

## THE B. W. HARRIS EPISCOPAL SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

## **OVERVIEW**

The B W Harris Alumni Association-USA (BWHAA) has been generous in giving back to her Alma Mater in Liberia through various initiatives. Prominent amongst them is the awarding of scholarships and stipends to deserving students every year. Since the inception of the association in the United States of America in 1992, the association has undertaken many fundraising programs through the numerous local state chapters, and the funds generated have been used to provide support in various forms at the B. W. Harris Episcopal High School (BWHES) in Monrovia, Liberia.

As part of its commitment to our Alma Mater, the USA chapters of the B.W. Harris Alumni Association, developed a scholarship program to help local high school students pursue an education which is broad in scope, excellent in quality, and inclusive of the disciplines. The scholarship program was named "The Edward G.W. King Scholarship Program" in honor of the late principal of B. W. Harris High School, Rev. Edward G.W. King, Sr. Many students believed that "Father King" as he was affectionately called by his many students, instilled togetherness and instituted a strong Spartan spirit amongst students during his tenure as principal.

The type of scholarships offered is based on Merit and Need. Students who demonstrate leadership skills, academic achievement, and financial need, are eligible. The scholarship is directed to those students who have demonstrated overall scholastic excellence and are financially deprived.

Awards are made annually to students, who currently have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0. Students must also demonstrate financial need and be dedicated to and have participated in extracurricular activities that benefit other students and the school, as well as demonstrating good moral conduct. To date the Association has awarded 23 scholarships to eligible students for the academic year 2014/2015. The Scholarship program hopes to significantly increase the number of scholarships in the future.