

*Mary Help of Christians Women's Club  
Eighth Grade Stewardship Award*



*John 13:14  
Jesus said to his disciples:  
"So if I your Lord and Teacher  
have washed your feet, you also are  
to wash each other's feet.  
For I have set you an example, that  
you also should do as I have done  
for you."*

**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS WOMEN'S CLUB  
EIGHTH GRADE STEWARDSHIP AWARD APPLICATION**

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## **1. Overview**

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The Women's Club wants to recognize you for following the example set by Jesus. God made each of us a steward and has given us abilities and talents that are unique to us. When we use our talent and our time to serve God and one another, we express back to God the love he shows for us in Jesus Christ.

Three eighth grade students will receive awards for exemplifying good stewardship by having given generously of their time and talent to Mary Help of Christians Church and their community throughout their 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. The awards will include plaques to be presented at Mass and a small monetary gift.

### **Eligibility:**

- You must be an eighth grade student – at any school.
- You must be an active member of Mary Help of Christians Church.

### **Evaluation Criteria:**

- Quality and quantity of community and church service — 70%
- Essay — 30%

### **Procedure:**

1. Complete the "General Information" portion of the application.
2. Using the "Parish Involvement" and "Volunteer Work" forms, list the ways in which you have shared your time and talent during your 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Provide the approximate number of hours you gave to these activities. (examples: Altar Served 1 x month for 2 years, helped on Land Stewardship committee every Saturday for 6 months, sang in the church children's choir for holidays, tutored a fellow classmate 1 hour a week, volunteered in the hospital, etc)
3. Write an essay of approximately 75 to 100 words explaining how you are using your God-given abilities and talents to follow the example set by Jesus. Describe why you chose the services that you do and how they make you feel.
4. Sign the "Parent and Applicant Acknowledgment."
5. **Return the application and essay in a sealed envelope to the Women's Club mailbox in the church office by April 16, 2015.**

Thank you for your service and for following the example set by Jesus.

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**2. General Information**

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Name:

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Date of Birth:

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E-mail address:

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Home Address:

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Phone Number:

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Parents' Names:

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School presently attending:

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**5. Essay**

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Use this space to write your essay or attach a separate typed page. In approximately 75-100 words, describe how you are using your God-given talents and abilities to follow the example set by Jesus. How do you feel performing the services that you have chosen?

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**6. Parent and Applicant Acknowledgement**

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I affirm that the information I have provided is true to the best of my knowledge. I attest that the essay was written by me without assistance from anyone.

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Student Signature

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Parent Signature