had 11 surgeries and never lost his will to live.

The Nathaniel Sweat Memorial will be given annually in the Summer. Applications are to be turned in by July 15th, of the calendar year they are to be awarded. They will be awarded for the Fall Semester.

Scholarships will not be awarded in the form of a check, but payment will be sent to the student's school by the start of the fall semester.

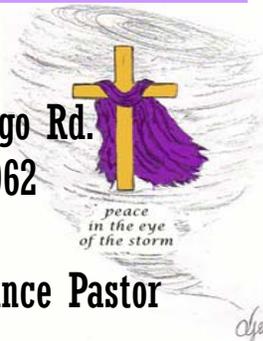
Each year the student will need to apply by, July 15th for the upcoming year. (by submitting this application) to receive that year's award.

The "Scholarship Guidelines" as outlined, have to be meet each year for the student to be awarded. If guidelines are not meet for that year, the student can apply the next year once they meet the guidelines.

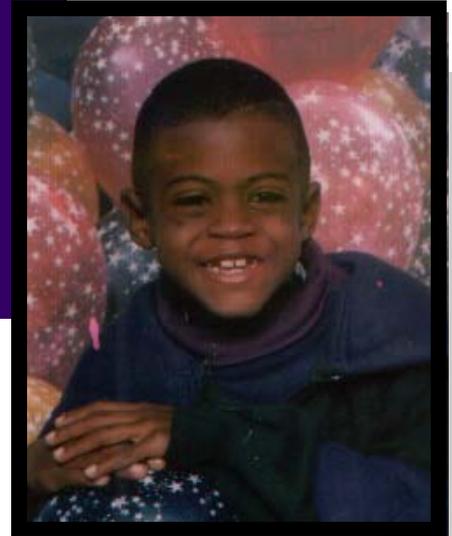
Submit the completed application to the church via mail, email, or give to any usher during Sunday service.

Bethel A.M.E. Church

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Rev. Mallory Tarrance Pastor



Nathaniel Sweat



Memorial Scholarship

“Mr. Personality”

Nathan was the typical little boy, yet very courageous, daring, outgoing, energetic, fun loving, kind, caring, and VERY active, even though he had a “sick liver.” He was an active member of Bethel A.M.E. church and the Angel Notes Choir. He played basketball, soccer, and wrestled for Hamilton Heights Elementary School. He was a Boy Scout and earned a red belt in Tae Kwon Do.

Nathan was put on the transplant list a second time 2/1/96. Nate was the 1996 African American Organ Donor Poster Child. We were told if he did not receive a liver within 18 months he would not survive. As usual, Nate surpassed that time frame by four days. When Nate knew he needed a transplant, he often said with a 10-year-old’s logic “I do not want anyone to die so I can live.” He was an “Angel.” Most people Nate came in contact with felt he was wise beyond his years because it seemed Nate knew he was here on earth for a short time and God had work for him to do. In his short lifetime, he touched many people, both young and old, with his strong faith and the will to survive. No matter what Nate went through he always said, in his sweet little high pitched voice, “I know I’m going to be alright,” and he is truly alright NOW!

Nathaniel Sweat Memorial Scholarship

Was developed to provide support to those who dream to achieve an educational goal. We feel that it is not only our Christian duty to support those in our church that want to further their education, but to keep Nathan’s dream alive, through the struggle, success and victory in the end. Education is the key, and through this scholarship, opportunities will be turned into success stories.

Scholarship Guidelines:

1. Active member of Bethel AME for ONE year
2. Must serve in some capacity, Active in some organization or group within the church. (Sunday School, Bible Study, Voices of Promise, Usher Board, ect.)
3. Must be visible and in good standing, with the church and the community
4. Must be a senior in high school or currently enrolled in a 2 year or 4 year college. Official Transcripts required First Bachelors Degree or Associate Degree Participant
5. Must be enrolled in a degreed program or accredited vocational school
6. Must carry a “C” average with at least a 2.3 GPA
7. Cannot already be awarded a full scholarship
8. Maximum scholarship given per student per year is \$700
9. Amount could change at discretion of committee
10. Non-traditional students will not be eligible for scholarships, but one time gift may be given
11. Must participate in scholarship fundraisers

Application:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Phone: _____

Parent’s Name: _____

School you plan to attend / or presently attending : _____

Field of Study: _____

Return completed application and transcripts to:

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