Please Return To:
Texas Christian University
Office of Scholarships and Student Financial Aid
TCU Box 297012
Fort Worth, TX 76129
Phone (817)257-7858
Fax (817)257-7462

Church Vocation Conditional Loan

APPLICATION DUE DATE: May 1 **DATE** _____

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Name TCU Student ID NO.

Please indicate the Academic Year for which you are applying (example: 2009-2010) _____

Do you intend to file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? _____Yes _____ No

Anticipated Hours of Enrollment: _____ Fall _____ Spring

Required Major/Minor: _____ Religion Major _____ Religion Minor _____ Church Music Major

FIRST-TIME APPLICANTS: 1) Submit an essay (approx. 500 words) reflecting your theological development and your understanding of your commitment to a full-time career in ministry. 2) Have the minister and chair of the board of your church complete the certification document below.

RENEWAL APPLICANTS: 1) Submit an essay in which you identify ways in which you have grown in your theological understanding as well as your understanding of your own commitment to a vocation in full-time ministry. 2) Repeat the certification process below.

MINISTER'S/CHURCH'S CERTIFICATION

Texas Christian University awards financial assistance to students, regardless of denomination, preparing for a full-time career in ministry. The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) provides funds. Limited funds make it imperative that the applicant's home church assumes responsibility for determining his or her worthiness of this support. Please certify that this applicant is worthy to receive a Church Vocation Award for the upcoming academic year.

We certify that _____ is worthy of consideration for the assistance which Texas Christian University may be able to provide through the Church Vocation Award Program. We have counseled with this applicant and are satisfied that his or her goal is a full-time career in ministry. We have reviewed the academic progress of the applicant and think that his or her record justifies such an investment by the Christian Church and Texas Christian University.

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Signature of Senior Minister Date

_____
Signature of Chair of the Board Date

Church _____

Street Address _____

City/State _____ Zip Code _____

Recipients of the Church Vocation Conditional Loan will be contacted nine months after graduation. Those recipients who are enrolled in a program of graduate theological education OR who are employed full-time in a church will have ¼ of their loan amount forgiven. The process will be continued annually until the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid declare the loan completely forgiven or payments resumed.

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TCU Religion Department Date